

Furniture Collection Designed by Hans J. Wegner

Wood Finish Treatments

Soap finish

Soap finish is a popular Scandinavian wood furniture treatment. Soap flake shavings are made from natural soap. The flakes are then used to produce a wax-like substance which is used as a final finish treatment on natural wood. The soap treatment allows for the natural properties of the wood to appear without a sheen, resulting in a consistent natural, matte wood appearance.

Oil finish

Liquid oil is applied to the wood furniture to highlight the structure of the wood graining as well as giving it a warm glow. Oil treated wood also maintains the natural wood texture. Some discoloring to the wood's natural color will occur when applied to lighter wood finishes such as ash and maple species. Oil provides some sheen and can be considered more environmentally friendly than lacquer. Oil treatment protects the furniture from water and dirt. An oil treatment is recommended after 3 – 4 months after initial purchase. Additional oil treatments are recommended 4 times per year.

Lacquer finish

Lacquer is applied in liquid format and includes a hardening agent. Lacquer is water resistant, protecting wood furniture from water and dirt. Lacquer also highlights the structure of the wood graining and provides a lustrous finish. Lacquer is easy to clean and suitable for all wood types. Lacquer provides lasting durability for approximately 20 years. No additional maintenance is required with a lacquer finish.

*Please note that all wood finishes will likely experience some color shifting as a result of exposure to sunlight.

SOAP TREATED FURNITURE

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Solid wood is a living material which will be influenced by the relative humidity of the air. The ideal humidity lies between 40 and 50%.

Do not expose furniture with solid table tops to direct sunlight and avoid placing it too close to radiator or fire place.

Wood is a natural product and small colour variations and minor knots should not be regarded as faults.

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We hope you will enjoy your new piece of furniture, and to help you preserve it through many years we hereby give you some advise on the maintenance and cleaning of the surface:

Care Guidelines:

The surface should be cleaned with soap flakes (¼ cup or 50 ml white soap flakes to 1 liter of warm water). Dissolve the flakes in the warm water and wipe with a sponge or cloth. Surplus residue should be wiped away. Regular treatment will make the piece more repellent to marks or staining.

Remember to treat table tops on both sides to avoid warping. If the surface gets rough you can sand it in the direction of the wood grain using No. 180 or 240 grade sandpaper.

PLEASE NOTE: Steel wool should never be used.

Day-to-day cleaning with a cloth wrung out in the soap solution.