

Mehndi / Henna

PRIVATE APPOINTMENTS AND HOME PARTIES

Private appointments and home parties are charged by the hour. If you would like to get hennaed, there are two options:

1. PRIVATE APPOINTMENT

In your home for \$50.00 per hour, (prices vary depending on size and complexity) minimum of one hour. After the initial hour, \$20.00 per half hour \$40.00 for additional hour. This option is generally for one or two people. If you and a few friends want henna, see option 2 below. There may be an additional charge for travel if located outside the 19152 area code.

2. HENNA PARTY

Round up some friends and family and host a party! In your home at \$100.00 per hour per artist. After the initial hours, \$45.00 per half hour \$90.00 for additional hour. This option is for smaller parties of 10 people or under. There may be an additional charge for travel if located outside the 19152 area code.

Half (1/2) of party booking deposit is required to reserve the date(s) of a HENNA PARTY.

There will be no refund of this deposit if you cancel within 1 week of the event. Balance is due upon date of service. Please note that until deposit is received, your date will be considered "unconfirmed" and open to alternate bookings.

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING YOUR HENNA SESSION

The following are a few tips to ensure that you will get the most out of your henna experience:

Mehndi / Henna stain best on.... Tops of feet, ankles and hands (other parts of the body will still get a henna stain, but I cannot "GUARANTEE" the henna stain will be as dark as the feet, ankles and hands)

Henna Tattoo will remain until all the stained layers of skin naturally exfoliate. A Henna stain will last anywhere from 1 to 4 weeks, depending on your body temperature level, where the henna tattoo is applied; the dryer the spot the deeper the stain and how often you wash the hennaed area. Frequently rubbing oils or lotion on the henna tattoo area will deter exfoliation.

Do not apply moisturizer to the area you wish to henna. Clean skin will allow the paste to stick to the skin better. It is a good idea to get any needed bathing, soaking, swimming or shaving done before your session. Same goes for manicures and pedicures. Get them done beforehand. Keep in mind that the henna paste must remain on the skin for at least 2-4 hours or more. Once the paste is removed, another 6-12 hours without contact with water is recommended. The drying process for henna takes approximately 10-20 minutes, depending on environment and thickness of Henna paste that was applied to the skin. Exfoliation is beneficial prior to henna for it removes loose dead skin cells that are ready to be shed. I don't want disappointed clients.

Once the henna paste is removed, the yellow-orange stain will begin to oxidize and become darker over the next 48 hours. Natural henna will always leave a stain in the range of orange/red/brown, however, The exact shade can vary. Darkness varies with each person's body chemistry, the area of body chosen, and the length of time the paste remained in contact with the skin. The longer the paste is in contact with

your skin, the darker the color and the longer lasting it will be. It will last the longest, 1-2 weeks, on thicker, dry skin such as hands and feet, and will fade more quickly, 3-10 days, on thinner skinned areas such as arms, chest, belly and backs. As your skin exfoliates and regenerates, your henna/mehndi will completely disappear.

Q: How to get the deepest, darkest henna stain?

A: Henna paste is a dye and the longer it is left on the skin; the more layers of skin become stained by it.

- 1) I recommend leaving the henna paste on overnight, if possible. When the henna paste is almost completely dry, the easiest way to protect your henna paste is to spray a layer of lemon & sugar/hair spray on top of it. Then apply medical adhesive tape to henna paste, after you have taped henna paste rap plastic rap around henna paste. Henna needs to be absorbed into the layers of skin, and if you remove your henna paste too early, wash hennaed area or enter chlorine, it can drastically affect your henna stain.**

If you cannot do any of the recommendation above just let the dried paste fall off on it's own. It cracks, flakes and falls off leaving your henna tattoo on your skin. However, the earlier you take the paste off the lighter your henna tattoo will be. We recommend that you leave the henna paste on for as long as you can in order to get a dark and long lasting henna tattoo.

Q: How can I make my henna tattoo last as long as possible?

A: Frequently rubbing oils or lotion on the henna tattoo area will deter exfoliation. Go over the henna patterns with new henna every several days.

- Each batch of henna is hand made personally by me. My henna is 100% NATURAL. My ingredients are: henna powder, essential oils, lemon juice & sugar. I absolutely do not use "black henna" which can cause serious allergic reactions.**

Designs: The artist will bring books of designs to choose from or if you like, you can leave it to the artist's discretion. Bridal clients will have chosen a design beforehand at the complementary meeting. Please keep in mind that your session starts when the artist arrives. If you are the indecisive type, it may be a good idea to leave it up to the artist so you can spend more time getting hennaed instead of looking through books.

Aftercare: The artist will provide care instruction sheets for everyone.

Arrival Time: The artist will generally arrive 5-10 minutes before your session. It only takes a minute or two to get everything ready to begin. If you would like the artist to arrive any earlier, the hourly rate will apply.

Breaks: For a 1 hour session or 2 hour party, the artist will generally not need an official break except for maybe a quick bathroom run. Since you are paying for the artist's time, we like to get everyone done before anything else. For longer events, breaks may be needed.

Payment: The balance is due at the end of your session, no exceptions. Cash, moneys orders and personal (in state) checks are accepted. Please do not count on the artist to have change.