

# Garden Furniture

After Care Maintenance  
& Advice



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## After Care Maintenance & Advice

Taking care of your furniture will pay in the appearance and longer life just follow simple care. Please remember splits and cracks are normal for a natural product left outside in all weathers.

### Hardwood

Can be left out in all weathers untreated it will mellow and bleach in colour from sunlight, some people prefer the weathered look to enhance an old look, others wish the finish to stay as new. We sell lots of products, teak oil—ideal for preserving timber, but soaks into the timber and needs at least two treatments, spring and summer to maintain colour. Colour may vary with different timbers and darkens with each treatment. Timber is a natural product and is affected by weather, it shrinks in the summer and swells in the winter. A dry summer positioned in full sun, the timber will shrink and shows signs of end grain splits.

This is normal and will not effect the structures or use, small cracks and hair line splits are normal in timber. We also sell Cuprinol Timber Shades Treatment. When treated they are colour fast for longer periods of time. They are available in dark and light shades, colours pine, white, mahogany, blue , black, grey, green etc. In wet or winter weather, timber absorbs moisture and swells to correct dry weather shrinkages. Any mould or green, developing can be treated with a fungicide or wire brush before a light sand paper (fine) rub down prior to timber treatments.

Water marks can discolour untreated timber follow above before staining or any treatment. Do not over treat black stains until rubbed down to the bare timber. Treat with fungicide, treat with darker stain. If you over stain, the fungi will appear through again. Eucalyptus timber should only be treated with a clear sealer, please ask for details.

### Synthetic Wicker

**NEW**—Synthetic wicker high quality low or no maintenance furniture use wash with soapy water to clean, remove cushions when not in use as they are not weather proof.

## **Soft Wood**

Similar treatment to hardwood, but may split easier, colour treatments according to finish, please ask for details. Soft wood does not have such a long life as hardwoods.

## **Materials, Parasols and**

### **Conservatory Cane**

Most fabrics should be dry cleaned. Clean wicker and cane with a damp cloth, materials will fade if left in high sunlight conditions. Directors chairs, deck chairs, parasols etc. All cloth type materials, will fade in sunlight, some materials are Scotch Guard treated to ease cleaning and enhance the life of the material. Use vanish soap and water to clean stains etc. Some items can be replaced. Please check for details. Use weather proof covers when not in use to prolong the appearance of furniture inside and outdoors. Parasols to be closed or taken in when not in use or windy conditions. Guarantees do not cover wind damage although some spares are available if damaged.

## **Metal**

Cast iron, Aluminium, Paint Finished, Metal Type Furniture. Some furniture may contain cast iron or aluminium parts on all metal, all normally come with a hard wearing finish. If wear and tear or chips appear treat as soon as possible to stop rust or peeling of paint. Please ask for paint details or treatments. When required we can obtain some touch up kits. Furniture exposed to salt areas or high weather exposure will show signs of rust or deterioration, extra protection or regular preventative treatments are required to keep in good condition.

If you develop a problem please telephone to confirm how we can help, any serious fault may require a replacement part, which saves time and transport with bulky items.

Cushions are best dry cleaned and stored and protected while not in use. Protect from rodent damage and damp conditions.

**Most furniture available in stock. Vast stocks available. Special order items may take longer due to value of order, stock availability from suppliers or seasonal demand.**

**FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) products available, please ask for stock details.**

**All timber featured on sale is sourced from reputable suppliers or manufacturers, so ensuring quality timber from sustainable forests, enforced with strict regulations for felling and replanting trees so maximising financial and social benefits to the local community.**

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