



## CREATE THE ILLUSION OF FRESH CLEAR WATER WITH CLEAR ELEGANCE.



*The professional designer look of real flowers in a long lasting, maintenance free arrangement.*

### INSTRUCTIONS & HELPFUL HINTS

1. This product is for professional use only, please read all material safety data information prior to use. To request copies of material safety data information, please call (713) 943-8451 or log on to [www.clearelegance.com](http://www.clearelegance.com).
2. Your arrangements will be permanent. We recommend using clear glass vases. Select a vase with a flat bottom wide enough to support your arrangement without tipping over. *Clear Elegance* is a permanent application. Do not use anything irreplaceable in your arrangement.
3. The quality and color stability of synthetic floral stems will vary among manufacturers. Some stems (particularly dark green and red) may "bleed" over long periods of time, creating a greenish or brownish tint to the cured *Clear Elegance* arrangement. *Clear Elegance* is formulated to resist color bleeding with most floral stems. You may test the color stability of your stems by preparing a small sample arrangement and observing for color bleed over several weeks. If you are using stems, which are known to bleed, you must apply clear coat or clear sealer to the stems. Allow full drying of clear coat before use in *Clear Elegance* arrangements. Most solvent-based aerosol clear coats will work i.e. Krylon or other brands of spray clear coating. We cannot be held responsible for the colorfast performance of the floral materials used in your arrangements. You must also seal porous materials like wood, stone or dried flower stems. Escaping air or moisture will cause bubbles during the curing process.
4. Make sure that all containers and mixing utensils are clean and dry. Water, grease, wax, or foreign materials may cause a reaction resulting in bubbles or splintering while curing. Use only metal, plastic or rubber mixing utensils. Moisture from damp wooden mixing spatulas will cause bubbling. Do not use paper cups, paper contains moisture and may cause bubbling.
5. The *Clear Elegance* compound is very temperature sensitive. Do not mix *Clear Elegance* when the product or room temperature is below 64 degrees or above 78 degrees F. The warmer the *Clear Elegance* resin system and/or the room temperature, the faster it will cure. Conversely, low temperatures will slow the curing time. Do not expose to direct sunlight while mixing or curing. High humidity environment may inhibit complete hardening of the product or cause bubbles while curing. *Clear Elegance* kits are packaged with exact proportions Parts "A" and "B" components (equally). You must visually measure out equal portions of "A" and "B" components for proper mixing.
6. Do not expose your finished arrangement to extreme temperatures or place in direct sunlight. The hardened compound will expand and contract when exposed to extreme high or low temperatures and may damage the container and spoil your arrangement. Do not leave liquid *Clear Elegance* kits or your finished cured arrangement in non-temperature controlled environments.

### BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Assemble the required materials.

- *Clear Elegance* "A" (resin) and "B" (hardener)
- Your floral arrangement
- Plastic or metal spatula for stirring
- Clean, dry vase
- Clean glass or plastic measuring container (large enough for A & B mixture and stirring). Do not use Styrofoam or styrene cups.
- Funnel (optional, but helpful for long, thin necked vases)
- Drop cloth or newspapers to protect work surface

- Floral tape to hold arrangement in place while curing
- Paper towels
- You must wear protective clothing, rubber gloves and eye protection while using this product.
- Windex, alcohol or mineral spirits for clean up.

## GETTING STARTED

### STEP 1

Choose a workspace where your arrangement will be undisturbed for 24 hours that is not in direct sunlight and away from sources of heat or cold. Protect work surface with a drop cloth or sheets of newspaper. Clean and dry vase thoroughly, small drops of water may cause the mixture to cloud or not perform properly.

### STEP 2

Pour equal amounts of "A" and "B" components into a clean glass or plastic measuring container. Close storage containers immediately to prevent moisture contamination of "A" and "B" components. Do not use paper cups. Stir continuously for at least 3 minutes, mixing well. Thorough mixing is required. Scrape the sides and bottom of the container while stirring. We recommend that you pour the mixed *Clear Elegance* into a second clean plastic mixing container and stir a second time before pouring into vase. This ensures no unmixed material will remain. Reseal partially used containers immediately after use. Once the *Clear Elegance* shipping containers are opened, we recommend the contents be used as quickly as possible. Repeated opening and closing of shipping containers will allow moisture contamination and cause bubbling.

### STEP 3

Slowly pour *Clear Elegance* from the mixing container into the center of the vase. Do not splash or allow the mixture to run down the sides of the vase. Pour slowly and evenly to prevent entrapment of air bubbles. For large arrangements you may attach a clear plastic tube to your funnel for ease of pouring. Fill to desired level.



### STEP 4

Position the arrangement and secure in place with floral tape over the top of the vase if necessary. Once arrangement is fully cured, it will be permanently bonded in place.

Any adjustments must be made soon after pouring *Clear Elegance* into vase.

### STEP 5

Arrangement must remain undisturbed for 24 hours. Now your *Clear Elegance* arrangement is complete.

## CLEAN UP

*Clear Elegance* is permanent once it has cured. Do not pour excess product down the drain. Excess material should be allowed to harden and disposed of. Use paper towels, soap & water, alcohol, Windex or mineral spirits. Wipe up any spills and wipe off mixing utensils. Wash hands thoroughly.

## **WARNING**

Keep out of reach of children or serious bodily injury may result. Avoid inhalation, ingestion, eye and skin contact. Wear protective clothing, rubber gloves and goggles. Protect work surfaces and use only in a well-ventilated area. Contact may produce allergic reaction by ingestion, inhalation or skin contact. Contact may cause eye/skin irritation. Never mix with other chemicals or injury may result. Wash hands with soap and water promptly after using. Store in a cool, dry place away from high temperature or open flame. See enclosed material safety data information sheets for complete health and safety information.