

Seasoning Your *Don Salvatore* Humidor

It takes time, patience, and a little know-how to get a new humidor ready to hold cigars. You're trying to recreate the tropical environments where most cigars are made, and you can't rush the process. Putting cigars into a dry humidor can ruin good smokes.

Your Don Salvatore Humidor has an interior of untreated Spanish cedar, the preferred wood for humidifying and aging premium cigars. The wood needs to be humidified, or seasoned, before the box is ready to hold cigars.

To season your humidor, take a new sponge - make sure it is unscented and free of soap - and wet it with a liberal dose of distilled water. Wipe down all the exposed wood, including dividers, and the interior lid. Avoid using a paper towel or a fraying cloth; these will literally leave a paper trail on the wood. After you've wiped down the wood, squirt the sponge with more distilled water, then place it inside the humidor on a plastic bag - to avoid direct contact with the wood - and close the lid.

Next, you need to prepare your humistat. Use only distilled water. Minerals contained in tap water will destroy most humidification systems by leaving deposits that will clog the humidor element. Once the humistat is filled, be sure to wipe it down to remove all the excess water. Rest it on a hand towel for approximately 30 minutes.

Close the humidor with its humidifying element and the damp sponge, and leave it overnight. The next day, refresh the humistat (it may not need it) and check the sponge. If it is fairly dry, add more distilled water. If it is very damp, leave it alone.

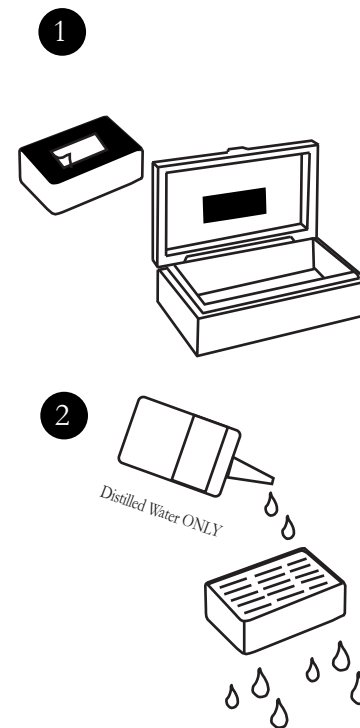
Let the humidor sit another night, and then remove the sponge and plastic bag. The walls of the humidor have now absorbed all the water they need, and now you can safely store your cigars.

Cigar Environment

Cigars must be kept in a properly humidified environment. The correct ambience is between 70 - 75% relative humidity and at a temperature of 70°F. Large or rapid fluctuations in either temperature or humidity may cause swelling and cracking of the cigar wrapper. Your Don Salvatore Humidor is the perfect choice for storing cigars. The humidity regulators or humistats offer a controlled environment and create in the humidor a desirable constant relative humidity of approximately 70 - 75%. The humidification system is based on a physio-chemical process (the molecular mechanisms allow for rigorous water evaporation control).

Your Don Salvatore Humidor should be kept as far away from a radiator as possible.

Directions For Use - Mounting and Refilling



1. Remove the protective tape from the magnet and adhere to the inside top of the humidor. Make sure the inside surface is clean and dry. Position the humidity regulator to the magnet.

2. Fill the humistat with *distilled* water only or our 50/50 Humidification Solution - Item # 1594. Slowly drop the distilled water into the foam through the slots of the regulator. Continue to add water until the foam in the humidity regulator is saturated and water spills over. Dry the regulator carefully after filling. Replace it in the humidor.

Refill the humistat when the hygrometer indicates a relative humidity below 70%, about once a month.

Operation:

1. Gently push the hygrometer out of the humidor through the front of the humidor.
2. Open the battery compartment by pushing the cover on the back of the instrument upwards as indicated by the arrow. Remove the battery safety strip.
3. Replace battery cover. The instrument is now ready to use.
4. Press and hold center button for 2 seconds to turn temperature reading on or off.
5. The temperature unit can be changed from Celsius to Fahrenheit by pressing the center button once. The display shows the current temperature and relative humidity. The temperature is C/F convertible, accuracy +/- 2 degrees. Humidity is 10% - 99% +/- 4%.
6. Humidity will be shown by the gradation bars on the LCD screen. Ideal humidity is 70%.



Celsius display



Fahrenheit display

Problems with the unit?

Be sure to change the battery first. If this does not work please feel free to contact us!

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Tell Us What You Think!

We invite you to share your impressions of your Don Salvatore Humidor and your experience with Don Salvatore accessories! Go to our website: www.donsalvatore.net and click on the Tell Us What You Think link on our homepage and send us a quick email. We look forward to emails from Don Salvatore users. Also call us at 800-886-8688 if you have any questions.

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Don Salvatore

Thank you for purchasing your
Humidor from Don Salvatore!

The following are humidor seasoning
instructions and hygrometer activation
instructions for humidor :
1574,1576,1578,1577,1602,1621,1658

Congratulations...

on being the proud owner of this splendid Don Salvatore Humidor.

It began nearly a century ago...

when the Don himself, a gifted old world artisan, became inspired to create a humidor that would be like none other he conceived before. Although we have advanced well beyond that small candle-lit shop, the Don's renowned dedication to quality lives on with us today.

We start...

by creating unique and artful designs using fine imported hardwood and leathers. Skilled artisans from around the world build and finish our humidor design by hand. Our high lacquer humidors have as many as ten layers. Each humidor is lined with fragrant Spanish Cedar, and is hand finished with elegant solid brass and gold-plated hardware adornments.

Just-rolled freshness...

is constantly assured by the precise humidification system, which protects the smoking qualities that you prefer in up to 400 fine cigars.

One glance, one touch...

and you'll instantly sense that your Don Salvatore Humidor imparts a prestigious presence and extends unsurpassed pleasure.

Caring for your humidor...

is quite simple. As with all fine leather and wood furniture, simply dust your Don Salvatore Humidor regularly with a clean, soft cloth. No liquid or spray dusting or waxing product is necessary. However, if you do elect to use such products, follow all manufacturer's directions very carefully. Make sure to avoid getting any such product into the interior of your humidor.