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SHELLAC VARNISH

DESCRIPTION:

Shellac varnish is a solution of shellac in ethanol (at least 95%) used to apply a protective or sealing, and often glossy and bright, coating to a surface, such as wood.

Polishing is the application of the polish on wood so that a thin, shiny film arises. A cotton cloth is used to rub the liquid on the wood. The ethanol evaporates quickly, so that in a short time several layers can be applied in succession. Sometimes powdered pumice is used to fill the wood pores, and mineral oils to make the rubbing process easier. Finishing the wood with a polish increases the depth of the wood grain (chatoyance-effect). On the other hand, it is labour-intensive to apply and the polish is not resistant to heat (>60°C), alcohol or long exposure to water.

COLORS:

We have the following colors:

- ✓ Shellac varnish Astra, blonde and bright;
- ✓ Shellac varnish Bona, light brown and clear;
- ✓ Shellac varnish Komet, dark brown and clear;
- ✓ Shellac varnish Lemon I, orange, waxed;
- ✓ White shellac varnish, light yellow, waxed.

WORK METHOD:

- ✓ **Preparation of substrate:** Must be dry, clean and free of old dirty wax layers.
- ✓ **Product preparation:** ready for use.
- ✓ **Application:** with a cotton cloth.
- ✓ **Tool cleaning:** ethanol
- ✓ **Shelf life:** Approximately one year.