

## **Technical sheet - 550**

Color - Dark Pink
Purpose - All Purpose
Karat - 9K - 18K

## **Physical & Mechanical Properties**

Composition	
Cu	94.00%
Ag	4.50%
Zn	1.50%
Ni	0.00%

Color Coordinates			
Karat	L*	a*	b*
10K 550	85.61	10.88	16.14
14K 550	84.71	10.04	16.22
18K 550	83.91	9.91	14.86

y (g/cc)
11.58
13.07
15.05

As cast Hardness	(HV)
10K 550	124
14K 550	138
18K 550	202

## **Melting & Casting Instructions**

Temperatures				
	Karat	°C	°F	
Pre alloying	9K - 18K	1050° - 1060° C	1922° - 1940° F	
	10K	1040° - 1060° C	1904° - 1940° F	
Casting	14K	1005° - 1025° C	1841° - 1877° F	
	18K	975° - 995° C	1787° - 1823° F	
Flask	9K - 18K	510° - 650° C	950° - 1202° F	

Quench Time 15 Mins (9-14K), 3 mins button first (18K)
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Remelting	50% Fresh Mix

## **General Instructions**

- Very little <u>boric acid</u> flux is recommended. Do not use carbon flux such as soda ash, saltpeter etc. No flux needed in bottom pour automatic casting unit.
- <u>Flouric based</u> investment removers are the best for silicon oxide invisible coating. Use of aggresive acid causes corrosion and surface damage. <u>United's brite cast</u> investment removers works effectively.
- To calculate the weight of the metal needed (in grams), <u>multiply density (gm/cc) with weight of wax</u> (grams). Add 10% of the total weight for button.
- Gypsum bonded investment is recommended. Follow manufacurer's instruction for burnout cycle.

Note: There are proprietary metals in the formulation which are not included in the composition section.

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