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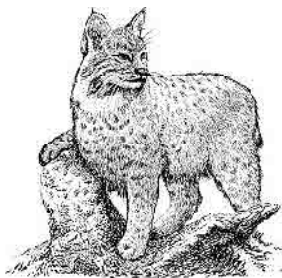
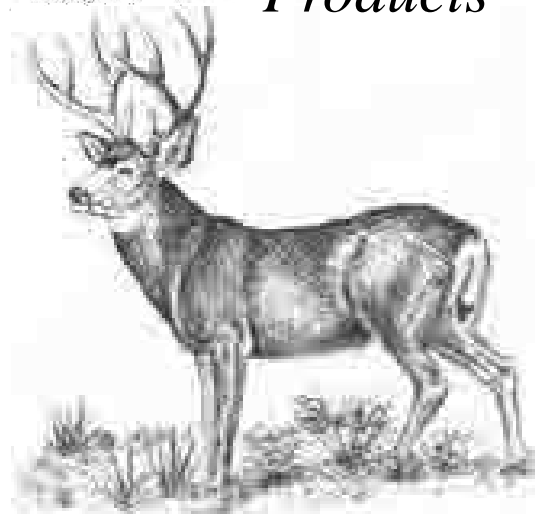
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*Home of*

## *Bess Maid*

*Products*



To Order,  
Call  
Toll-Free  
**(ORDERS ONLY)**  
**1-800-256-4800**  
(Does not include -  
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# Important Ordering Information

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## How to Order:

Type or print orders clearly and be sure to give item # and description of item, quantity, price and size/color of each item. Louisiana Residents include 4% Sales Tax. Please allow sufficient funds to cover merchandise and shipping & insurance costs.

### **WE DO NOT PAY SHIPPING CHARGES.**

Any excess will be credited for use on future orders. Orders that are short of money will be sent **C.O.D.** with an added \$9.00 C.O.D. fee. **(See COD's section on following page for method of payments for COD's.)** Please include your complete shipping address and daytime telephone number. If your mailing and shipping address are different, please be certain to specify on each order as this information is not stored in our computer. UPS will return boxes not addressed correctly which will result in extra cost to you. If UPS does find you at an address other than the one addressed to, they will charge for this service and this cost will be passed on to you. Any address correction charges from UPS will be billed to you. Note: Please order under the same name on every order to avoid confusion or duplication of files.

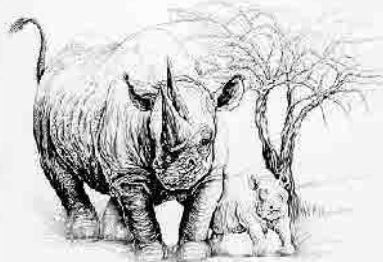
## Telephone Orders:

Our office is open between **9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. CST** Monday thru Friday. After regular hours we have an answering machine for your convenience. We are glad to take phone orders. Please have all of the required information **BEFORE** you call us. Our clerks are ready to take your orders as fast and accurately as possible. Telephone orders will be shipped C.O.D. **(See COD's section on following page for method of payments for COD's.)** or you may charge the order to your Mastercard, Visa Card or Discover Card. Please be sure to clearly state your complete credit card number and expiration date on your order. We also offer "Check by Phone" payments.

(All credit card purchases will be billed to you by the credit card company. For your records and convenience, we will send you a regular invoice showing date and amount of purchase. Inquiries regarding purchases, loss reports, ect., must be made to us.) **WE DO NOT PAY SHIPPING CHARGES.**

We cannot ship C.O.D. orders to Canada and other countries. C.O.D. fee for UPS is now \$9.00

**Fax Orders: 318-746-5878** 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week



# Toll-Free 800-256-4800

This line is for placing orders only. We ask if you have any questions concerning orders or any problems that you call our main office line (318-746-5792).

Previous Catalogs, Prices, and terms are obsolete and void.

All prices and terms listed in this Catalog are subject to change without notice.

## Damaged Packages

If you receive a damaged package that was shipped by **UPS**, report the damage to the UPS office listed in your telephone directory. Then call us and we will replace the damaged items. The damage claim will be handled between us and UPS, but you must **call UPS first**.

If you receive a damaged package that was shipped by **Parcel Post**, you must take the package to your local post office for damage inspection and processing. They will handle the claim with you.

## Returned Packages- By Carrier (UPS or USPS)

All orders returned to us because of: *Wrong Address, Not in on 3 delivery attempts, No Money, Does not want, Refused, Etc...* will be assessed a handling fee of \$5.00 plus the shipping charges. This helps us defray the extra costs of packaging.

## Packages Not Received

If you do not receive your order within a reasonable amount of time, please contact us. We will be happy to check on the status of your order or place a tracer on it for you. With the new UPS tracking system, we have readily available to us UPS information by computer. This can usually tell us where your package is, although sometimes no information is available. If this is the case, then we can call UPS by telephone and request an urgent tracer, which will sometimes speed things up by alerting UPS that they may have misplaced a package.

## Shortages

Please inspect shipments at once upon receipt and notify us of any discrepancies immediately. Please check all packing materials for missing items and invoice for possible back orders. Claims received after 10 days will not be honored.

## COD's:

UPS no longer accepts cash for COD's. If you do not wish to disclose your micro numbers, you may pay UPS with a money order. If you have written us bad check in the past and are on our cash only list, your order will be sent for payment by a money order.



## Rush Orders

During the busy season (Nov. thru Feb.) please add \$5.00 for Rush Orders. Ordinarily during less peak times we will put a rush on your order upon request without extra charges. Most orders will go out within 1-2 working days if all merchandise is in stock. Occasionally we will back order merchandise to prevent delays in shipping.

## Foreign Customers

Canadian or foreign customers, please note that postal requirements do not permit C.O.D. Orders to Canada or foreign countries. Please remit in full when ordering. ALL Canadian checks or money orders *must* be payable in *U.S. Dollars* or they *will not* be accepted. A \$10.00 processing fee will be added to all foreign orders to countries other than Canada.



## Returning Merchandise

In the event that it is necessary to return an item, please put a note in with the return explaining the reason and whether you want an exchange, refund or credit towards another order. You pay the postage for returning products. No C.O.D.'S will be accepted. Please insure all Parcel Post packages. UPS automatically insures up to \$100.00. NOTICE: All returns must be within 90 days from invoice date and a copy of the original invoice must accompany the return! After 90 days there will be a 10% restocking fee. We reserve the right to refuse returns that are older than 3 years or are in bad condition. All merchandise must be in saleable condition. Articles returned must be properly packed to insure against breakage in shipment as we cannot issue a refund or credit on a form broken in shipment.

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# Touchstone Artworks

5011 East Texas Street ~ Bossier City, Louisiana 71111 ~ 318-746-5792

Dear Friend:

We at Touchstone's have been doing business for many years as a full service Taxidermy Supply and we thank you for your patronage.

A few years ago we decided to become a more streamlined company to better meet the demand for our specialty products that are produced here at Touchstone's.

We will be continuing with our *Bess Maid* products, i.e. *Bess Maid Preservative*, *Taxi-Friend (earbase)*, *4 in One LiquiMount*, *Hide Glue*, as well as a few other items.

Although we are no longer manufacturing forms here at Touchstone's, we are pleased to announce that **Touchstone forms** are now manufactured by, and available through:

**Quality Taxidermy Supply of N. Carolina. Their toll free Ph# is (888) 527-8722**

We live and work in a dynamic time, participate in a global economy, and our industry, like many others, is feeling the effects of changes taking place across the world. The current economic situation world wide is still very uncertain, but hopefully in 2010 we will see a stabilization that ultimately will impact the rising costs experienced during most of 2009. These increased cost were unprecedented; the largest impact to the total cost of our products ever. In response to this we have made a price adjustment on many of our products.

We take these decisions very seriously, understanding that the consumer is the ultimate decision maker and is more sensitive to the cost of each purchase than ever before. This increase will only recoup a portion of the total increase we have already absorbed highlighting the importance of our continuing cost reduction initiatives. We do this knowing that it is important to you, our customer that Touchstones continues to maintain its viability as a reliable and innovative supplier.

We hope that we can continue to meet your needs for your business and your endeavors in the Art of Taxidermy.

Sincerely,

*Wesley Touchstone*

# Bess Maid Preservative

*The Great Preservative for ALL Taxidermy!*



## WHAT IS IT?

Bess Maid Preservative is not just another dry “borax-only” preservative. It contains anti-microbial/anti-bacteria agents as well as other preserving agents. Bess Maid is a complete all round preservative — all you’ll ever need to preserve your mounts. We use it to preserve everything from a mouse to a moose, a fish to a fox, or a snake to a swan.



## WASH , DRY AND SHAVE

**First prepare the skin.** *Note: If the skin has been salted, thoroughly remove all salt by washing it several times in clean , cold water.* Wash it in cold water and detergent and rinse in clean cold water. To reduce and kill bacteria, which is the primary cause of slippage in skins, we recommend adding Touchstone’s “**Relaxo**“, using cold water as instructed. When washing skins, use cold water because warm or hot water will cause bacteria to grow rapidly . The process of washing cleans the hair of blood, dirt and some oil.

After washing, squeeze the skin gently to remove the excess water, being careful not to ring it out or twist it like a rag as this could easily damage the hair. Next dry the hair side of the skin. We use a tumbler with sawdust. Then blow the excess sawdust out of the hair with an air hose. If you don’t have a tumbler, use a box or plastic garbage bag to shake the skin in. Don’t use a hair dryer because the heat promotes bacteria growth and is not good on the skin.

Now you’re ready to remove all the unwanted flesh (red meat and fat) from the flesh side of the skin. This can be done with a fleshing machine, by hand beaming (shaving) , or with a degreasing machine (a water-cooled turning wire brush system). **Note: If desired: apply preservative before fleshing to absorb excess moisture and to remove slickness of skin. If using this method, make sure to re-apply preservative after fleshing.** Be careful not to cut the hair roots off in the facial area. Using a sharp scalpel is good for the face, turning the lips, eyes, ears, and fleshing the nose down close. At this point, you can wash and dry the skin again if it has gotten soiled during the fleshing process.



## HOW DO YOU USE IT?

To prepare the skin for mounting and to permanently preserve it, you simply apply Bess Maid in its dry form to the flesh side of the raw, shaven hide and you are ready to go. Mount it now or freeze it in an enclosed plastic bag till you can. You don’t salt it, soak it, or use any acid. Yes, it’s easy to use so don’t try to make it hard.

## WHAT NEXT?



After about a week or so of drying under normal room temperature your mount should be dry and ready to apply the finishing touches. Finish it up, call your customer (who will be happy to have his trophy back so soon) and have the money in your pocket today. *See Next Page for Quantities & Pricing.*

**Coupon - Good for Free 1/2 lb. Sample of Bess Maid Preservative!**

Limit one coupon per customer. Not to be used with any other coupon for the same product. Return this coupon with your order. **Please include sufficient funds for shipping. This offer does not include shipping charges.**

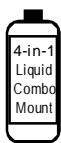
# BESS MAID PRESERVATIVE

## The Original and THE Best!

Bess Maid Preservative is the greatest step forward in Taxidermy since the development of the manikin (*hard body*). Bess Maid Preservative is not just another dry "borax-only" preservative. Bess Maid is a complete all-round preservative--all you'll ever need to preserve your mount. We use it to preserve everything from a mouse to a moose, a fish to a fox, or a snake to a swan! This wonder preservative is available at a very reasonable price. Easy to use, so why try something harder? Welcome to the modern age of taxidermy!!! Try it today!!!

1 Lb. ....	<b>PPR001</b> .....	\$ 5.50
5 Lbs. ....	<b>PPR005</b> .....	\$ 19.50
10 Lbs. ....	<b>PPR010</b> .....	\$ 38.50
25 Lbs. ....	<b>PPR025</b> .....	\$ 82.50
50 Lbs. ....	<b>PPR050</b> .....	\$155.00
100Lbs. ....	<b>PPR100</b> .....	\$297.00

## 4 in 1 Liqua-Mount Combo



- (1) Instant Mount
- (2) Liquid Earliner
- (3) Antlers in Velvet
- (4) Anti-Hairslip

This multi-purpose product is formulated to meet all these needs as a liquid preserving agent. As an instant mounting fluid to preserve bird wings simply inject the wing with 4 in 1 Liqua-Mount combo. For those who wish to inject the ears on small animals to eliminate earliners, simply inject the ears with 4 in 1 Liqua Mount Combo. For Antlers in Velvet, injection, spraying or a combination of both may be used. Avoid and prevent hair slippage now! Rest assured that 4 in 1 Liqua-Mount combo **does not** contain harmful Formaldehyde.

1/2 Pint .....	<b>4INOCP</b> .....	\$ 5.50
Pint. ....	<b>4INOPT</b> .....	\$ 9.00
Quart. ....	<b>4INOQT</b> .....	\$15.50
Gallon. ....	<b>4INOGL</b> .....	\$ 49.50
1 Pt. and 1 Spray Bottle. .	<b>4INOSP</b> .....	\$ 14.00
1 Pt., 1 spraybottle, & 1 Hypodermic Syringe	<b>4INOKT</b> .....	\$ 15.00

## BORAX: POWDERED

1 Lb. ....	<b>PPB001</b> .....	\$ 3.50
5 Lbs. ....	<b>PPB005</b> .....	\$ 13.00
25 Lbs. ....	<b>PPB025</b> .....	\$ 54.50

## Bess Maid Taxidermy Clay

This clay is finely ground and in dry form. Just mix with water and keep in a covered container. Great for building up and modeling around eyes, etc.

1 Lb. ....	<b>PCL001</b> .....	\$ 2.50
3 Lbs. ....	<b>PCL003</b> .....	\$ 4.00
25 Lbs. ....	<b>PCL025</b> .....	\$ 23.00
50 Lbs. ....	<b>PCL050</b> .....	\$ 40.00
100 Lbs. ....	<b>PCL100</b> .....	\$ 70.00

## Pre-Mixed Clay-Economy

Pre-mixed Potters Clay.

(Approximate weight) 22 lb. Block	<b>CL25</b>	\$ 18.00
(Approximate weight) 45 lb. Box	<b>CL50</b>	\$ 35.00

## BESS MAID HIDE GLUE

Bess Maid Hide Glue is a Premium Gray Glue that is similar but superior to other products on the market. It is a very sticky, tacky glue, yet costs you less money. Sold in dry form. Mix with water to desired consistency.

5 Lbs. ...	<b>PHG005</b> .....	\$ 13.00
10 Lbs. ..	<b>PHG010</b> .....	\$ 24.00
25 Lbs. ...	<b>PHG025</b> .....	\$ 51.00
50 Lbs. ...	<b>PHG050</b> .....	\$ 93.50
100 Lbs. .	<b>PHG100</b> .....	\$ 175.00



## Bess Maid Mache #1

**Fast Setting**-This mache can be used for many purposes in your taxidermy shop. Mix water with what you need for each job. After a few minutes it will set or become hard. When completely dry it becomes strong and much lighter in weight. It does not crack or break like plaster and contains an adhesive that further strengthens and protects it.

1 Lb. ....	<b>PM1001</b> .....	\$ 3.50
3 Lbs. ....	<b>PM1003</b> .....	\$ 7.00
10 Lbs. ....	<b>PM1010</b> .....	\$ 17.50
25 Lbs. ....	<b>PM1025</b> .....	\$ 33.00
50 Lbs. ....	<b>PM1050</b> .....	\$ 60.00
100 Lbs. ....	<b>PM1100</b> .....	\$ 110.00

## Sodium Carbonate

Use 1 Cup to each gallon of boiling water to loosen meat & flesh on skulls, Bones, Etc. Eases fleshing. Also bleaches skulls & bones. Irritating to eyes & skin. Wear protective apparel.

<b>PSC2</b>	<b>PSC5</b>	<b>PSC10</b>
2 lbs. \$ 3.00	5 lbs. \$ 6.00	10 lbs. \$ 10.00

## BESS MAID PLASTOLITE

This amazing product will set up like plaster but not as quickly. When set it is easily cut or scraped into shape. When completely dry (overnight) you can cut, saw, or rasp it. Does not break or shatter like plaster, and when dry, it is much lighter in weight than plaster. It will not damage or dry rot skins. Good for building up or modeling anywhere or anything. Good for making bodies for small fish. Can be used for making large fish bodies by using a wood or excelsior core. Apply a layer over the excelsior core and place inside the fish skin. Shape fish while plastolite is soft. When set, remove and dry plastolite body before mounting fish.

3 Lbs. ....		<b>PPL003</b> ....	\$ 5.50
25 Lbs. ....		<b>PPL025</b> ....	\$ 40.50
50 Lbs. ....		<b>PPL050</b> ....	\$ 71.00
100 Lbs. ....		<b>PPL100</b> ....	\$ 125.00

## PLASTER

10 lbs. **PL10** \$ 8.00    25 lbs. **PL25** 15.00

## Bess Maid Plaster Retarder

Slows down the setting of plaster. A small amount of this retarder in Plaster, Fish Filler, or Mache #1 will allow you more time to work before the products get hard. 1 Lb. . **PPLRET.** . . \$ 6.00

## BESS MAID TAXI-FRIEND

### (FORMERLY EARBASE)

Many have used and remembered Earbase, the great taxidermy helper, and were disturbed when they did not find it in recent catalogs.

They were delighted to find that Taxi-Friend is the old Earbase made stronger and better. It has more fiber and adhesive added to make it stronger and tougher. Good for modeling around antlers, nostrils, eyes, ears, feet, base of tail, setting eyes, etc. Work up some of the dry Taxi-Friend with water to the desired consistency and use. Put leftover Taxi-Friend in a coffee can or other used container for use with the next job. Dries hard in a few days.

5 Lbs . . . . .	<b>PTF005</b> . . . . .	\$ 10.00
10 Lbs . . . . .	<b>PTF010</b> . . . . .	\$ 16.50
25 Lbs . . . . .	<b>PTF025</b> . . . . .	\$ 38.50
50 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PTF050</b> . . . . .	\$ 66.00
100 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PTF100</b> . . . . .	\$ 121.00

## Bess Maid Relaxo

Dry Flint and dry salted skins or scalps can now be relaxed without slipping. Contains no acid to burn scalps and skins, no alum to shrink and harden them. Leaves skin soft and stretchy, ready to apply preservative and mount.

Relaxing skins in plain water sometimes results in slippage. **ADD** four tablespoons of Bess Maid Relaxo to each gallon of water. Good skins and scalps will soften up without slipping. Remove skins from solution when they are relaxed. Mount or freeze as soon as possible.

1 Lb. . . . .	<b>PRX001</b> . . . . .	\$ 7.50
3 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PRX003</b> . . . . .	\$ 15.50
9 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PRX009</b> . . . . .	\$ 40.50
25 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PRX025</b> . . . . .	\$ 104.50
50 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PRX050</b> . . . . .	\$ 192.50

## Concentrated Liquid Relaxo

Dry Flint and dry salted skins or scalps can now be relaxed without slipping. Contains no acid to burn scalps and skins, no alum to shrink and harden them. Leaves skin soft and stretchy, ready to apply *Bess Maid Preservative* and mount.

Relaxing skins in plain water sometimes results in slippage. **ADD One Tablespoon** of Bess Maid C.L.Relaxo **to each gallon of water.**

GOOD skins and scalps will soften up without slipping. Remove skins from solution when they are relaxed. Mount or freeze as soon as possible..

*Same active ingredients as powdered Relaxo.*

*1 Quart of CLR is equivalent to 10 lbs. powdered Liquid concentrate blends completely and quickly with water, no settled material!*

*Save on shipping*

*Only 2 lbs per Qt of CLR verses 10 lb pwdr. Relaxo*

1/2 Pint . . . . .	<b>CLR-CPT</b> . . . . .	\$ 12.00
Pint . . . . .	<b>CLR-PT</b> . . . . .	\$ 21.00
Quart . . . . .	<b>CLR-QT</b> . . . . .	\$ 38.50
Gallon . . . . .	<b>CLR-GL</b> . . . . .	\$ 148.50

## YELLOW DEXTRIN

5 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PYD005</b> . . . . .	\$ 22.00
10 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PYD010</b> . . . . .	\$ 38.50
25 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PYD025</b> . . . . .	\$ 66.00
50 Lbs. . . . .	<b>PYD050</b> . . . . .	\$ 110.00
100 Lbs . . . . .	<b>PYD100</b> . . . . .	\$ 200.00

### NAMEPLATES

A service to your customers and an extra profit for you. 3 lines with a maximum of eighteen letters and spaces per line. These should be printed and either mailed or faxed to us as we cannot be responsible for spelling errors over the phone.

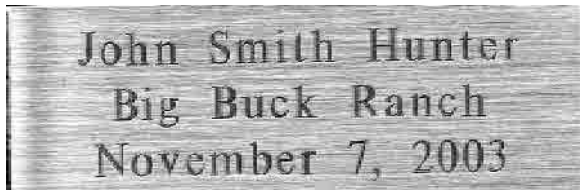
**Specify Color** - Surface Color/ Letter Color

Azure Blue/ White ---Black/ White---Glossy Walnut/ White  
Pecan/ White-----Pine Green/ White -----Red/ White

**Size: 1" x 3" \$ 5.50 1 1/2' x 3 1/2" \$ 6.50**

**Solid Brass / Satin** w/black letters

1" x 3" ... \$ 6.00 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" . . . \$ 7.50  
2" x 3" . . . . . \$ 9.00



### BLACK NAILING PINS

Coated with black oxide, 1 inch length, 20 gauge

1/4 lb . . . . . **MBLKPN1** . . . . . \$ 7.00  
1/2 lb . . . . . **MBLKPN2** . . . . . \$ 12.00  
1 Lb Box . . . . . **MBLKPN4** . . . . . \$ 23.00

# BIG HORN

## Mineral Lick

Our pet deer "Sparkey Jr", a 6 yr. old has shed 5 sets of trophy antlers. Sparkey has been on this special blend of minerals and salt since he was just a yearling. Use this blend in your salt licks year-round to keep the deer on your hunting lease. Bucks will have better antlers and does will produce stronger fawns when taking this special blend from your salt lick!

**SAVE MONEY** on Salt Licks - Order this special mineral and mix it yourself with salt you buy locally. You will save the shipping charges on the salt by doing. Do not use the coarse so-called ice-cream salt. Buy the regular cattle salt in 50 lb. bags. Instructions on how to make a good salt lick will come with your shipment of mineral.

**Mineral Only** (Mix 5 lbs to 25 lbs salt: yields 30 lbs.)

5 lbs.....**TMO5**.....\$7.50  
10 lbs....**TMO10**.....\$13.00

**Mineral Pre-mixed with Salt**  
(no mixing required)

25 lbs...**TMS25**...\$12.00  
50 Lbs.....**TMS50**.....\$21.50



We support the National Taxidermist Association and would like to encourage you to join. The only taxidermy trade organization fighting to protect our rights as hunters and taxidermist. **Join Today!** [www.nationaltaxidermists.com](http://www.nationaltaxidermists.com)

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