



## NEW Biodegradable/Recyclable Poppy, Wreath, and Cross

2022 marks the first year for biodegradable poppies and wreaths, available for purchase in our Wreath Catalogue. Biodegradable substances are those, which degrade or break down naturally. In other words, their decomposition happens with the help of natural agents like sunlight, microorganisms, and water.

The following is a description of each component of each Item available in the Wreath catalogue. Please note that not all materials are biodegradable and may need to be removed and recycled as per individual waste management.

### **Poppy:**

1. **Lapel Poppies**, item # 200501: The poppy is composed of paper and cotton velvet. The pin is steel, which is non-biodegradable.
2. **Car Poppies**, item # 200502: The poppy is composed of paper with cotton velvet, the Pistil is plaster, and the string is cotton. Suction cup is plastic which is non-biodegradable.
3. **Table Poppies**, item. # 200503: The poppy is composed of paper with cotton velvet, a bamboo leaf stem, the middle part of the poppy is non-woven fabric, cotton string, and plaster.

### **Wreath & Cross:**

**Wreath and Cross**, item # 200508, 200514, 200520, 200524 and 200535, are composed of the following items:

- Carton paper core, natural moss, jute or paper ties.
- Poppy is composed of paper with cotton velvet, a bamboo leaf stem, the middle part is non-woven fabric, cotton string, and plaster.
- Maple leaves are composed of paper with bamboo leaf stem.
- Bow is made from polypropylene non-biodegradable components and will need to be removed and recycled as per individual waste management.

### **Inscription Ribbon:**

**Inscription Ribbon**, item # 200571 is made from polypropylene non-biodegradable components and will need to be removed and recycled as per individual waste management.

To prolong the life of all Poppy, Wreath and Cross purchased, we recommend you avoid direct sunlight and water.

If you would like to provide feedback on the Poppy and Wreath materials, please email us at [biodegradablepoppy@legion.ca](mailto:biodegradablepoppy@legion.ca)

Regards,

*Poppy & Remembrance Division*

