## Care & Maintenance

We recommend storing your furniture indoor or covered areas during the off season or not in use for prolonged period. Alternatively, you can protect your furniture under a furniture cover.In seaside locations we recommend regular soap and water cleaning to rinse away salt deposits. If grime and salt deposits are not removed regularly, these deposits will cause damage to the finish as well as pitting the aluminum itself.

For specific materials, please refer to the care and maintenance instruction below or email us at

Higreen-outdoor@outlook.com

# WICKER

Higreen 3000 hours UV resistant wicker is made from durable and weather-resistant polyethylene material. Light stains and soils may be removed with a solution of mild detergent and water, rinsed with clear water, and dried thoroughly before storing.

Mildew and heavy stains can be removed with a quality commercial outdoor furniture cleaner.

Wicker will last longer by storing in a cool place with furniture covers.

Wicker naturally sags during warmer weather, and due to its pliable nature, it should return to normal. However, the rattan can melt under certain conditions, such as from external, extreme heat sources or magnification during warmer weather. Melted rattan isn't covered under any guarantee and we always recommend using coasters for your glassware when using our wicker dining tables.

# ALUMINUM FRAMES

Our Aluminum is strong, non-rusting and very resistant to the weather.Very little maintenance is required to maintain the beauty of your aluminum.

However, the paint work can be hit, so avoid bumps.

Never power wash the furniture frame.

Never use use aggressive or alkaline cleaners.

Normal soapy water can be used for cleaning to avoid letting too much dirt build up.

For tougher cleaning, add a natural acid like lemon juice or white vinegar to the soapy water. Apply the mixture with a clean sponge and scrub aluminum furniture thoroughly.

This should eliminate any discoloration and get rid of dirt and debris build-up from being outside.

# TEAK WOOD

Teak wood is a superb and enduring tropical hardwood. Contrary to popular belief, this low maintenance wood does not require a lot of special maintenance apart from the occasional cleaning.

we recommend you thoroughly clean your teak furniture about once or twice a year with water and mild detergent or a water-based teak cleaner available from most hardware stores.

If you wish to retain the golden-brown color of new teak furniture, you should use a teak wood sealer or wood oil after you have cleaned the surface of any dirt and debris. Apply the sealer with a spray bottle, brush, or rag and let it dry for one hour. Then, proceed to apply a second coat.

For continuous protection, it is recommended that you apply once per year.

Don't use a pressure washer on teak furniture.

Don't use stiff or wire brush, or steel wool.

This may remove the softer part of the grain, and leave unwanted textured surface, and steel may stain the teak with rust spots.

Don't use bleach as this will discolour the timber.

# ROPE

The classic emblem of texture and strength is what you get to see with our diverse range of rope garden furniture. It only requires minimal maintenance and no special care whatsoever which means that it can be left outside to bask in the sun or battle harsh weather conditions all year long.

One of the best ways to keep outdoor rope looking good and to delay deep or vigorous cleaning is to properly maintain by brushing off any dirt before it becomes embedded, wiping up spills as soon as they occur and spot cleaning soon after stains occur.

# FABRICS

Higreen Outdoor uses Sunbrella<sup>®</sup> fabric and other quality acrylic fabric as cushion cover material ,which are both designed to protect and last for years.

One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella<sup>®</sup> fabrics looking good is to brush off dirt before it becomes embedded in the fabrics and wipe up spills or clean soon after a stain occurs. The quicker you clean spills and stains, the easier they can be to remove.

Please refer to following Sunbrella<sup>®</sup> care and cleaning tips below for more detail.



# Upholstery Care and Cleaning

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## Try this first... With a new spill on your Sunbrella fabric.

- Blot (don't rub) liquid spills with a clean, dry cloth. For oil-based spills, apply an absorbent such as corn starch, then remove with a straight edge.
- Spray on a mild cleaning solution of soap (such as Dawn<sup>®</sup> or Woolite<sup>®</sup>) and water.
- · Rinse the fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.

### Try this next... If your first try doesn't get the spill completely out.

Though Sunbrella fabrics can be used both outdoors and in, your cleaning methods should differ slightly indoors and out because of the fabrication and manufacturing of the furniture. We recommend using the appropriate cleaning instructions for your application.

## **Outdoor Upholstery**

#### **Cleaning Removable Fabric**

#### Hand Washing

Soak fabric in a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water. Use a sponge or very soft bristle brush to lightly agitate the spill. Then rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue, and allow fabric to air dry.

#### Machine Washing

Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary. To wash, first close all zippers. Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent. For severe mold or mildew, add 1 cup of bleach. Allow fabric to air dry.

#### **Cleaning Non-Removable Fabric**

Prepare a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water. Use a soft bristle brush to clean, allowing the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.

#### Seam-To-Seam Cleaning

When cleaning upholstered pieces, clean the entire surface area of the fabric, from seam to seam, instead of rubbing the fabric in a circular motion on the spill. This method, along with an extractor, may be required in order to avoid water rings and residue.

#### Mold and Mildew

Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric. To remove mold or mildew:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
- · Spray on entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
- Clean entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- · Air dry.

For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased.

It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and residue.

For other spills, products such as 303<sup>°</sup> Multi-Surface Cleaner, Dawn<sup>®</sup>, or Resolve<sup>®</sup> are applicable. Specific information on spill cleaning is available at sunbrella.com/cleaningguide



#### **Retreating Sunbrella Fabrics**

Sunbrella fabrics are engineered to provide long-term performance. After repeated thorough cleanings, or years of use and exposure, you may choose to refresh your fabrics with an appropriate retreating agent. We recommend 303<sup>®</sup> Fabric Guard<sup>™</sup>, available in the United States, and Tex'Aktiv, available internationally.

Applying a retreatment:

- Clean Sunbrella fabric, using one of the cleaning methods outlined.
- Allow Sunbrellato completely air dry.
- Apply retreatment in a wellventilated area following instructions on the container.

#### **Helpful Hints**

While Sunbrella fabric offers excellent protection against stains, full removal is not always guaranteed if spills are not addressed promptly.

Avoid scrubbing, hard bristle brushes or any other abrasive cleaning method.

Sunbrella should only be allowed to air dry.

Protect the area around your Sunbrella fabric when using bleach or other chemical solvents that may discolor non-Sunbrella fabrics. Always rinse Sunbrella thoroughly.

Bleach can have harmful effects on the natural environment around you. Please follow all safety and environmental precautions according to the bleach label.

If fabric has some wrinkling, use an iron on the synthetic setting. As iron temperatures may vary, first test a small inconspicuous area before ironing the entire piece.

DO NOT use a steamer or an iron set to the steam setting.

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## Indoor Upholstery

- Apply a light mist of mild soap and water using a spray bottle.
- Work the solution into the spill by lightly agitating the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam, with a sponge or very soft bristle brush. Avoid scrubbing, and do not use a hard bristled brush or anything that will abrade the fabric.
- · Rinse the entire fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- · Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
- · Blot or wet-vacuum excess water from the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam.
- Air dry. Repeat rinsing and blotting until all soap residue is removed.

#### **Professional Cleaners**

Inquire about a firm's experience working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.

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#### **Oil-Based Spills**

Immediately apply an absorbent such as corn starch directly on the oil-based spill. Let sit for 10 minutes and remove the excess using a straight edge or ruler. This helps remove the spill and prevents it from being pressed into the fabric. Then proceed with the cleaning process.

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