

TRANSTINT BLACK DYE



Our Transtint #BD-6023 jet-black dye is the best we've found for staining ebony sharps. Many older ebony sharps were painted black to cover up color streaks in the wood. Our procedure restores the ebony to nearly flawless condition (providing the original ebony front facets are not heavily worn).

After stripping the ebony, hand sand up to 220 or 320 grit. Any streaking and blemishes will become apparent. Apply as many coats of the Transtint as necessary (usually 2 or 3 will be sufficient), allow to dry, sanding very lightly between coats. Ebony is extremely dense and over-sanding will undo your work. Once you have your desired look, polish the ebony using our #B-34 black silicone-based rouge. This seals in the dye and makes the ebony look brand new.

Transtint is also perfect for the "key-black" underneath the ebony. For this use, mix with denatured alcohol and clear shellac.