

INSTRUCTIONS and TIPS

Prep

1. Wash your decoys using hot water, detergent, and heavy-duty non-scratch scouring pad to completely breakdown all mold release agents and dirt/oil from your hands. Testing has shown the following 2-step process to be the most effective:

1. Scrub surface using liquid grease cutting detergent and rinse.
2. Scrub surface using pumice-based power cleanser (i.e. Ajax® powder) and rinse.

2. Allow decoys to dry completely. You will know that all mold release agents have been removed when the surface of the decoy body and head have a completely matte finish with no residual sheen and **water no longer beads off of the surface.**

3. If any residual sheen remains or water is beading on the surface, repeat the washing process until matte finish is achieved.

Finishing

1. Heritage Series decoys have an integrated primer coating. No additional primer is required.

2. Apply quality Parker oil-based decoy paints using multiple thin coats. Allow adequate time to dry. (*Tip: Painting in a cold garage on a Friday night and attempting to hunt the decoys on Saturday morning will yield unsatisfactory results.*)

3. If you choose to apply latex or water-based acrylic paints it is recommended that you apply a flat clear coat. Water-based products will soften when wet causing decoys to swap paint during transport.

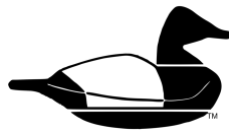
Assembly

1. Insert the 6" eye-bolt with washer up through the decoy body.

2. Place the Heritage Series DuraBill™ decoy head onto the neck shelf and thread the eyebolt into the internal threaded fitting inside the head. Be careful not to overtighten the eyebolt. (*Tip: Fasten the head to the body by threading the eyebolt into the head, not threading the head onto the eyebolt.*)

Care and Maintenance

1. The use of slotted bags is not required but it will extend the life of the finish you applied.



2. To ensure a rust-free keel conduct a yearly check that paint is covering the dime-sized area of the exposed keel weight.