# Immortan Joe – Unpainted Mask

Thank you for ordering one of our unpainted Immortan Joe masks! Read below for detailed information about the mask, and quick start on how to paint, and get it ready to wear. When you're done, send us a picture; we'd love to see your end result! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us at HauntedKnoll.etsy@gmail.com, or via the Etsy convo system.

Also, we very much appreciate feedback, and reviews on Etsy, as they help us grow and continue to add new products. If you have a chance, please take a moment and leave a review!

## **Included with this shipment**

- Unpainted Immortan Joe mask
- Padding, for bridge of the nose
- Rubber hoses (if purchased)

#### About the mask

- The mask is cast with a semi-rigid plastic resin (Smooth-Cast 65D), which has some give to it, but is NOT unbreakable. It isn't *fragile*, but it should be treated with reasonable care
- The mask has been trimmed, and all edges sanded, after being demolded
- The mask can be painted with standard acrylic paints, but spraying with primer first is recommended

#### **Quick-start Tips**

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Although it should not be necessary, if you find you want to do further trimming of the mask, take care when doing so. Trying to cut, or snap away material can lead to cracks along the edges, or breaking off more material than intended. Alterations are best done with a Dremel tool, using a sanding drum. Be sure to wear safety glasses, and a respirator!

The size of the mask can be altered *slightly* by warming it up either with a hair dryer/heat gun, or hot tap water. This will make the plastic a little pliable, and the sides can be bent inwards or outwards. DO NOT TRY TO BEND TOO FAR. Hold in place, until it cools, or dip in cold water.

Prior to paint, I recommend wiping the piece down with Prep-All or Mineral Spirits. Blowing off with compressed air, if possible (to remove any lint, etc.)

Primer will help with paint adhesion. The resin manufacturer recommends using Plastikote Sandable Primer, but it isn't carried everywhere. I prefer to use 3M Bondo Easy Finish Primer (Black) – Note: NOT the kind with filler. Rust-Oleum Automotive Self Etching Primer, or Rust-Oleum Specialty Plastic Primer also work well as alternatives.

IF SPRAYING WITH PRIMER, ALLOW IT TO FULLY DRY BEFORE PAINTING FURTHER

Standard acrylic paints work well, as do most enamels, and other model paints intended for plastic.

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There is a thin strip of padding to place around the bridge of the nose. Attaching with hot glue is recommended.

To attach straps, carefully drill a hole in the upper part of either side of the mask.

To attach hoses (if purchased), a 1" hole should be drilled between the upper, and lower jaw. See the Valves guide for extra info.

The mask can be worn comfortably, without additional padding. However, if you wish to add some, hot glue is recommended for attaching it to the inside of the mask.