

THE BLOODY GUIDE

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In response to recent posts about fake blood staining kit, DC has tested the products it has used and the results are shown in the table below.

DC uses fake/stage blood to help with the authenticity of the game. It is not spread about liberally and we have had few issues with it in over the years and any damage that has been caused in the past is purely accidental. Going forward, DC will need to use up existing blood stocks for budgetary reasons, but we will clearly state at the beginning of each event what the blood products being used are, and at present these will be **SILICONE FLOW BLOOD**, diluted for use in the Blood Sprayer, and **MEHRON** and **CLASSIKOOL**, both undiluted.

If any Player or Crew Member does not want to come into contact with fake blood please let us know and we will do our best to ensure that it is kept away from them. **If, however, any Player brings their OWN blood products to the event, it is entirely their responsibility to inform other Players of the product and whether it is LARP safe, ie washable.** DC will always use a product that is washable, based on the tests we have done below.

TABLE 1: Products in this table have been tested by DC Crew members. Results are NOT scientific or binding, and DC offers these **ONLY AS A GUIDE** based on our own tests using unbleached, natural linen, washed at the temperatures shown, using the detergents shown.

DC takes **NO RESPONSIBILITY** if the products featured in the tests are used **independently** by Players or Crew at a DC or other event and cause staining or discolouration of clothing, weapons or other pieces of kit.

BRAND	VENDOR	NOTES
SILICONE FLOW BLOOD	Robert Smith / Tilt Make-up	Undiluted and 50/50 dilution with water was applied to unbleached linen and allowed to dry. The linen was washed at 30° on a cotton cycle using a non-biological own-brand laundry detergent. ALL stains were washed out. Linen left unblemished.
SMIFFY	Various	Stains all fabrics
SANG ARTIFICIEL	MaqPro	Washes out of natural fabrics at 30° delicates wash with non-bio detergent. MUST NOT BE DILUTED
SNAZZ	Various	Stains wool
MEHRON	Various	Washes out of natural fabrics at 30° delicates wash with non-bio detergent. MUST NOT BE DILUTED
MEHRON diluted with water		Faint staining of wool at 30° delicates. Removed with 30° normal wash with bio detergent.
MEHRON highly diluted		Washes out of natural fabrics at 30 deg delicates with non bio. NOT TO BE USED IN MOUTH
FILM BLOOD	filmblood.com / eBay	A powdered blood used when large quantities needed. Mix made following instructions on packet. STAINS linen and wool.
CLASSIKOOL FAKE STAGE BLOOD	Amazon	Washes out of natural fabrics at 30° delicates wash with non-bio detergent. MUST NOT BE DILUTED.

PLEASE NOTE:

Smiffy was NOT used at recent events. Snazz was used on a few members of Crew with facial wound make-up. Film Blood was NOT used but we tested a batch. The Blood Sprayer used a highly diluted Mehron solution.

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TABLE 2: This table features notes from the Costume People Facebook group and their experiences with various fake blood brands. IT IS OFFERED AS **INFORMATION ONLY**, AND DC DOES NOT ENDORSE ANY OF THESE PRODUCTS OR TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY STAINING OR DAMAGE CAUSED BY THEIR USE BY THIRD PARTIES.

BRAND	VENDOR	NOTES
PIGS MIGHT FLY (NICK DUDMAN)	Alcone	Comes out great with warm water The color is so vibrant that we dilute it quite a bit
BLOOD JAM/BLOOD SYRUP	Gravity and Momentum	blood jam is amazing. it washes out of everything and never leaves stains. It comes out of everything in the washing machine no extra elbow grease. It is edible but very salty. When it's diluted is when it tends to stain. When it's more concentrated it seems to sit on the fibers rather than soak in; nothing but good results
REEL BLOOD	reelblood.com	I like to mix reel blood with a bit of all free and clear or 7th generation laundry detergent Reel blood has 12 different shades. STAINS WOOL
ROBERT SMITH SILICONE FLOW BLOOD	Tilt Make-up	*THE* BEST BLOOD TO WASH OUT OF CLOTHING AND EVERYTHING ELSE
FLOCKING BLOOD	brickintheyard.com	Easy clean up, non-sticky, non staining blood. It doesn't contain pigment, so there's no possibility of staining. It comes in light, dark and aged and can be mixed together to create custom colors. I've had a problem with flocking bloodleaving tiny flocking bits in the fibers of clothing beforeit can pick up a static charge and stick to fabrics (and other surfaces) Washing the garments twice and/or pre-treating with static guard
ED WISE BLOOD		Not "drinkable", but ok if it gets in the mouth or eyes. Washing out the of white shirts and shoes the next morning with hot water, All, and Clorox non-bleach spot and stain remover soaking in a bath with Oxyclean & detergent as soon as possible.