Juice from the unripe jagua fruit (*Genipa americana*) has been used for body adornment for millennia. The Amazonian fruit produces a permanent, bluish-black stain that resembles the color of traditional tattoos and lasts until the skin fully exfoliates (approximately 1-2 weeks).

**Jagua - Pre-mixed**

A great companion to henna for mehndi designs, jagua is also perfect for test driving tattoo ideas, fooling friends, embellishing existing tattoos and more. Safe, non-toxic & 100% natural, Jacquard is proud to offer the only powdered, shelf-stable form of jagua ever available.

Simply add water and essential oil to create a ready-to-use jagua gel (see instructions below).

*Ingredients*: dehydrated jagua juice (*Genipa americana*), cane sugar, xanthan gum, citric acid

**Recommended ratios by volume:**

1.5 parts Jagua powder • 3 parts water • 0.3 parts Eucalyptus Oil

**Instructions to make approximately 2.75 fl oz/81.33 ml Jagua gel:**

1. Thoroughly mix 3 tablespoons/44 ml water with 1.5 tablespoon/7.25 g jagua powder. Once the paste is consistent and smooth, wait 5-15 minutes before proceeding.
2. Mix in 1 teaspoon/5 ml eucalyptus oil (or other essential oil) to create the gel. Wait at least 10 minutes before using.
3. Apply generously to the skin with a fine line applicator, cone, brush or stencil. Allow jagua to dry completely (approximately 30 minutes) before removing.
4. Peel dried jagua from skin and wash with soap and cold water. The longer you leave it on, the darker the design will become.

Don’t be alarmed if you can’t see the tattoo at this stage: the design will darken to its final bluish-black color over the course of 24-48 hours. Designs last 1-2 weeks.

If you are prone to allergies or have sensitive skin, do a small test design and wait a day before proceeding with something more elaborate.

*NOTE*: The mixed jagua gel will keep for at least one month before losing potency. Refrigerate or freeze to extend its shelf life.

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Jagua - 100% pure

Pure Dehydrated Juice of the *Genipa americana* fruit.

Shelf-stable, water-soluble powder, safe and 100% natural. Used to increase the potency of jagua gels, for creating jagua gel from scratch, or mixed with henna for “hengua.”

Because it is soluble, Dehydrated Jagua Juice should be used as an additive for hengua and should not affect the water to henna ratio called for in the henna recipe.

**Approx ratios for mixing jagua gel:**

- 2 parts jagua powder
- 0.75 parts xanthan gum or other thickener
- 3 parts water
- 0.3 parts Eucalyptus Oil or other essential oil

**Recommended ratios for “hengua”:**

*For a darker, faster-developing henna stain:* use 0.25 oz/7 g jagua per 1.76 oz/50 g henna (1:7 by volume)

*For a deep burgundy stain:* use 0.53 oz/15g jagua per 1.76 oz/50 g (1:3.5 by volume)

*For a dark chocolate brown stain:* use 0.88 oz/25g jagua per 1.76 oz/50 g henna (1:2 by volume).

Pre-dissolve in water or blend with henna powder to incorporate.

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