

MARK TUCKEY.

Care and Maintenance

Timber

At Mark Tuckey our aim is to make solid, usable, lasting furniture. Solid timber is cut in many different configurations from a tree giving it unique characteristics and a natural feature is the varying colours, grains and textures.

All the timber we use in our furniture is pre seasoned and ready for a long hard life. Splits and cracks may develop as it responds to the environment and these are not to be considered a fault or flaw and will not compromise the construction of any furniture we make.

Do not leave spills to sit on surfaces. Avoid contact with heat, liquid, and take care when placing abrasive objects on the timber. Do not place your furniture in direct and reflective sunlight or air-conditioning and heating ducts.

This care guide will help you maintain your furniture in the best possible way.

Natural Oil Finish

Use a well wrung out damp cloth to remove dust and dirt.
Abrasive cleaning products and cloths are not recommended.
Take care if placing oiled furniture on any carpeted surface.

We recommend re – oiling when the timber appears to be dry. (3-6mths - This largely depends on the environment, especially outdoors) We use natural outdoor furniture oil. Always read and follow any instructions on the tin.

Painted, Waxed and Lacquer Finish

Use a damp cloth to remove dust and dirt.
Abrasive cleaning products and cloths are not recommended.
If minor surface scratches appear a coating of clear Bees wax will help blend them. Always read and follow the instructions on the tin.

Soap Finish

Use a well wrung out damp cloth to remove dust and dirt. A scrubbing brush and water can be used all over for any major spills.

To re soap - Mix 1 cup of Lux soap flakes with 1 litre of hot water until completely dissolved then slowly add 2 litres of cold water to the mixture, (adjust quantities as needed) stirring constantly, until you have a milky mixture. Give the surface a light sand with the 240 grit paper ensuring you wipe off the dust with a damp cloth. Apply the mixture liberally with a brush and leave to dry. You will notice soap sud marks once dry. To remove these you will need your scrubbing brush Use 240 grit paper and wear gloves to avoid getting any



splinters.

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Fabric ,Leather, Marble and Metal

Direct and reflective sunlight can affect all and cause fading and colour changes

Leather is a natural product and creases and markings are natural characteristics of quality material, it will relax and stretch with use and this is a not to be seen as a fault or flaw.

It is natural that cushion fillings will settle and seat foams will soften over time. Occasionally feather quills can pierce through covers. They can be removed by pulling the feather out. Cushion inserts can be invigorated by laying in the sun and should be rotated regularly

Fabric

Vacuum to remove dust, dirt and any loose feathers. Treat spills and stains as soon as possible. Do not scrub. Contact a specialist fabric cleaner for professional cleaning. Wash or dry clean covers according to professional recommendations.

Leather

Wipe over leather with a clean damp cloth to remove dust.
Contact a professional leather cleaner for cleaning.

Metal

Wipe with a soft cloth to remove any dust or anything that could wear the surface.
Abrasive products are not recommended .

Marble

Use clean warm soapy water or a damp cloth. Do not leave any spills as marble is porous and may stain.
For stubborn stains use a recommended marble cleaner.