

## Craig's Ruby Red



Craig's Ruby Red is a vivid rich, iridescent blood-red paint symbolic of love, passion and power. Specifically formulated for lettering on memorial stones and other grave decoration applications, where severe weathering and ageing can adversely impact the longevity and intensity of the finish.

Capable of adhering to most common substrates, Craig's Ruby Red is exceptionally versatile and can be used in many interior and exterior applications. It is especially good on flat plaques where rain, debris and residue gather, then attack and degrade the paint in the inscriptions; Craig's Ruby Red withstands these attacks and remains bright and resilient.

### Unique Features of Craig's Ruby Red

- Superb brush-ability, and suitable for spraying, with excellent coverage and quick drying\* (see drying times below)
- 1 pack formulation, ready to use. For spraying – simply adjust viscosity by very carefully adding up to 10% white spirit (max.)
- Outstanding durability.
- Very stable UV light-fast pigment and solvent system – means the lettering will not fade or deteriorate and looks as good as new year after year
- **'Dry as Seen'**– what you see in the pot is what you get when the paint dries – guaranteed
- Smooth, rich finish
- Exceptional flow and high opacity
- Excellent colour retention
- Stable product; no skinning, thickening or waste

### Preparation

Ensure surfaces to be painted are clean, dry and free from debris. On existing inscriptions, ensure all remnants of previous coatings are removed. This may require the use of paint remover and plastic bristled brush, being very careful not to damage the surface of the stone. Follow the instructions of the paint remover and then flush clean with plenty of water, to ensure none of it remains in the lettering. The stone must then be allowed to dry thoroughly, for up to 48 hours, so that it is dry all the way through.

When the stone is fully clean and dry, stir Craig's Ruby Red well before use.

We recommend two coats of Craig's Ruby Red on the clean bare stone, no primer or undercoat required

We further recommend testing on a small discreet area before committing to a large job.

Clean brushes and spray equipment with white spirit, and the product can be thinned with white spirit up to max. 10%



## CraigsTone Stonemasons' Colour Mixing Guide

We produce a range of fully compatible coloured stonemasonry paints, using the same raw materials as Craig's Ruby Red. They can be mixed together to produce virtually any shade of colour desired, and the resulting mixed formula will retain all of the unique features of Craig's Ruby Red. See our full range of CraigsTone paints, and download the Mixing Guide at [www.goldfarben.co.uk](http://www.goldfarben.co.uk).



## Drying Time

\* Drying time is temperature, air flow and humidity dependent. A warm, sunny day with a gentle breeze and low humidity will give the fastest drying time.

A rough calculation as a guide, assuming normal air flow and relative humidity:

- 30 degrees C – 15 mins touch dry and 24 hours through dry.
- 20 degrees C – 30 mins touch dry and 24 hours through dry.
- 10 degrees C – 1.5 hours touch dry and 36 hours through dry.
- 5 degrees C – 3 hours touch dry and 48 hours through dry.

*Always read the product Material Safety Data Sheet before use. Download it from our website.*