

# Care instructions for oil treated oak surfaces

***Congratulations on your new oak product! To extend the lifespan and minimize change in your new piece of furniture, we recommend you read and follow below instructions. If treated the right way the wood will last for generations.***

You cannot find two pcs of wood, that are the same. There will always be variations in color, veins, knots, structures etc. But these are all just natural characteristics that gives you your very own and unique product.

Wood is a natural material. Even after the tree has been felled and cut, the wood is still “alive”. Your new piece of furniture will be influenced by its new use and surroundings. During the dry winters, the wood will contract, and during the humid summers the wood will expand. Small cracks may appear over time, but these will have no influence on the use or lifespan of the product. Optimal conditions for the products, is a climate with approx. 22° C and a humidity of 50-55%. If your product comes with extension plates, these should be kept in the same environment.

- To avoid the wood from drying, cracking, changing color etc. it should not be placed near heat sources or in direct sun light.
- Felt pads under the legs are recommended, to avoid scratches on your floor as well as scratches underneath the legs.
- It is important not to use abrasive pads to clean the wood. Instead wipe down the surface with a clean, damp cloth. When wiping the wood, it should always be done along the veins.
- Any spills on the wood, should be wiped immediately. Leaving any type of fluid on the wood, will leave marks. It is therefore recommended to always use place mats and coasters, when placing something on the table.
- The wood has been given an oil treatment before leaving the factory. Once a year or as needed the wood can be given a refreshing oil treatment. The oil used should match the color of the table. If needed (in the case of small scratches, cracks or similar), the wood can be sanded using grain 180-240 sandpaper, before applying the oil. It might be necessary to sand again after the treatment, as the surface in some cases become a little rough after given oil.

## **Important steps when applying oil:**

1. Make sure the wood is dry and clean.
2. Sand the surface carefully using fine 180-240 sandpaper (optional)
3. Pour the oil onto a white cloth or sponge. Do not pour the oil directly onto the wood, as it will give an uneven look.
4. Apply the oil along the direction of the veins, in an even and thin layer. The whole surface should have the same treatment. Repeat if needed.
5. Wipe off excessive oil with a cotton cloth.
6. Let the wood dry for at least 12 hours, before wiping off the wood with a cotton cloth one final time. Drying time might vary depending on the oil, so follow the instructions of the oil.
7. Warning: Due to the risk of self-ignition it is important that oil wetted cloths are soaked and disposed of in a tightly closed and water filled container after use.

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Example of color differences in the wood, which adds to the unique look of each table.



Examples of natural cracks and knots. The number and size of these will vary from product to product.



Example of fillings of knots and cracks with a black paste. The paste prevents dirt and grime from accumulating in the cracks.