

Description: Marius Fabre Black Soap is a traditional, pure vegetable soap, which stays true to the tradition of the original soap made by the Gauls and Romans.

Its natural black color reflects its key ingredient of olive oil.

Black soap is a vital ingredient in the art of fine lime plaster finishes and particularly the traditional plaster originating from Morocco: Tadelakt.

When applied on fresh plaster, the oil comes in contact with the water it was mixed with containing calcium particles.

During polishing, the "fat" penetrates the plaster, deeper and deeper, creating a second skin and naturally fusing with the lime. The chemistry leads to a permanent waterproof, shiny surface.

Instructions:

- Mix 1 part Black Soap with 1 part water. Hot water will help the soap dissolve faster.
- Within 5 hours following the polishing of the surface, apply the soap with a plastic trowel or a dry cloth rubbing over in circular motion without pressure.
- Repeat the process until saturation of the surface.
- If necessary, remove the excess soap with a spatula.
- Polish the surface medium to high sheen.
- Maintain the properties of the soap by re-applying every 6 months.

Other Uses: Natural black soap has many other uses and benefits:

▶ **At Home:** Cleans and shines all surfaces: tile and wood floors; ceramic, plastic, marble, and cement surfaces as well as leather; carpets; Mexican or terra cotta tiles, etc...

Instructions: Do not rinse. Simply apply with a sponge and rub thoroughly.

▶ **In the Kitchen:** Dissolves greasy spots (stoves, cook tops, pots and pans, deep fryers, dishes, tablecloths, napkins, windows).

Instructions: Dilute 3 tablespoons of soap in 1 gallon of very hot water.

▶ **In the Garden:** Effective cleaner for aphid-induced sooty molds and other fungi on leaves and plants.

Instructions: Dilute 2 tablespoons of soap and 5 tablespoons of isopropyl alcohol in 1 quart of water.

▶ **For Animals:** Used as a natural shampoo, this soap can be a gentle cleansing agent for dogs and horses, and an organic cleanser for agricultural breeders.

▶ **For Artists:** Paintbrushes maintain their luster and suppleness with regular black soap cleanings.