

Ceramics etc ...

Now ceramics, tiles, pottery and what-not are absorbent. That we all know. But what we do not all know is that they can be repaired. Sure, one will in all likelihood still see the cracks, but that's not the point. Especially when it's a beautiful ornament that came down from great-great-granny Venter who stayed in a one-horse town that doesn't exist no more. The value? Probably not much in terms of \$\$\$'s but the sentimental value is way up there!

So. First of all, there are one or two facts to remember.

- No glue will stick to the glazed areas.
- Glued hands and fingers are not a worry – glue into position which-ever piece you are gluing and after a minute, carefully roll your hand or fingers loose.
- This is in fact the most important point; **YOU ONLY HAVE ONE CHANCE AT THIS!!!** So do not stuff it up.

Here goes:



Two brand new ceramic pots the wife bought for R120.00 each. Nice hey! And then along comes our mutt called Bravo – thinks his name should be changed to Rambo. Along come Bravo into the house with a golf ball and bumps one pot over.



The wife of course, loses a gasket to say the least. I on the other hand silently congratulate said mutt because now I have another means of showing my clients just what Satlon superglue is capable of.



Firstly, I started with the main piece and the base. Poured glue on both pieces, positioned them and only after I was certain everything was as it should be, did I give pressure for one minute.



One minute of intense pressure is enough as long as it is constant.



A small piece glued here and there and a well-deserved coffee break. That is until the wife saw that there was superglue on the tiled floors. A quick explanation of cause and effect ie; Satlon does not stick to glazing, mollified my better half.



Once glued. Leave for one hour and you have the beginnings of a brand new pot/urn/ornament.



So. There you have it. After being chased out of the lounge into my work room because I started using sand paper to remove the glazing. I used black and brown polish to do the rest. Oh by the way, bi-carb went a long way in closing all those cracks and holes.



The end result I present ... (And it's NOT the same photo as the first. I'm just that good is all) LOL.

