



## Instructions For THE MAVERICK® FINISHING PAN

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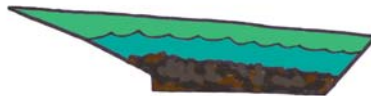
*Congratulations for purchasing the finest finishing pan on the market. The Maverick Finishing Pan is designed for the 21<sup>st</sup> century Prospector and Fossicker to use for maximum efficiency and ease. The Maverick is easy to learn and has many features for both the amateur and the professional. One of the features is that you cannot lose your concentrates over the lip like most other pans and you can insert Grit Strips to the bottom front of the pan for maximum cleaning and recovery of heavies. These with other features, makes the Maverick the exceptional finishing pan that it is.*

*Even though the Maverick is very easy to learn, practice makes perfect. Take some time to master it and enjoy the art of panning. For more information on panning watch the instructional video on this website for the Maverick.*

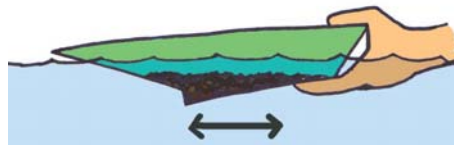
**Important:** Plastic gold pans must be seasoned before use. Find instructions for '[Seasoning](#)' on website.

**Follow the instructions and tips below for maximum efficiency and recovery.**

1. Add some water to the Maverick,\* then fill it to about half way or less with preferably, pre classified gravel.



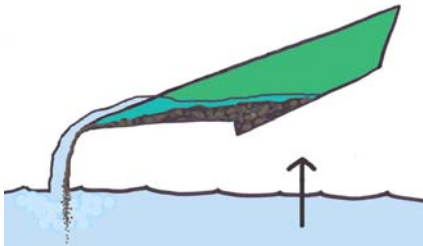
2. Now set the Maverick onto the surface of the water with a slight tip forward and start to stratify (shake) the gravel vigorously\* forward and backward in the pan. This action will make the heavy material sink to the bottom and toward the front of the pan.



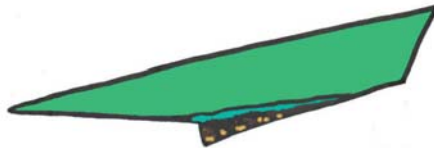
3. Now dip the front of the Maverick into the water to about 2/3rds of the way down at a 45-degree angle. A portion of the gravel will now fall down the riffles.



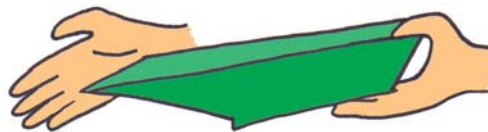
4. Now bring the Maverick straight up making the water flow out like a water fall.\* This action will wash away some of the lighter gravel on the surface while the heavier material gets caught in the riffles. Now dip and repeat this move several times.



5. Repeat steps 2, 3, and 4, in a vigorous fashion until you have reduced the gravel to an amount which does not go onto the riffles easily, but lays in the bottom front of the Maverick as shown in the drawing.



6. Now lift the Maverick out of the water far enough to make the water flow down the riffles and fill the bottom portion of the Maverick to the riffle line. Before you go to the next step, make sure the water on the riffles is drained of water.\* Now dip the Maverick slightly forward and start to slap the top lip of the Maverick with the palm of your hand.\* This action will force most of the heavy material to the bottom front of the pan.



7. Now raise the front of the Maverick up slow enough to let the water drain back off the concentrates without dislodging the gravel, making it go to the back of the pan.



8. With a flicking technique,\* make the water go forward to the bottom edge of the concentrates then flick it back creating a wave that pulls the lighter material back with it. Work forward on the concentrates with the water wave. Keep repeating this action until you start seeing the heavy material. Now dip the back of the Maverick down dumping out the water and excess gravel. After this, let some more water back into the Maverick then tip the Maverick slightly forward and repeat slapping the palm of your hand on the front top lip to force the heavies to go into the forward front of the Maverick again.



## Some Tips

- \* Putting water in your pan first helps to keep your gravel as liquefied as possible which promotes keeping of the heavies.
- \* When stratifying (shaking) the gravel in the Maverick, be vigorous. This means that you move the gravel so that all of it is moving all the way to the bottom. Don't be limp about it!
- \* Be sure you move the Maverick straight up, not back and up. If you pull the Maverick back and up you can blow your heavy material off the riffle system and lose it over the lip.
- \* If water is not drained from the riffles before starting to work on the concentrates, it can drop down and wash material away from the front of the Maverick. This can cause you to sometimes have to start over gathering the gravel to the bottom front again.
- \* When you slap the front lip of the Maverick, be vigorous with sharp blows.
- \* The Flicking Technique is best done by flicking the fingers and thumbs up and down to cause a wave action in the water that goes up to the concentrates, and then by "flicking" your fingers and thumb up will make a wave that will pull away some of the concentrates to the bottom back of the Maverick.

**Note:** Before using the Maverick wash with a strong grease cutting soap or detergent to take off the oily film from the manufacturing process. The manufacturing of plastic in molds creates an oily film on the pan, which opposes the retention of the desired materials.

\*See the "*Instructions for The Grit Strip*" to insert the grit strip correctly.