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ABOUT ACID ETCHED GLASS

Acid etched glass is a durable finish created when a glass surface has been etched with hydrofluoric acid to create a pattern that is easy to keep clean and attractive to look at and touch. This finish will not peel or erode.

HISTORY: Acid etched glass was originally popular around the late 19th, early 20th centuries, but the design range now extends from traditional Victorian styles right through to modern examples. This glass is as suitable for authentic villa and other restorations as it is for new homes.

USES: Acid etched glass has a variety of exterior and interior uses - front doors, sidelights, mirrors, furniture, kitchen cupboards, showers, bathroom privacy, partitions, boat windows with names, and any other glass surface.

The sheet designs are screen printed which allows for very delicate artwork, while the door panels, fonts, pictures and individual border designs are computer cut and can be adjusted to suit size and shape.

CLEANING: Cleaning is the same as for any other glass, proprietary cleaners, weak detergent, however **NO ABRASIVES**.

FONTS: Where inscriptions are required, such as for house and boat names, please specify which side it is to be viewed from ie, the smooth or the etched side.

TYPES OF GLASS: Acid etching can be done on most thicknesses of glass, also on toughened, laminated, coloured, mirrored and obscure glass. Weka Glass normally supplies the glass, unless there are special requirements. A **TEMPLATE** is necessary for non standard shapes, cutouts and drilled holes.



SIZES: Although Weka Glass does carry some stock sheets, 1200 * 610 and 920 * 460, most acid etched glass is made to order. As this is a hand made product, there are size limitations. For larger sizes, please contact Weka Glass to make sure it is possible to fulfill your order. There may be an extra oversize fee.

DELIVERY: Weka Glass provides free delivery within Auckland. For the rest of New Zealand the order is couriered to your door in a wooden crate as cheaply as possible.

ACID ETCHED FINISHES: There are several different finishes available in acid etched glass. Some of these can be combined to give extra effects.

WHITE ACID FINISH

This is the most commonly used etched glass where the design surface is frosted. Many designs can be done both as a negative (clear design on a frosted background) or as a positive (frosted design on a clear background). Plain frosting all over is also popular.

FRENCH EMBOSSED

This is where the glass has been double etched for privacy, which makes it very suitable for bathrooms. The background is frosted and the design is an embossed raised pattern. It is available in any Weka Glass pattern.

SEMI CLEAR ETCH

The design here is also embossed and raised, but the background is semi clear and the design is totally clear. It is available in any Weka Glass pattern.

FLASHED GLASS

This is a hand made glass where coloured glass has been flashed (or bonded) onto a clear glass. A design is etched away in the colour to leave a clear pattern surrounded by the coloured glass. This traditional finish is especially popular for the corners of multipane doors of villas.

