

# ART OF PRINT

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### Caring for your DiaMount

A DiaMount is a process used in fine art framing and mounting. It involves sealing a photographic print between a sheet of acrylic glass and an aluminum composite backing. The process typically starts with a high-quality print on photo paper, which is then mounted onto the aluminum composite backing using an adhesive. Afterward, the print and aluminum composite are sandwiched between the acrylic glass and an aluminum hanging is applied to the back on the aluminum composite creating structurally sound product for hanging. This process results in a sleek, frameless presentation that protects the print from damage, UV light, and humidity. DiaMount is often used to showcase photographic prints and artworks with a modern, minimalist aesthetic.

### Some general guidelines:

DiaMounts should be cared for in the same way as an original piece of art.

Here are some general handling guidelines:

- **Dust Regularly:** Use a soft, lint-free cloth or a feather duster to remove dust from the surface of the DiaMount. Regular dusting helps prevent the buildup of dirt and grime.
- **Avoid Abrasives:** Do not use abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or rough materials to clean the DiaMount, as they can scratch or damage the surface.
- **Use a Mild Cleaner:** If necessary, lightly dampen a clean, soft cloth with water or a mild, non-abrasive cleaner. Gently wipe the surface of the DiaMount to remove any stubborn dirt or fingerprints.
- **Dry Thoroughly:** After cleaning, use a dry, lint-free cloth to wipe away any excess moisture and ensure the DiaMount is completely dry.
- **Handle with Care:** When handling the DiaMount, avoid placing unnecessary pressure or stress on the edges or corners, as this can cause damage or delamination.
- **Avoid Direct Sunlight:** Display the DiaMount away from direct sunlight or heat sources to prevent discoloration, fading, or warping over time.
- **Protect During Transport:** When transporting or moving the DiaMount, handle it with care and use protective packaging to prevent scratches or damage.
- **Professional Cleaning:** For stubborn stains or extensive cleaning needs, consider consulting a professional art conservator or framing specialist who is experienced in cleaning and maintaining DiaMount artworks.

### Hanging guidelines:

- **Choose a Suitable Location:** Select a location for the DiaMount artwork that is away from direct sunlight, heat sources, and areas with high humidity. Avoid placing it near vents, radiators, or windows where it may be exposed to extreme temperature fluctuations.
- **Ensure Proper Support:** Use appropriate hanging hardware that can support the weight of the DiaMount artwork. Consider using correct nails or cleats for secure mounting.
- **Measure Carefully:** Use a tape measure and level to accurately measure the desired placement of the artwork on the wall. Mark the location for hanging hardware to ensure proper alignment.
- **Use Multiple Hanging Points:** For larger DiaMount pieces, consider using multiple hanging points to distribute the weight evenly and prevent sagging or tilting.
- **Check Wall Studs:** If possible, anchor the hanging hardware into wall studs for added stability and support. Use a stud finder to locate studs behind the drywall before installing hardware.
- **Secure Hanging Hardware:** Once the hanging hardware is installed, carefully hang the DiaMount artwork on the wall. Ensure that it is securely attached and does not wobble or tilt.
- **Consider Professional Installation:** If you are unsure about hanging the DiaMount artwork yourself or if it is particularly large or heavy, consider hiring a professional art installer or framing specialist to ensure it is securely mounted and properly displayed.

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