

# Panama Hats

## Care of your panama hat

**Handle** by the brim to ensure that the front of the crown is not crushed or broken.

**Clean** off dust and dirt using steam from a kettle and a pure bristle hat brush\*.



**Remove** marks using a soft nail brush with a little soapy water.

**Dry** immediately with a clean absorbent cloth or sponge.

**Avoid** wearing in the rain.

**Maintain** the size of your hat by inserting a hat jack\* inside and adjust to a snug fit.



**Store** in a hat box\* to keep clean and maintain shape.



\* Available from Lock & Co.

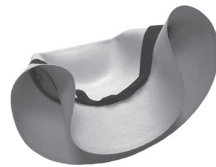
## Folding instructions

Only our *folder* style (with a ridge on the crown) and *crochet weave* panama hats are designed to be folded.

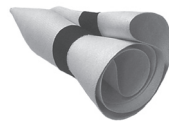
*First turn the brim down*



*Softly fold your hat along the crease*



*Roll your hat up*



*Put it in the travel tube, brim uppermost*



*On arrival at your destination always unfold your hat*

## Panama hats

Panama hats have been hand woven for centuries by the master craftsmen of Ecuador. The hats were exported to neighbouring Panama and took their name from the country.

Panamas are hand woven from toquilla palm fibre. The quality of the hat is determined by the skill of the weaver. The finer the weave, the lighter and more supple the hat.

The weavers of Montecristi are renowned for producing the highest quality panamas known as 'superfine'. Each hat is endorsed with a Montecristi stamp and signature of authentication.

As a landscape painter, Sir Winston Churchill adopted a cool wide brimmed panama whilst painting outdoors. The explorer, Ernest Shackleton, wore his Lock folding panama on his voyage south to the Antarctic.

A selection of Lock & Co. panamas:-

'Folder'



'Savannah'



'Wide Brim'



'Classic'

