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I decided to create this report to help you find out the best etching cream to use and help answer any questions you might have. But, you might be surprised at the results.

Usually, I get hundreds of people asking me each year:

- What is the best brand to use?
- And where can I buy it?

I also will be listing all the known brands that I have seen below. If you find a brand that isn't listed, please email me and let me know. Here are some of the available creams sold with the more recognized brands bolded:

- **Armour Etch**
- **Etch All**
- Martha Stewart Craft's Etching Cream (becoming more popular lately)
- Martronics Professional 30 Second
- Vari-Etch
- McKay Velvet Etching Cream

There are also different types available such as the Bath Etch and Dip type etching cream. The Bath Etch cream is basically made for etching larger surfaces and is better at keeping etches consistent and even. The dip type etch is just a version of the cream which is made for dipping the glass instead of brushing it on. I have not used it before but I imagine the cream is more watery.

Where to Get Them

First off, some local crafts stores have glass etching cream, but if you're like me- you will want to shop online & have it shipped to your home. My favorite place to get stuff is through Amazon and I will include the links below for all the brands.



Armour Etch

<http://glassetchingsecrets.com/armour-amazon>



Etchall

<http://glassetchingsecrets.com/etchall>



Martronics Pro 30 Second

http://glass-etching-kits.com/etching_supplies_orders.htm



Vari-Etch

www.hisglassworks.com/cart/Vari_Etch_Frosting_Cream_p109.html



McKay Velvet Etching Cream

<http://amzn.to/ROyuO6>



Martha Stewart Craft's Etching Cream

<http://amzn.to/1g1kwRs>

<http://amzn.to/1vuNrwT>

What Brand is the Best & My Experiment

If you have worked with etching cream before, you may have realized that the etching is sometimes not very noticeable. So what really is the best brand that produces the most quality and noticeable etching?

According to my experiment, all the brands seem to produce the same quality etching. Yep, I have tried three different brands which are Armour Etch, Etchall, and Glass-Etching-Kits.com's Pro version cream. As you can see below, I tested these 3 cream brands on a scrap piece of glass with the same pattern. They are all labeled by brand and you can see they all look pretty much the same.



What Brand is Best in Terms of Consistency?



The truth is that all the cream products will produce results that are about the same in terms of being **noticeable**. They just don't stand out that well in comparison to other practices that I work with.

However, the overall finish of the results between products can vary when etching larger projects or if you don't ensure the cream is applied consistently with a lot of attention to detail.

Some cream products are indeed more ideal for producing a consistent etch. The **Armour Etch brand** can have a rather grainy texture which can yield rough, blotchy etchings that are inconsistent.



The better brands have a very smooth, consistent texture which spreads like mayonnaise. So far the only smooth cream out of the 3 brands mentioned above that I tested is the **EtchAll brand**.

An email subscriber mentioned this other Martha Stewart Crafts brand to me as a quality, smooth spreading cream. Although I have never tested it, I assume it is similar in quality to the Etchall brand.

I have been discovering a lot of ways to drastically improve the way cream etching looks and recording this in our member's area here:

<http://www.glassetchingsecrets.com/member/module-1/>

If you'd like to sign up, check out the link and become a member because you will learn all about being creative with this hobby and potentially start a business for fun. Right now, you will be able to access videos plus my Glass Etching Secrets ebook.

Other Etching Methods

Etching cream doesn't always produce the most professional etchings, which is why I primarily etch with a sandblaster. You can read more about it here:

<http://www.glassetchingsecrets.com/glasssandblasting.html>

There is another option similar to the etching cream process also which is known as Hydrofluoric Acid etching. This produces professional effects like sandblasting but is extremely dangerous and can easily kill you if your skin comes in contact with it. Read more about this deadly acid etching here: <http://www.glassetchingsecrets.com/acid.html>

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