

# Boundary

## Reference

**Mode:**

Sculpt Mode

**Brush:**

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Similar to the [Pose](#) brush but deforms the open boundaries of a mesh. The tool detects the mesh boundary closest to the active vertex and propagates the deformation using the brush [Falloff](#) into the mesh.

The main use cases of this brush are the *Bend* and *Expand* geometry, which leads to the best results on evenly distributed quad based topology. Use the *Inflate*, *Grab*, *Twist*, and *Smooth* deformation modes, to further adjustments and tweaks to the result (which do not depend that much on a clean topology).

### Tip

Boundaries to hidden geometry will also be counted as an open boundary.

The boundary origin is displayed via a white line, which indicates the reach of the deformation. The targeted boundary that will be deformed is highlighted in the brush cursor color.

If the [Deformation Target](#) is changed, the brush can also be used for cloth sculpting.

### Note

Evenly distributed and quad based topology will lead to much better results. Triangles and N-gons are also supported but may lead to unpredictable outcomes.

## Brush Settings

### General

#### Note

More info at [General](#) brush settings and on [Advanced](#) brush settings.

### Unique

#### Deformation

Deformation type that is used by the brush.

**Bend:**

Rotates the boundary around the local Y axis. Useful for creating folding shapes, like sleeves.

**Expand:**

Moves/extends the mesh boundary in the local X direction. Useful for extending the boundaries along the surface.

**Inflate:**

Works similar to the [Inflate](#) tool but, the vertices that are inflated are constrained to the mesh boundary.

**Grab:**

Works similar to the [Grab](#) tool but, the vertices that are grabbed are constrained to the mesh boundary.

**Twist:**

Rotates the active boundary around the local Z axis. Useful for creating folds like on a skirt.

**Smooth:**

Works similar to the [Grab](#) tool but, the vertices that are smoothed are constrained to the mesh boundary.

### Boundary Falloff

How the brush [Falloff](#) is applied across the boundary.

**Constant:**

Applies the same deformation in the entire boundary.

**Brush Radius:**

Applies the deformation only within the brush radius.

**Loop:**

Applies the brush falloff in a loop pattern along the boundary.

**Loop and Invert:**

Applies the falloff radius in a loop pattern, inverting the direction back & forth.

**Boundary Origin Offset**

Offset of the boundary origin in relation to the brush radius.

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