



VINTAGE Art LF

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

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Introduction

Thank you for purchasing our VINTAGE Art LF porcelain stains. Please read this user's manual carefully before use to attain maximum benefits of this product. Kindly keep this manual for your future reference.

VINTAGE Art LF low fusing fluorescent porcelain stains are designed to realize the internal and external modification of shades for all porcelain materials. Even the ready to use Glazing Paste is fluorescent and supports a lifelike color impression. In a very simple way, the reproduction of every natural teeth characteristics can be created with a vital appearance in the laboratory and dental office.

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1 Notes on Use

1-1. Notes

- (1) Keep away from flame or ignition source.
- (2) Wear protective glasses while grinding and polishing this product to avoid damage to your eyes.
- (3) Use local dust extractor, dust protective mask, etc while grinding this product to avoid harmful influence of the dust on the human body.
- (4) Do not mix this product with other stain products.
- (5) VINTAGE Art LF must only be used for the intended purpose.
- (6) VINTAGE Art LF must only be used by dental professionals.

1-2. Important Notes

- (1) If allergic reactions occur such as eruption or skin inflammation while using this product, discontinue use immediately and seek medical advice.
- (2) Avoid contacting soft tissues, skin or eyes. In case of eye contact, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

2 Characteristics

2-1. Compatible with various Dental Ceramic Materials

VINTAGE Art LF low fusing paste stains can be used with various dental ceramic materials, such as lithium disilicate, press ceramics, zirconia / alumina based restorations, CAD/CAM porcelain blocks and PFM porcelain systems.

2-2. Easy to use Paste Stains

Due to the ultra-fine particle structures, the ready to use paste stains have excellent handling and application properties as well as superb covering characteristics. The appliance of a thin layer can easily be done from beginners to experienced ceramists.

2-3. Wide Variety of Colors and Shades (23 colors + Glazing Paste)

The VINTAGE Art LF stain concept consists of primary stain colors (Pink, Blue and Yellow), secondary stain colors (Orange, Green and Violet), and shade stain colors (Shade Stains). In total 23 colors are available to meet the requirements of various aesthetic restorations. The complicated mixing is not necessary, which makes the application work much easier.

2-4. Fluorescence

VINTAGE Art LF porcelain stains are fluorescent stains which match the fluorescence of natural dentition and enhance the vitality of the ceramic restorations.



3 System Components

Effect Set

(17 colors + Glazing Paste)

- Glazing Paste (5 g)
Pink, Rose-Pink, Corn-Yellow, Blue-Gray, Gray, Orange, Violet, Wine-Red, Vanilla, White, Orange-Brown, Black-Brown, Khaki, A-Shade, B-Shade, C-Shade, D-Shade (3 g each)
VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid 50 ml
- Color Card
- Instructions

Refills

(23 colors + Glazing Paste)

Glazing Paste (5 g)
Pink, Yellow, Blue, Orange, Violet, Green, Black, White, Dark-Red
Brown, Brown, Orange-Brown, Black-Brown, Khaki, Gray, Blue-Gray,
Corn-Yellow, Rose-Pink, Wine-Red, Vanilla, A-Shade A, B-Shade, C-Shade, D-Shade
(3 g each)
VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid 50 ml

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4 Indications for Use

4-1. Colors and Indications

	Color		Shade adjustment	Use example				
	Shade	Code		Cervical	Incisal	Proximal	Gingival shade	Stain
1	Glazing Paste	GP						
2	Pink	P	○				○	
3	Yellow	Y		○				
4	Blue	Bl			○			
5	Orange	O	○	○		○	○	
6	Violet	V	○		○		○	
7	Green	Gr						○
8	Black	B			○	○		
9	White	W			○			
10	Dark-Red Brown	DR-Br		○		○		○
11	Brown	Br		○				○
12	Orange-Brown	O-Br		○				○
13	Black-Brown	B-Br		○				○
14	Khaki	K	○	○		○		○
15	Gray	G			○			
16	Blue-Gray	Bl-G	○		○			
17	Corn-Yellow	CY		○				
18	Rose-Pink	RP	○	○			○	
19	Wine-Red	WR		○			○	
20	Vanilla	Vn	○		○			
21	A Shade	AS	○	○				
22	B Shade	BS	○	○				
23	C Shade	CS	○	○				
24	D Shade	DS	○	○				

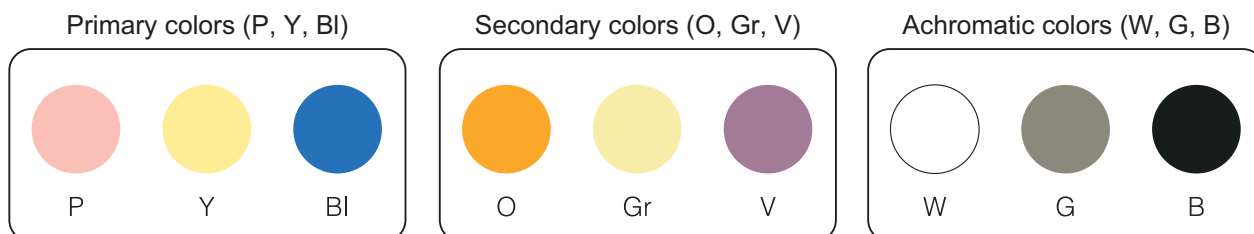


4-2. Color Concept

The color concept of the VINTAGE Art LF system is logically structured in three main color groups.

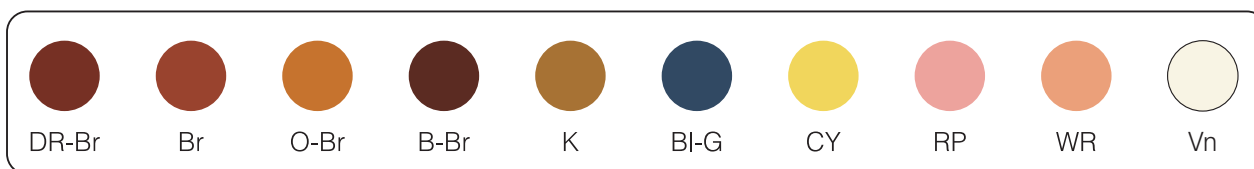
1. Base Color Stains

The aesthetic color concept includes primary colors, secondary colors and achromatic colors.



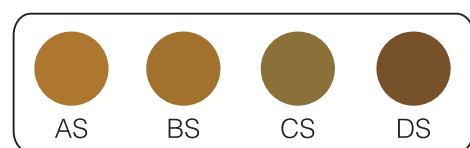
2. Color Stains

Based on these shades all individual colors and color adjustments can be achieved for the reproduction of every individual tooth characteristic.



3. Shade Stains (AS, BS, CS, DS)

The coloration in the desired shade group of finished Lithium disilicate, milled, pressed or layered porcelains can be obtained just by a surface application with these stains. These shades offer unique possibilities for obtaining three-dimensionally with metal-free and metal-bonded porcelain works. This can be achieved by direct application of a thin layer on the Opaque or Liner.



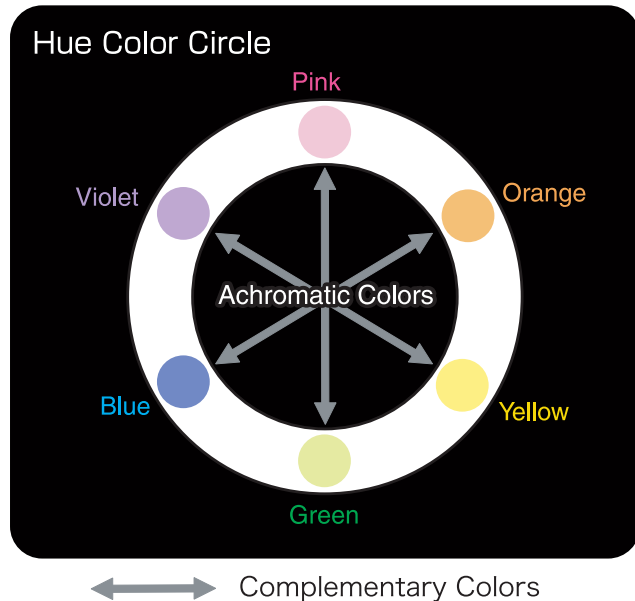
4-3. Examples for Use

Hint

Please mix the Paste Stains well with a plastic spatula before usage. If an adjustment of the viscosity is needed, please add a small quantity of Stain Liquid according to the personal requirements. Moisten the grinded and cleaned surface with a thin layer of VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid, apply the Paste Stains pure or mixed and fire according to the firing schedule. The viscosity of the fluorescent Glazing Paste can be modified as well by mixing with VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid.

1. Base Color and Hue Color Circle

The above hue color circle displays the primary colors such as Pink, Yellow and Blue. Between the primary colors the secondary colors are located. In the center of the hue color circle there are the achromatic colors. The opposing colors of the hue color circle are called "complementary colors" and are neutralizing each other, which means that when mixed in equal quantities opposing shades turn gray. This is based on the subtractive color mixing theory.



Achromatic colors such as White, Gray and Black can be used for the adjustment of brightness (value). In addition Gray and Black can reduce the light reflection by applying on the surface of Opaque Porcelain or Opaque Liner. If White is mixed adequately, adjustment of opacity is possible.

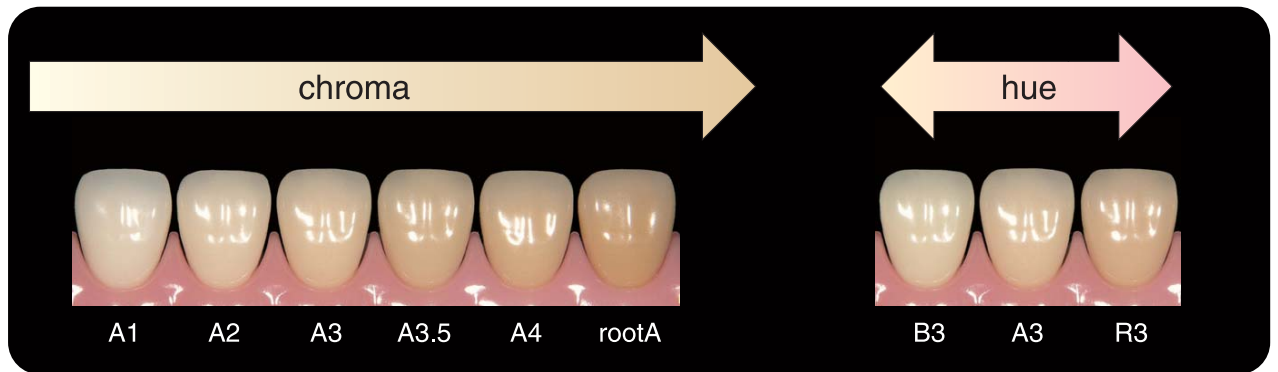
2. External Adjustment of Shades

By mixing the colors in different quantities the intensity of the hue color increases and the value is reduced. By utilizing complementary colors, for example, if the Green tone should be reduced, reddis color as the complementary color of Green can be applied to adjust the tooth shade.



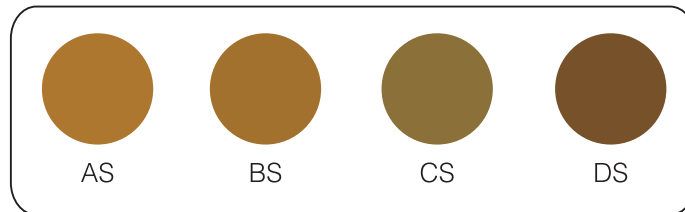
3. Recommended Stains for the Shade adjustment (chroma and hue)

Shade Stains are recommended for the shade adjustment of finished ceramic restorations.



Shade Stains (AS, BS, CS, DS)

They should be applied on the porcelain surface to adjust the chroma and hue of the shade.



Example: In order to make strong A Shade, AS (A-Shade) is applied.

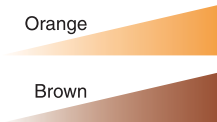


Hint Since Shade D4 has a different hue, an appropriate amount of B-Shade shall be mixed with D-Shade.

4. Outer Staining

Interproximal, cervical and occlusal applications (ridges, fissures and cusps)

To create an individual occlusal surface, Orange and Brown can be applied thinly to the centre of the occlusal area. Dark-Red-Brown can be placed in the fissure by using a very small brush. The cusps can be emphasized with White, Orange or Blue. For interproximal and cervical areas, Shade Stains or Khaki can be selected depending on the clinical case.



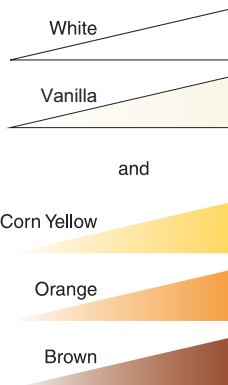
Adjustment of occlusal center



Adjustment of pits and fissures

Shade application of white bands and decalcifications

To create white or bright bands or decalcification areas, White, Vanilla or Corn Yellow can be used individually or mixed with a brush or a fine instrument. A 1:1 mixture is often required. It is also possible to stain these effects internally after the first firing of body.



White band

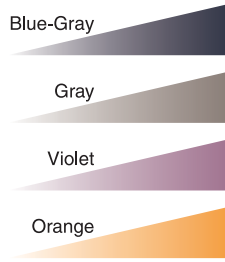


Decalcification



Shade application on the incisal area (adjustment of translucency)

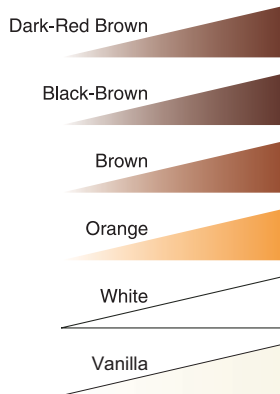
To intensify the translucency of the incisal area and to adjust the light reflection, Blue-Gray, Gray, Violet or Orange can be thinly applied palatally. The frontal application of Paste Stains creates a stronger coloration.



Adjustment of cervical translucency

Applications of stains, hair lines and crack lines

Strong staining and discoloration – such as experienced by smokers and tea drinkers can be accurately reproduced with Dark-Red-Brown, Black-Brown or Brown with a small brush. To create hair lines, Dark-Red Brown, Black-Brown or Brown are recommended. The thickness, length or position of the lines is adjusted with a clean brush by eliminating excess of stain materials. Crack lines can be also created by using White / Vanilla or a mixture of White and Orange instead of Brown.



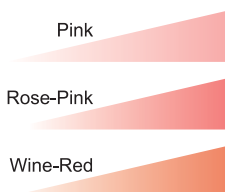
Hair line crack



Staining of nicotine or food

Shade application of reddish gum effects on the cervical area

The shade of the cervical area of natural teeth is slightly reddish because of the reflecting gum color. Fine adjustment for reddish gum effects on the cervical areas can be achieved by using Pink, Rose-Pink or Wine Red. Pink, Rose-Pink or Wine-Red are designed gum colors used to enhance the reddish appearance on the cervical area.



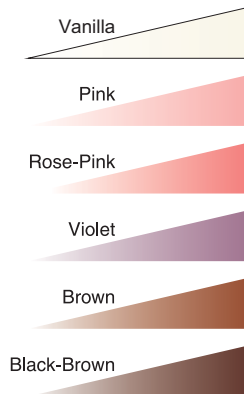
Natural teeth



Image of cervical shade

Staining of gingiva porcelain

Especially for implant supported restorations the stain colors Vanilla, Pink, Rose-Pink or Violet are recommended for creating individual gum colors. Brown and Black-Brown are also used to create melanin discoloration or gingival sulcus.



Adjustment of gum color

Staining of lithium disilicate, press ceramic and CAD / CAM crowns

Any required color adjustment and natural individualisation after pressing or milling can be achieved with VINTAGE Art LF Stains.

- Basic shades with stains AS or BS
- Enamel effects with Blue-Gray, White / Vanilla and Gray
- Cervical effects with Khaki, Brown, Orange-Brown or Dark-Red Brown



Lithium disilicate restoration after divesting



Contour the final form and clean briefly with Al_2O_3



Individualize with VINTAGE Art LF stains and perform an outer porcelain staining firing



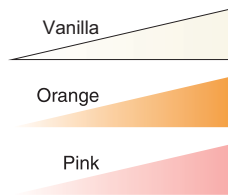
Then apply VINTAGE Art LF Glazing Paste and perform an outer glazing firing



5. Inner Staining

Designing of mamelon shapes and adjustment of translucency

If the mamelon structure is clearly expressed, Vanilla, Orange or Pink can be applied onto the mamelon structure for reducing the dominance.



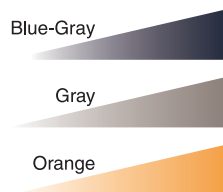
Adjustment of mamelon structure



Emphasized mamelon structure

Shade application on the incisal area (adjustment of translucency)

To intensify the translucency of the incisal area and to adjust the light reflexion, Blue-Gray, Gray, Violet or Orange can be thinly applied palatally. The frontal application of Paste Stains creates a stronger coloration.



Adjustment of translucency

Note

- (1) Use clean spatula or brush to dispense this material from the container. Water should be eliminated completely from the spatula or the brush before use. Entrapping water causes air bubbles.
- (2) Dispense necessary amount of paste and stain liquid. Do not put remaining material back into the container.
- (3) Stain paste must be mixed with clean spatula before dispensing on the palette or glass slab. Close the cap tightly immediately after dispensing.
- (4) Use VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid to adjust the viscosity of the paste. Do not use water or other mixing liquid.
- (5) Use the materials immediately after dispensing.
- (6) Do not touch the material with bare hands.

5 Firing Schedule

For use of inner porcelain staining

Drying (°C)	Drying (min.)	Vacuum Start (°C)	Inc. Temp. (°C / min.)	Final Temp. (°C)	Vacuum End (°C)	Hold (min.)
450	5	-	50-60	715	-	0

For use of outer porcelain staining

Drying (°C)	Drying (min.)	Vacuum Start (°C)	Inc. Temp. (°C / min.)	Final Temp. (°C)	Vacuum End (°C)	Hold (min.)
450	5	-	50-60	760	-	0.5

For use of outer glazing of lithium disilicate

Drying (°C)	Drying (min.)	Vacuum Start (°C)	Inc. Temp. (°C / min.)	Final Temp. (°C)	Vacuum End (°C)	Hold (min.)
450	5	-	50-60	770	-	1.0

Note

Depending on the type of porcelain furnace, the firing temperature varies, so a test firing is recommended before usage.

6 Troubleshooting

Porcelain	Trouble	Cause	Solution
Stain	Crack on stain surface	Layer is too thick	Apply thin layer
	Bubbles	Layer is too thick	Apply thin layer
		Drying temperature is too high	Dry with appropriate temperature
		Drying time is too short	Dry with appropriate time
		Firing temperature is too high	Fire with appropriate temperature
		Firing tray temperature is too high	Place firing tray at least 2-3 minutes after firing stage is open
		Contamination of application surface	Clean the abrasive dust with sandblasting machine
		Contamination of Stain Liquid with water	Avoid contamination with water (for cleaning of the brush the use of Stain Liquid is necessary)
		Stain is not in smooth condition	Mix well with a spatula before usage
	Drying of stain	Cap was not sealed tightly and liquid evaporated	Add VINTAGE Art LF Stain Liquid and mix well
Porcelain	Cracking of porcelain	Layer is too thick	Apply with thin layer and fire
	Bubbles in porcelain	Layer is too thick and bubbles are included	Apply with thin layer and fire
	Lifting of porcelain due to shrinkage	Firing temperature is too high	If the stain surface is too shiny, select a lower temperature so that the stain surface does not get a shiny surface (lower the temperature)
	White discoloration of porcelain	Porcelain is contaminated by Stain Liquid	Stain is applied after firing of porcelain (Stain Liquid consists of organic elements and it should not be mixed with porcelain powder, as it is difficult to evaporate)



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