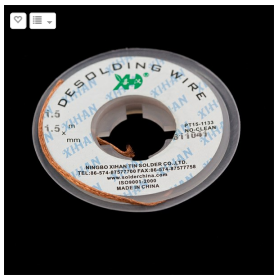

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Solder Wick #2 5ft. - Generic

TOL-09327

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DESCRIPTION DOCUMENTS

Solder wick, coffee, and paper towels keep SparkFun running. You can steal someone's diagonal cutters for a minute, but you'd better ask before touching their solder wick.[

Solder wick](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Solder_wick) is a composed of copper threads braided together. Flux is normally added to help the solder flow from where it is not supposed to be (the jumper) to the wick. Hence, solder wick is sometimes called desolder braid. Yes, you really can solder anything, and solder wick is a large part of the process.

We tried a lot of cheaper solder wick before finding this supplier. This is a cheaper version of the wick we use. We may start using it actually. It works great and the price is awesome.

This wick is 0.055" (size #2) wide and 5ft long.

Be sure to checkout the SMD Soldering Tutorials to see how to use solder wick.

Solder Wick #2 5ft. - Generic Product Help and Resources

SKILLS NEEDED

Core Skill: Soldering

This skill defines how difficult the soldering is on a particular product. It might be a couple simple solder joints, or require special reflow tools.

Skill Level: Rookie - The number of pins increases, and you will have to determine polarity of components and some of the components might be a bit trickier or close together. You might need solder wick or flux.
See all skill levels

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1 of 1 found this helpful:

Great solder wick for the price

about 3 years ago by Member #95831 verified purchaser

Purchased to have some extra on hand. Works like a champ, and the price is right.

1 of 2 found this helpful:

Worst. Solder. Wick. Ever

about 3 years ago by GB verified purchaser

Sorry to bring bad news to the table ... when I was a kid learning to solder, my uncle gave me some crappy wick. The experience left me doubting whether this hobby was a good fit for me or not. This is just as bad. Seriously, if SparkFun is trying to enable a young generation of makers, and I believe they are, then please do not ever restock this item.

> Single T replied on August 13, 2015:
>
> Hi, Some tricks to getting the most out of your wick is to spread out the braided mesh. The wider spread will allow the heat to pull the solder up and out of your joint and into the wick better. Also, cut off the tip, and only use the end. As you fill the end up with solder, cut that off, and start with some more fresh wick. It's actually not too bad of wick. We use this in our Tech Support work bench all the time.

One of the best wick ive used sofar

about 3 years ago by Chiel verified purchaser

This beats most if not all the cheap wicks ive tried over the years and i take it anywhere where i might have to solder SMD components.Its cheap, does its job nicely and comes with enough to last up to a year if you only solder now and then.

Cheap and Easy

about 2 years ago by CounterTorque verified purchaser

This may not be the best stuff out there, but for most purposes it saves me huge pains. If you've never used any before, then you can't go wrong with this stuff.

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