

Gator Piss Etching Instructions :



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(All instructions based on a etchant temp of 65-75 degrees)
(Any cooler and etching will take longer)

- Start with a surface finish of 600 grit minimum! 800-1000 preferred (Higher you go, the higher luster you'll have in the final finish. If you have a solid core you need to darken, 600 grit recommended)
- Degrease with Brake Cleaner
- Place steel into Gator Piss and watch for any streaks (If streaks appear immediately pull steel from etchant and scrub with a plastic bristled brush, or repeat step one) (If streaks are not present leave in the piss for about 20 minutes)
- Repeat this process as needed for desired etched depth and contrast (Enough to catch a finger nail)
** Note, if you're blade has a solid cladding or core that you're trying to blacken evenly, the be sure to leave the blade in the mix for the full 20 min each cycle. And it may take up to 3-4 dips to achieve that even black color**
- If you find areas not etching properly, take blade out and neutralize. Then buff with a fine rouge on a loose cloth buffing wheel or hit with 2500 grit paper. Then repeat degrease and etching steps.
- Once you have pulled the steel from its final etch, immediately neutralize acid in blade with a neutralizing agent such as windex or submerse in a baking soda bath.
- Rinse and spray with oil (wd40 or such)
- Let oxides set for a minimum of 6 hours in a dry location before touching the steel again
- Oil and wipe for final luster

Want to see this process demonstrated in a video? Head on over to our website www.gatorpiss.shop and click on the "How To" Video. Or checkout our Baker Forge & Tool YouTube channel