

**Below you will find information about the materials and finishes used in the collection, as well as guidelines for daily care, cleaning and maintenance.**

### **Oiled oak & walnut**

For daily care, dust oiled furniture with a soft dry cloth. Cleaning can be done using a soft cloth wrung in lukewarm water following the wood grain and dried immediately with a soft cloth following the wood grains. For more severe cleaning soap specifically developed for oiled wood can be used. Follow the instructions on the packaging of the cleaning product. To maintain the look and silky feeling of oiled wood, regular re-oiling is recommended. Re-oiling should be done when the wood starts to appear dry or faded. Usually, re-oiling one time every year is sufficient. Re-oiling of white oiled oak can be done by applying standard white pigmented oil for indoor wood products. Reoiling walnut can be done by applying standard natural oil for indoor wood products. Follow the instructions on the oil packaging. Smoked oiled furniture can be re-oiled and maintained by applying &Tradition smoked oil which can be purchased in our partner stores. Avoid the use of cleaning detergents and abrasive cleaning agents as they may damage the surface of the oiled wood. Avoid placing wooden furniture in direct sunlight, excessive heat or humidity.

### **Lacquered & stained wood**

Compared to oiled wood, lacquered and stained wood is easier to clean and requires no maintenance. For daily care, it is recommended to dust the furniture with a soft cloth. Lacquered and stained wood can be cleaned with a soft cloth wrung in a mild solution of lukewarm water and a universal cleaning detergent. Always follow the wood grains and always dry with a soft dry cloth immediately after cleaning. Avoid the use of abrasive cleaning agents and aggressive cleaning detergents as this will damage the surface of the lacquered or stained wood. Avoid placing wooden furniture in direct sunlight, excessive heat or humidity.

### **Plastic**

For daily cleaning, it is recommended to use a soft cloth wrung in lukewarm water. For more severe cleaning a mild detergent can be used. Always dry immediately after.

### **Marble & Travertine**

For daily care and cleaning it is recommended to use a cleaning agent specifically developed for stone or marble. It is also highly recommended to do a re-sealing of the tabletop approximately every second month using an appropriate sealer developed specifically for stone or marble. The marble used on lighting products has no surface protection and is, therefore, more exposed to stains

and marks. If possible, it is recommended only to clean marble on lighting products with a soft dry cloth. In case more severe cleaning is necessary, use a cleaning agent specifically developed for stone or marble. Avoid using abrasive cleaning agents or aggressive cleaning detergents on marble as this will permanently damage the surface.

### **Handloom-woven rugs**

A new rug will shed a bit of fluff caused by excess fibres that were not fully spun into the yarn during spinning. This is normal and over time, the fluffing will lessen and eventually stop. To prolong the lifetime of a rug, it is highly recommended to use a rug underlay. An underlay ensures that the rug remains in a fixed position and will also reduce the risk of staining. For daily care, vacuum the rug regularly to keep it free from fluff and dust or sand particles which will wear and tear the rug over time if not removed. Spots can be attempted to be removed by dabbing the spots very gently with a damp cloth soaked in carbonated water. In case more thorough cleaning is necessary, professional cleaning is recommended. Placing a rug in direct sunlight is not recommended as it will fade the colours of the rug over time.

### **Glass**

Daily cleaning of glass is best done using a dry soft cloth. If more severe cleaning is necessary, it is recommended to use a soft cloth in combination with a standard glass cleaning detergent and dry off with a soft dry cloth afterwards. Avoid using abrasive cleaning agents on the glass as this will damage the surface.

For mirrors, use a household glass cleaner. To avoid damaging the surface of the mirror frame, always spray the glass cleaner onto a soft cloth and clean the mirror.

### **Lacquered & powder coated metal**

The majority of the lighting products in the &Tradition collection have a lacquered or powdercoated surface. These surfaces are durable, require no maintenance and offer an endless palette of colours, textures and gloss. It is recommended only to use a soft dry cloth to clean lacquered and powder coated surfaces but in case more severe cleaning is necessary, a soft cloth wrung in lukewarm water can be carefully applied. Always dry immediately after cleaning with a soft dry cloth. Avoid using abrasive cleaning agents or aggressive cleaning detergents on lacquered or powder coated surfaces as this may permanently damage the surface.

### **Stainless steel**

Stainless steel is a classic strong corrosion resistant material that requires no surface protection and will not change its appearance over time. Dust stainless steel products for daily care using only a soft dry cloth. Cleaning of stainless steel should be done only by using a cleaning detergent specifically for stainless steel. Follow the instructions on the packaging. Cleaning agents not developed specifically for stainless steel may permanently damage the surface of the stainless steel and should never be used.

### **Brass & Copper**

For daily cleaning of coated brass and copper, it is recommended only to use a soft dry cloth. For removal of stains, soft cloth wrung in lukewarm water can be carefully applied. Always dry immediately after cleaning with a soft dry cloth. For daily cleaning of uncoated brass and copper, it is recommended only to use a soft dry cloth. In case a patina of the material is not desired, the material can be regularly cleaned and polished using a detergent specifically for brass and copper. Avoid using abrasive cleaning agents or aggressive cleaning detergents on coated and uncoated brass and copper as this will permanently damage the surface.

### **Waxed and anodized aluminium**

Both versions can be cleaned using a soft cloth wrung in lukewarm water. Always dry immediately with a soft cloth. Avoid the use of abrasive cleaning products such as steel wool or polish. Never use aggressive or abrasive cleaning detergents for any parts of the shelf, as this will cause irreparable damage.

### **Upholstery**

We recommend keeping upholstered products away from direct sunlight to avoid discolouring. In order to preserve the highly tactile and soft nature of upholstery, we suggest vacuum cleaning on a weekly basis, and when stained, spots should be soaked with water as promptly as possible. For bigger stains, place a clean towel on the spill and let it absorb as much liquid as possible. For cleaning, we recommend the use of a sponge, lukewarm water and mild detergent.

### **Linoleum**

Regular cleaning should be done with a soft cloth wrung in a mild solution of lukewarm water and a universal cleaning detergent. Avoid placing sharp objects on the surface as this may scratch the surface. It is recommended to use trivets or coasters under flowerpots, vases, cups etc.

**Laminate**

Laminate can be cleaned with a soft cloth wrung in a mild solution of lukewarm water and a universal cleaning detergent. Always wipe over with a dry soft cloth after cleaning. For difficult stains such as coffee or tea use a nylon bristle brush with mild household cleaner or detergent, rinsing with clean water and repeating as necessary. Rinse thoroughly with water. An &Tradition laminate care kit can be bought through the retailer that initially sold the furniture. The kit comes with user instructions.

**Fenix NTM Nano laminate**

This is a soft touch laminate based on nanotechnology which offers unique features such as scratch resistance, soft-touch, low light reflectivity, anti-fingerprint and much more. For more details about the unique properties of nanolaminate, as well as cleaning and maintenance refer to:

[www.fenixntm.com/en](http://www.fenixntm.com/en)