



<b>Top Gel (choose one):</b>									
<p>Option 1: A wipe-required top gel in a pot</p> <p>... ideal for adding strength to one color applications or self-leveling, or for "double top coating" as this gel has a tacky surface after curing.</p>				Perfect Shine Top 4g	<b>\$20</b>	<b>23</b>	Top Gel 4g	<b>\$16</b>	<b>23</b>
<p>Option 2: A wipe-required top gel in bottle</p> <p>... thinner than the potted option. Good for one color overlays, slight self-leveling, or for "double top coating" as this gel has a tacky surface after curing.</p>	Nail Thoughts Glassy Top Coat 10g	<b>\$17</b>	<b>45</b>	Glossy Top Gel 15g	<b>\$30</b>	<b>73</b>	N/A		
<b>Non-Wipe Top Gel (choose one):</b>									
<p>Option 1: A non-wipe top gel in pot</p> <p>... medium-high viscosity. Adds strength and allows for self leveling, and sealing nail art.</p>				Non-Wipe Supreme Hard Top Gel 4g (high viscosity)	<b>\$18</b>	21	Enne Non-Wipe Top 25g (med. viscosity)	<b>\$50</b>	<b>140</b>
<p>Option 2: A non-wipe top gel in bottle</p> <p>... saves time by finishing designs without having to wipe off tacky residue. Keeps you from making the nails too thick when the nails already have many gel layers.</p>	Ultra Glossy 15g (med viscosity)	<b>\$20</b>	<b>73</b>	Non Wipe Top Gel II 15g (thin viscosity)	<b>\$30</b>	<b>132 yes!</b>	B-Line Enne Non-Wipe 16g (thin-med viscosity)	<b>\$17</b>	<b>132</b>
<b>Non-wipe Matte Top Gel (choose one)</b>									
A non-wipe matte top gel in bottle	Velvet Matte 15g	<b>\$20</b>	<b>132</b>	Non Wipe Matte Top	<b>\$30</b>	<b>132</b>	B-Line Non-Wipe	<b>\$17</b>	<b>33</b>

... for finishing the nails matte, w/o having to wipe off any tacky residue. Keeps you from making the nails too thick when the nails already have many gel layers.	(thin viscosity)			15g (thin viscosity)			Feather Top Gel 7g (medium viscosity)		
<b>Nail Art Affixing Gels</b> (choose one):									
Clear gels for affixing raised embellishments or creating raised Art and that has little-to-no self-leveling.  (choose the higher viscosity option for more universal use)	Non-Wipe Accessory Bond 4g	<b>\$15</b>		Non-Wipe Affixing Gel 4g  Fuchsia bow= high viscosity	<b>\$20</b>		Art Clear 4g  Mizume= thick viscosity	<b>\$10</b>	
<b>Color gel in pot:</b> (choose up to 10, see below)	2.5g	<b>\$11</b>	11	4g	<b>\$20</b>	15	4g	<b>\$14</b>	15
<b>Starter brushes:</b> (start with these 3)	Round Brush	<b>\$23</b>		Brush Oval	<b>\$22</b>		Oval Brush	<b>\$18</b>	
	Flat Brush	<b>\$24</b>		Brush Flat	<b>\$22</b>		Flat Brush	<b>\$18</b>	
	Long Liner Brush	<b>\$21</b>		Brush Liner L	<b>\$22</b>		Liner M	<b>\$18</b>	
<b>Files &amp; Buffers</b> (start with these 3)	180g Board File	<b>\$2</b>		180g Board File	<b>\$3</b>		180g Board File	<b>\$2</b>	
	180g Sponge Buffer	<b>\$3</b>		180g Sponge Buffer	<b>\$4</b>		180g Sponge Buffer	<b>\$2</b>	
	180g Emery Board	<b>\$1</b>		180g Emery Board	<b>\$2</b>		180g Emery Board	<b>\$2</b>	
Total Starter Kit Cost*	KOKOIST	<b>\$175</b>		LEAFGEL	<b>\$215</b>		VETRO	<b>\$135</b>	

(excluding colors)									
<b>Curing Unit</b> (Recommendation: Choose the one from the brand you use the most, or second)	Le Blanc (Wavelength: 365nm & 405nm)	<b>\$298</b>		Leafgel Dual-Wave (Wavelength: 365nm & 405nm)	<b>\$270</b>		Light EX (Wavelength: 405nm)	<b>\$298</b>	
	Infinity (Wavelength: 365nm & 405nm)	<b>\$197</b>							
<b>Total Starter Kit Cost*</b> (w/curing unit)	KOKOIST (w/Infinity curing unit)	<b>\$372</b>		LEAFGEL	<b>\$485</b>		VETRO	<b>\$433</b>	

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*\*Total starter kit costs are based on choosing the option that costs less. For example, if you need to choose ONE non-wipe top gel within that brand, our total is based on the lower priced option.*

Buying colors can be intimidating. I get it.

What if they look different in person? What if they are not client hits and stay stored in your drawers? Totally get it! That is why I took the time to jot down 10 of the most popular shades among my clients from my favorite brands Vetro, Kokoist, and Leafgel. Here they are...

Kokoist (\$10.80, 2.5g each)	Leafgel (\$20, 4g each)	Vetro (\$14, 4g each)
#03 ROUGE RED	#K08 JELLY MARSHMALLOW	#199 GIRL
#69 SUMMER RED	#008 BRIGHT RED	#284 STUDIO NO.284
#73 PEANUT BUTTER TOFFY	#601 PORTRAIT NUDE	#260 JEWEL TOPAZ
#127 STRAWBERRY LATTE	#005 IVORY	#261 JEWEL UMBER
#51 GOLD MICRO GLITTER	#69 ORANGE SORBET	# ELECTRIC PINK
#91 WHITE GRADATION	#436 LUSH MEADOW	#277 POPPER PINK
#175 BOYSENBERRY CANDY	#610 HOT RASPBERRY PINK	#387 MK DAISY
#199 LYCHEE NUDE	#165 RED PINK	#271 SILVER LEAF
#39 BLACK CHERRY	#517 DARK WINE RED	#966 ROSE LEAF
#85 RED MICRO GLITTER	#508 RUBY RED	#402 REFINEDNESS

So what do you think!? Which brand will you start off with?

I strongly recommend (especially if you're just starting with Japanese Gel) that you stick to one brand's clear gels in the beginning. Use only one brand's clear gels at a time for about 1-3 months before layering different brands together. This will ensure you really get a feel for the brand before committing to it or pitching it.

With colors, you can mix and match brands; they all "play" very well together, and their consistency is similar!

Personally, when it comes to potted gels, I like to designate brushes to essential gels so that I can avoid "contaminating them."

These are the potted gels I assign their own brush to (... and I usually do prefer a rounded brush over a flat- just because it fits most cuticle areas, but this is total preference):

- ❖ Top Gel
- ❖ Base Gel (I don't have 1 brush for each base gel, just 1 brush for any one of my base gels)
- ❖ Builder Gel (I like a firmer texture brush that allows me to use it as a "scoop", i.e. Kokoist Round or Thin Round)
- ❖ Glitter Gel
- ❖ Color Gel (some stylists do one brush for light colors, and another one for dark)

We've developed sincere and genuine relationships over the course of many years with Vetro, Leafgel, and Kokoist, that all three have extended an opportunity for us to be affiliate partners, and for our students to save.

**You can save 10% off [Vetro](#), [Leafgel](#), and [Kokoist](#) with our code PPN10.**

P.S. In the chart, I referenced the smallest portion sold. Larger sizes are typically available on all the products, including refill-bottle sizes from Kokoist! (Kokoist and Vetro prices are rounded up to the nearest dollar.)

You also see a column for "sets". We wanted to figure out how many sets of ten nails each core product will yield you. We used Leafgel Brand of Products to gather our estimations. We used the Leafgel smallest portions to make sets of 10 natural-medium length nails. After doing this, we kept quantities and consistencies in mind, to guesstimate all other brands as we are very familiar with their consistencies.

*[There is no guarantee that these amounts are exact. Use them for reference, and if you find a significant discrepancy in your usage, please share it with us!]*

P.P.S. Other essentials for a starter kit are needed like alcohol, lint-free towelettes, acetone, and foils for removal. If you need some recommendations I've made some on this Amazon list.

[https://www.amazon.com/shop/paolaponce/list/1MJL1173JH2CO?ref\\_=cm\\_sw\\_r\\_cp\\_ud\\_aipsflist\\_aipsfpaolaponce\\_K7E7ZRE083AKGNODS1EB](https://www.amazon.com/shop/paolaponce/list/1MJL1173JH2CO?ref_=cm_sw_r_cp_ud_aipsflist_aipsfpaolaponce_K7E7ZRE083AKGNODS1EB)