

Care instructions Findahl by Hammel tables in solid wood (ENG)

Congratulations on your new Findahl by Hammel furniture (ENG)

Before use

When you receive your new furniture, there is often leftover sanding dust on the surfaces.

This is from the production of the furniture, and it should be wiped off with a dry cloth before you start using the furniture.

Particularly for oil treated furniture

Do not use a damp cloth to wipe the furniture for the first two weeks, as the bio-oil used needs time to set completely hard. We recommend treating your new product for the first time 14 days after first use and six times during the first year. Remember to treat the furniture on both the top side and the bottom side. Day-to-day care should be done with a barely damp cloth wrung out in clean water. Never use detergents.

Caring for oil treated surfaces

Day-to-day care:

Daily cleaning is easily done with a barely damp cloth wrung out in clean water. Do not use chemicals, detergents, scrubbing sponges, steel wool, etc., as this will discolor or damage the surface.

Maintenance:

Regular maintenance of your oil treated furniture is important. For this reason, we recommend that you do it at least twice a year, once before and once after the winter season. During the winter season, when the air is very dry, you should treat wood ends every four weeks to avoid cracks in the wood.

How to oil treat your furniture:

First, clean the furniture with a soft cloth wrung out in clean, warm water. It is important that the furniture be completely clean and dry before the treatment. Apply the oil with a dry sponge or cloth – never pour the oil directly onto the wood. It is very important that you treat all surfaces on the furniture: top side, bottom side, edges, legs, frame, etc. Apply the oil in the direction of the grain, allow the oil to soak in for about 20-25 minutes, and then wipe off excess oil with a clean, dry, lint-free cloth in places where the oil has not soaked in completely. Allow the oil to dry for an additional 90 minutes. After this, you rub the top surface with a clean, soft, and lint-free cloth, until the surface looks uniform. Let the furniture dry for at least 12 hours, and avoid placing anything on the table, until it is completely dry, for about 24 hours. Cloths used for applying oil can ignite spontaneously, so it is important that they be discarded after use. But remember to place the cloths in a bag with a bit of water before discarding.

Repair of oil treated furniture

Oil treated wood is very resistant to most types of stains. If you cannot remove difficult stains with a cloth wrung out in clean water, you can carefully sand the surface with sandpaper grain 240. Sandpaper must always be used on a dry surface, and sanding must always be done in the direction of the grain. Make sure you do not remove too much of the wood, as this can result in irregular and unlevel areas. Do not use sanding machines on the table. After sanding, it is important to apply oil to the entire surface in order to get a uniform result.

Caring for soap treated surfaces

Day-to-day care:

Daily cleaning is easily done with a barely damp cloth wrung out in clean water. Do not use chemicals, detergents, scrubbing sponges, steel wool, etc., as this will discolor or damage the surface.

Maintenance:

You should perform regular maintenance on your wooden furniture. The best result is attained by treating the furniture about 2 weeks after first use. After that, we recommend performing maintenance on your soap treated furniture every two months.

How to soap treat your furniture:

Boil a liter of water and mix it with a deciliter of natural soap flakes. Make sure you whip it until all soap flakes are dissolved. Let mixture cool before use – it should have cooled to room temperature before use. Never use soft soap, as it will discolor the wood.

Treatment

First, clean the furniture with a soft cloth wrung out in warm water. It is important that the furniture be completely clean and dry before the treatment, so any dirt will not lodge in the soap and penetrate the wood. Wring out a clean, soft cloth in the mixture, and apply the soap mixture in the direction of the grain. It is better to use too little than too much soap water. After about 10 minutes wipe off any excess soap with a soft, wrung-out cloth. Then allow the wood to dry. It is important to treat the furniture thoroughly on all surfaces: top side, bottom side, edges, legs, frame, etc., as uneven moisture levels in the wood can cause cracks and unlevel areas in the wood. Once the furniture is completely dry, the wood will be "raised." Sand down the surface until it is even again, using fine sandpaper grain 240.

Difficult stains and repairs.

Difficult stains can be removed using fine sandpaper grain 240. Minor scratches and pressure marks are easily removed. Place a few drops of water on the damaged area, let the water dry, and when the scratch or pressure mark is "raised," follow by sanding it using fine sandpaper grain 240.