

Maintenance of Dibble Studio Sculptures



The surface patina (*colouring*) of Dibble Studio bronze sculptures are protected by a layer of wax. This layer protects the sculpture from changing colour as a result of oxidation (*contact with air*). It is very easy to maintain the wax coating on Dibble Studio bronze sculpture. The wax gives the bronze a nice shine when polished or buffed, and continued polishing over time will further enhance the lustre of the surface. If the sculpture includes any 24 carat gold gilding – the gilded surface does not require waxing and polishing, and can simply be dusted with a soft cloth.

We recommend a bees-wax based wax for Dibble Studio bronze sculptures. Apply a thin, even coat of wax with a soft cloth. Do not put the wax on too thickly – it is better to put on thin coats over a period of time. Leave the wax to harden for a few hours, and then polish with a soft cloth. Outdoor sculptures should be waxed annually. Before waxing, first clean the sculpture with detergent and water (*Hosing off may be required*).

