

A clean wick is important for proper burning. If the top of the wick is not completely smooth, the flame will spike and the flame may be yellow instead of blue, which will cause the mantle to not glow properly. The wick should be cleaned regularly, about every 12-15 burning hours – *which equates to about every time you would refill your lamp with fuel.*

Always use the included brass wick cleaner to clean the top of the wick (some previous models came with plastic cleaners). The wick cleaner will remove excess carbon build-up and will smooth out any loose threads.



### Process for Cleaning the Wick

1. Turn down the wick until it is even with the top of the outer wick tube
2. Remove the flame spreader and insert the Aladdin wick cleaner
3. Turn wick up until top of wick engages the wick cleaner
4. Slowly rotate the cleaner clockwise, with just a little bit of downward pressure
  - Do not use a back and forth motion, because this will cause unevenness and will result in flame spikes which will cause the mantle to not light correctly
  - Do not use too much pressure that would cut into the wick



### Tips:

- Use of a razor, knife, or scissors is not recommended as this can lead to gouges and unevenness of the wick surface.
- Some black char is required for proper burning - if you remove too much of the char, it may be necessary to re-char your wick.
- You may choose to use scissors to cut stray pieces of the wick, but do not use on the wick itself.
- Fingernail clippers actually work really well for stray threads.