Thirteen Roses Tattoo

**Aftercare Instructions**

*Please follow these aftercare instructions to ensure that your tattoo is well cared for during the healing process. Please note that artist instruction may vary from this general sheet.*

* Remove bandage at artist’s discretion, but **do not** leave on for more than four hours.
* Following removal, thoroughly wash your new tattoo with **unscented antibacterial soap** - we recommend using Dial Gold pump soap - and warm water.
* Pat the area dry with a clean towel and apply a **thin coat of an unscented white lotion** to your tattoo. If you can still see the ointment or lotion after applying, you have put on too much – think pea-sized amount or less.
* **Repeat these steps three to four times a day** for the next two weeks or until the peeling/flaking is complete.

\***After the first few days, your new tattoo will begin to dry, peel and flake.** Don’t be alarmed! It’s part of the healing process. **Do not pick, pull, or scratch at any of the peeling and flaking during this time.** If you are tempted to scratch, use clean hands to apply a small amount of lotion to the area to soothe.

\***Do NOT submerge your tattoo in water until it is fully healed.** This means NO swimming or soaking the area for three weeks minimum. Showering is fine.

\***Avoid exposure** to direct sunlight, tanning, or activities that may damage your new tattoo during the healing process.

**Remember, tattoos are an investment and while we do our best to ensure a solid heal on our end, once you leave the shop it is up to you to care for your new tattoo. If you have any questions, feel free to call the shop or stop by to chat with an artist.**

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