

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Solid wood is a product of our natural environment. Depending on where the tree was grown and the conditions surrounding it, each tree will display variations of color and grain when it finds new life in your home as furniture.

These color variations, patterns, and knots are as unique to the piece of wood as your fingerprints are to you. We hope that you'll find appreciation in these qualities and the stories they tell of a material grown naturally; nourished by the sun and rain, strengthened by the wind and the storm.

Although it is no longer alive and growing, solid wood is still considered as a 'living material' in the sense that it will adapt to the environment it's placed in. This adaptation is driven by moisture and temperature; in warmer months your piece will absorb moisture and expand, while in colder months it will expel moisture and contract. While almost invisible to the naked eye, this means that your solid wood piece is physically changing in size. Occasionally small cracks will develop during periods of high humidity or temperature fluctuations. A room temperature of 18°C to 24°C and a constant humidity of 50% to 60% is recommended to mitigate these fluctuation periods. It is particularly important to not let the relative humidity drop below 40% in the cold and dry seasons. Solid wood should never be placed near direct heat sources (ie. fireplace) as this can quickly dehydrate the wood and lead to more severe cracking.

The surface of solid wood is also affected by exposure to UV light and will gradually change in color and tone with extended exposure. Lighter woods (ie, Eastern Maple) tend to become darker with age while darker woods (ie, Black Walnut) tend to fade. This is a natural process and not a defect of the material. We recommend occasionally rotating pieces in place if near a sunny window, and to make a habit of clearing the table of decor items when not in use. If left for an extended time, items like place mats or centerpieces may leave 'tan lines' on your wooden furniture.

Everyday Cleaning + Care

Solid wood will naturally develop a patina over time, aging gracefully with its owners. With minimal efforts and a little routine care, these beautiful pieces will easily outlive us and pass between generations to come.

Our finishes are based on a state of the art natural hard-wax finish. These finishes are food safe for your family, and easy on the environment. They do not require any chemicals or polishes to maintain and these should be avoided as they will ruin the finish. If you notice that your piece is starting to appear dry and in need of a refresh, please reach out to us so we can advise on the process and supply any required oils for reinvigorating your piece.

For daily care, use a clean damp cloth moistened with just clean water. A diluted mild dish soap is ok too for deeper cleaning. Remove any excess moisture with a clean dry cloth.