

## **Pearl Ex Powdered Pigments™**

## **Instructions**

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Read through all instructions before beginning your project.

Pearl Ex is extremely easy to use. Its incredible flexibility lends itself to a vast array of techniques. Your biggest problem may be deciding which technique to use.

## Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Mix Pearl Ex with a clear embossing powder for rubber stamp embossing. Pearl Ex in itself is not an embossing powder.
- Interference colors work best over dark surfaces.
- Mix 4 parts Pearl Ex to I part **Gum Arabic** and add water to desired consistency for a watercolor paint. If mixing in a plastic well palette, this mixture can dry out and become reconstituted with water.
- Mix with **Gum Arabic** and water to create a calligraphy ink for use with any dip pen or pointed nib.
- Dust Pearl Ex Powders onto shrink plastic before shrinking. The powder will become embedded in the surface when the plastic shrinks.
- Dust a polymer clay rubber mold with Pearl Ex before pressing in the clay. This is a great way to color the clay. It also makes the clay easier to release from the mold.
- Mix Pearl Ex with the **Jacquard Textile Colors Colorless Extender** (JAC100) for use on fabrics. Heat set as directed on bottle.
- Mix Pearl Ex with any clear medium to use over any surface. For example, you can mix Pearl Ex with a varnish, acrylic or solvent-based, as a coating over clay, wood, or paper.
- Dust Pearl Ex onto any surface and then seal with a spray lacquer. Spray the lacquer out over the surface and let the mist fall onto the surface rather than spraying the lacquer at the surface. This will give you a more even coat of lacquer without spray marks as well as preventing the spray from blowing off the Pearl Ex.
- Knead dry Pearl Ex powder into polymer clay to color it.
- Pearl Ex can be mixed into wax for candlemaking.
- Pearl Ex can be mixed into a medium and airbrushed. Some testing will be necessary to ensure that the particle size will fit through the airbrush opening.

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