ABT 114
MAGIC GEL FOR BRUSHES

The life span of a brush is limited and depends on the number of hours that it has been used, the type of paint used, and of course the care given to it. In addition each type of brush is more suitable to use with one particular paint type or another.

The brushes we use for oils or enamel paints are usually of synthetic bristles. This kind of brush usually deteriorates faster than the natural hair brushes (e.g. Marta Kolinsky brushes), which are generally used with for water-based paints.

If we want to extend the life span of our brushes we must take care of them properly with a good cleaning and maintenance every time we finish using them. If possible we should also use a product that takes care of their fibers and keep them in perfect shape.

01 Abteilung’s “Magic gel”, ABT114 is the perfect product for brush maintenance.
02 This product is a dense, almost odorless gel of a dark blue color. It comes in a easily storable plastic pot with a see-through inner cap.
03 After a normal use the brushes start losing their shape. Storing them in contact with other brushes and/or tools makes this problem worse.
04 Once we have finished painting we will clean the brush until there are no rests of paint. Then we will completely dip the brush in the gel making sure that all the bristles are well covered.
05 We will remove the excess gel by gently rubbing the brush on a paper towel turning it at the same time to group up the bristles in a single block and recovering its original shape. Pointy in this case.
06 Once we notice the brush has recovered its original uniform shape and has a blueish aspect due to the gel, we’ll leave it to dry aside.
07 Before using our brush again it is advisable to remove the dry gel so it doesn’t get mixed with our paint. To do this we will moisten the brush with water and gently remove the excess gel on a paper towel until there is no rest of the gel.
08 Our brush is then ready to be used again.