INKWOOD CO
TATTOO STUDIO

AFTERCARE

Your tattoo care guide

A new tattoo is a small healing wound. Look after it well for the first few weeks and it will stay crisp for years. If anything worries you, message Ciara.

DAY 1 — Leave it be

- Keep the wrap or film on for as long as Ciara tells you.
- Wash your hands before you touch your tattoo.
- When the wrap comes off, wash gently with lukewarm water and a mild, unscented soap. Pat dry with a clean paper towel.

DAYS 2 TO 4 — Wash & moisturise

- Wash gently two or three times a day.
- Once it's dry, rub in a very thin layer of the aftercare cream Ciara recommends. Thin is best: your skin needs to breathe.
- Wear loose, clean clothes over it.

DAYS 5 TO 14 — Itchy & flaky

- It will flake and itch. This is normal.
- Don't pick, peel or scratch. Gently tap it instead.
- Keep moisturising lightly and keep it out of the sun.

WEEK 3 ON — Sun & touch-ups

- Once it's fully healed, use SPF 50 sunscreen on it to keep the lines sharp.
- If a spot healed lighter than the rest, message Ciara about a touch-up.

For the first 2 weeks, avoid

- Swimming pools, the sea, baths and saunas
- Direct sun and sunbeds
- Tight clothes rubbing on it
- Picking or scratching

Message Ciara if

- The redness or swelling spreads or gets worse after day 3
- It feels hot, or you see yellow or green fluid
- You feel feverish or unwell

If it looks infected, please also see a doctor.

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