

Fenton Art Glass Presents. . . See How It's Made!

The 2010 Fenton Family Signing Event Exclusive Basket

Nobody does baskets like Fenton! Our 2010 Fenton Family Signing Event Exclusive is a beautiful American pattern Basket handcrafted in our Rosalene glass. This iridized basket is available only at participating Spring Fenton Family Signing Event dealers. Rosalene has pure gold in the batch, and our glassworkers coax the pink tone from within the molten glass by special reheating techniques. Shown below are the production steps in creating this sparkling basket keepsake! Our skilled basket handler has about 25 seconds to attach a molten ribbon of glass to one side of the basket; deftly twist the rapidly cooling glass; stick it to the other side and impress the base of each side of the handle with his handler's mark. Finally, he fashions the handle into a graceful arch. As you can see, the result is beautiful to behold!

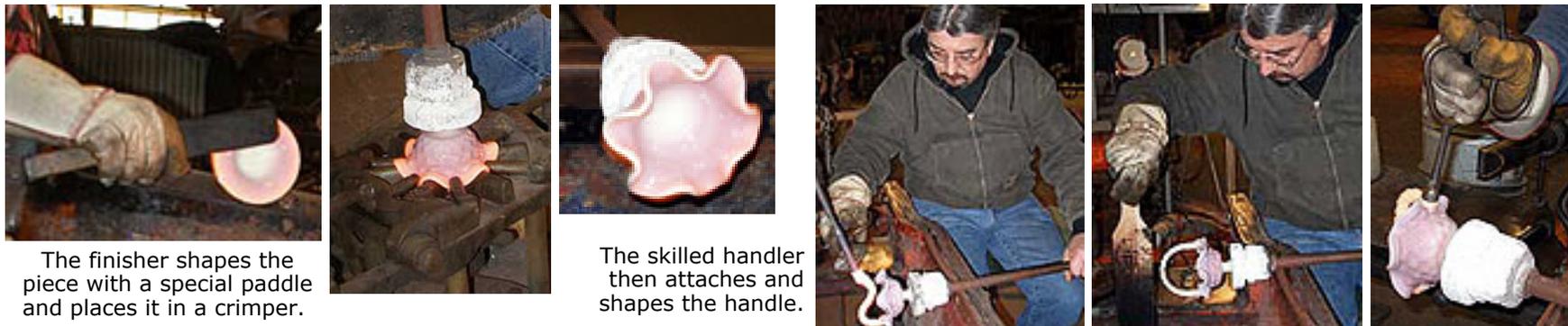


05883 RJ Rosalene
Iridized American pattern
6" Basket, \$49.50 U.S.



Using a punty, a gatherer brings molten glass and allows it to flow into a mould.

A presser cuts off the proper amount and, after pressing it to shape, removes the piece from the mould.



The finisher shapes the piece with a special paddle and places it in a crimper.

The skilled handler then attaches and shapes the handle.

Finally, the handler uses a personal stamp to mark both sides of the basket handle.



Now you know what goes into every handcrafted basket from Fenton USA!

The basket is reheated to prepare it for the iridizing process. A spray of metallic salts creates the shiny or iridized finish. The basket is placed in an annealing lehr for approximately 2-1/2 hours and emerges on the other end where a selector checks the quality. First quality pieces are placed in trays and taken to the shipping area to be packaged.