

CARE AND MAINTENANCE

TEAK:

Teak (*Tectona Grandis*) is a deciduous hardwood tree that is native to SouthEast Asia. Originally found naturally in several countries in the region, significant quantities are now only found in Burma. Due to its naturally high oil content, Teak is resistant to both rotting and warping when exposed to climatic extremes. For centuries, this special quality of Teak has made it the preferred choice for marine decking and construction and the premium timber for outdoor furniture.

Due to the high value of Teak, over the years it has been planted and cultivated as a cash crop in many countries including Indonesia and several in Africa and South America. Teak is not naturally found in these areas, none of which are rainforests.

CARE:

Over a few months in an outdoor environment, untreated teak will weather to a silver gray color, which is due to the action of sunlight. Many owners of teak furniture prefer this natural patina and an example is shown in the seat pictured above. The following care products may be used to retain or restore the original color of Teak and protect it as described. In the UK we recommend you contact Andrew Banks at www.andrewbanks.co.uk who will maintain your furniture using our care products if you do not wish to undertake this work yourself.

- *Products:*

- **Teak Colour Guard - 4TCG** applied annually will maintain the natural color of teak using UV inhibitors to slow the natural graying process caused by sunlight and pigments that help to maintain its natural color. This treatment must be applied before the Teak is allowed to weather or after cleaning.
 - **Teak Stain Guard – 4TSG** forms an invisible layer to protect your Teak from everyday stains such as butter, oil and red wine making cleaning easier.
 - **Teak Cleaner – 4TC** will quickly remove accumulated dirt.
 - **Teak Oil – 4TO** is the traditional method of retaining the color of Teak although its repeated application will make the Teak much darker in color and for this reason we do not recommend its repeated use.
 - **Anti-Wasp Solution – 4WS** contains vanilla essence that harmlessly deters wasps from defacing the surface of wood by harvesting the cellulose to build their nests. This product is not available in the USA.
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STAINLESS STEEL:

We make our furniture using 316 “marine grade” stainless steel to withstand the rigors of an outdoor environment. However, you should undertake regular maintenance using our care product to preserve the fine appearance of your furniture.

- *To Clean:* Cleaning once or twice a year will be adequate in most circumstances but we recommend more frequent cleaning in a coastal environment and occasionally rinsing your furniture with fresh water. Stainless steel furniture used in a chlorinated indoor environment will require frequent cleaning and is therefore not recommended.
 - *Care:*
 - **Stainless Steel Clean & Guard – 4SSCG** All Stainless Steel is susceptible to brown surface marks, which are cosmetic and do not damage the product. Remove these marks by regular cleaning with this care product, which leaves a fine layer of Teflon® to help prevent their appearance.
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ALUMINUM:

Aluminum is a strong yet light material that does not corrode or rust making it ideal for outdoor furniture that benefits from being easily moved in use. Our aluminum furniture is pre-washed, etch primed and electrostatically powder coated for an optimum, even cover before being baked in an oven to fix the finish. This process prevents oxidation and gives an attractive, hard wearing surface and the possibility to offer varied color themes.

- *Care:*
 - **Aluminum Cleaner – 4AC** Aluminium may be washed with soapy water or treated with our Powder Coated Aluminum Cleaner, supplied with an application pad.
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WOVEN:

We use the finest synthetic material for our Woven Furniture that is hand-woven over a powder coated aluminum frame to produce splendid furniture that is strong, color fast and entirely resistant to sun and rain.

- *Care:*
 - **Textilene® and Woven Non-Foam Cleaner – 4WTC** This cleaner maintains Textilene and Woven furniture without any unsightly residue.
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BRAIDED CORD:

Our round braided cord is made from Textilene® and Diversatex® branded yarns that use non-stretch polyester with a PVC coating. This material is ideal for outdoor furniture being light in weight, resistant to UV light, mold and waterproof with a deserved reputation for durability and strength.

- *Care:*
 - **Textilene® and Woven Non-Foam Cleaner – 4WTC** This cleaner maintains Textilene and Woven furniture without any unsightly residue.
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TEXTILENE® SLING:

We manufacture the slings for our aluminum, teak and stainless steel furniture from high quality Textilene® brand material that is made from PVC coated polyester yarn. This material is strong and durable with a high resistance to mildew in a damp environment. Textilene® is fire resistant and requires very little maintenance.

- **Care:**
 - **Textilene® and Woven Non-Foam Cleaner** - This cleaner maintains Textilene and Woven furniture without any unsightly residue.
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COVERS:

Our furniture covers are made using WeatherMAX-LT®, a modified highly UV-resistant polyester fabric offering superior strength and durability with long-term color retention. This fabric is the industry's most balanced and cost-effective fabric available for outdoor applications requiring high water repellency and excellent breathability; the perfect choice for outdoor furniture covers where lightness and ease of storage offer an advantage. These lightweight, one-way breathable covers allow trapped moisture to disperse, but prevent rain and dust from penetrating. A unique fastening ensures a secure fit. The life and good looks of the cover depend a great deal on the way it is used and how it is cared for. The covers are easy to put on and remove, and can be stored in their own pouch when not required.

- **Hints:**
 - If the furniture has any sharp corners or edges, place foam rubber on the sharp edge to reduce risk of puncture or abrasion of the covers.
 - For table and chair combinations, placing an object, such as a beach ball, under the center of the cover can help with water drainage.
 - When covering the Dune daybed and ottoman please ensure that the ottoman and cushion are placed on top of the base cushion before covering.
Note: covers for standard dining groups are designed to cover the furniture with the chairs not under the table. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for delivery
 - **Features:**
 - WeatherMAX-LT®, a modified highly UV-resistant polyester fabric
 - Lightweight, one-way breathable covers allow trapped moisture to disperse
 - Unique fastening ensures a secure fit
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CUSHIONS:

- **To Clean:** One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella® fabrics looking good is to hose fabrics off on a monthly basis with clean water. This helps prevent dirt from becoming deeply embedded in the fabric and eliminates the need for more frequent vigorous cleaning. In most environments, a thorough cleaning will be needed every two to three years.

While Sunbrella fabric offers excellent protection against stains, full removal is not always guaranteed if spills are not addressed promptly. Protect the area round the Sunbrella fabric when using a bleach solution – bleach may discolor non-Sunbrella fabrics. Always rinse Sunbrella thoroughly to completely remove bleach.

*****Please be aware of the environment when cleaning with bleach. Bleach can have harmful effects on the natural environment around you. We do not advise using bleach if you are surrounded by a body of water or other environment that could be affected*****

Sunbrella should only be allowed to air dry. Use of bleach and/or advanced age of the fabric application may impact the deterioration of the sewing thread and other non-Sunbrella components. For more information, call 336.221.2211

MARINE TOPS & COVERS:

When it's time for a thorough cleaning, Sunbrella fabrics can be cleaned while still on a boat or, size permitting, they can be removed for cleaning dockside.

- **To Clean:** To clean Sunbrella while still on a boat, follow these simple steps:
 - Brush off loose dirt.
 - Hose down.
 - Prepare a cleaning solution of water and mild soap such as Woolite® or Dawn® dishwashing liquid.
 - Use a soft bristle brush to clean.
 - Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
 - Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
 - Air dry.
 - May not require retreatment depending on the age of the fabric.
- **Stubborn Stains:** If stubborn spills persist, you can use a diluted bleach/soap mixture for spot cleaning of mildew. For roof run-off or other similar spills a strong degreaser may be required. See our *Cleaning Guide* for specific recommendations: sunbrella.com/cleaningguide
- **Spills & Mildew:** Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric. To clean stubborn spills:
 - Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of clean water.
 - Allow the mixture to soak into the fabric for up to 15 minutes.
 - Blot spill with a sponge or clean towel.
*****Note: This step should be avoided when cleaning the coated side (Back side) of Sunbrella Plus, Supreme, or Clarity*****
 - Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
 - Air dry.

****Note:** Use caution when cleaning the coated (underside) of Sunbrella Plus, Supreme, or Clarity with the recommended bleach solution. The coated side of the fabric should only be sprayed with the recommended bleach solution and rinsed thoroughly**

- **Retreating Sunbrella Fabrics:** Sunbrella fabrics are engineered to provide long-term performance. After repeated thorough cleanings, or years of use and exposure, you may choose to refresh your fabrics with an appropriate retreating agent. We recommend **303® Fabric Guard™**, available in the United States, and **Tex'Aktiv**, available internationally
 - Applying a retreatment:
 - Clean Sunbrella fabric, using one of the cleaning methods outlined.
 - Allow Sunbrella to completely air dry.
 - Apply retreatment in a well-ventilated area following instructions on the container.
 - **Professional Cleaners:** You may have access to professional cleaning firms. In evaluating the services of a professional firm, you should inquire about a firm's experience in working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.
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AWNINGS & SHADE:

When it's time for a thorough cleaning, Sunbrella fabrics can be cleaned while still on an awning frame or, size permitting, they can be removed to aid in the cleaning of stubborn spills or for professional cleaning.

- **To clean:** To clean Sunbrella while still on an awning frame:
 - Brush off loose dirt.
 - Hose down.
 - Prepare a cleaning solution of water and mild soap such as Woolite® or Dawn® dishwashing liquid.
 - Use a soft bristle brush to clean.
 - Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
 - Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
 - Air dry.
 - May not require re-treatment depending on the age of the fabric.
- **Stubborn Stains:** If stubborn spills persist, you can use a diluted bleach/soap mixture for spot cleaning of mildew. For roof run-off or other similar spills a strong degreaser may be required.

See our Cleaning Guide for specific recommendations: sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

- **Spills & Mildew:** Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.
- **Stubborn Spills:** To clean stubborn spills:
 - Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of clean water.
 - Allow the mixture to soak into fabric for up to 15 minutes.
 - Clean with a soft bristle brush.

****Note: This step should be avoided when cleaning the coated side (Back side) of Sunbrella Plus, Supreme, or Clarity****

- Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
- Air dry.
- Repeat if necessary.
- Re-treatment of fabric for water and stain resistance will be necessary after using bleach solution.

****Note: Use caution when cleaning the coated (underside) of Sunbrella Plus, Supreme, or Clarity with the recommended bleach solution. The coated side of the fabric should only be sprayed with the recommended bleach solution and rinsed thoroughly****

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 - Applying a retreatment:
 - Clean Sunbrella fabric, using one of the cleaning methods outlined.
 - Allow Sunbrella to completely air dry.
 - Apply retreatment in a well-ventilated area following instructions on the container.
 - **Professional Awning Cleaners:** You may have access to professional awning cleaning firms. In evaluating the services of a professional firm, you should inquire about a firm's experience in working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.
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SLING:

When it's time for a thorough cleaning, Sunbrella fabrics can be cleaned while still on a boat or, size permitting, they can be removed for cleaning dockside.

- **Spills:**
 - Rinse with clean water.
 - Prepare a solution of ¼ cup mild soap (Dawn® or Woolite®) per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a soft bristle brush to clean the fabric.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.
 - Repeat as necessary.

- **Mold & Mildew:** Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric.

To remove mold and mildew:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and ¼ cup mild soap per gallon of water.
- Spray on the entire area and allow the solution to sit for 15 minutes. Continue to spray the area if it begins to dry too quickly.
- Clean the entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.

- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.

For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased. It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and residue. For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable.

Specific information on spill cleaning is available at sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

UPHOLSTERY:

When it's time for a thorough cleaning, Sunbrella fabrics can be cleaned while still on a boat or, size permitting, they can be removed for cleaning dockside.

- *Spills:*

- Blot (don't rub) liquid spills with a clean, dry cloth.
- For oil-based spills, apply an absorbent such as corn starch, then remove with a straight edge.
- Spray on a mild cleaning solution of soap (such as Dawn® or Woolite®) and water.
- Rinse the fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.

Though Sunbrella fabrics can be used both outdoors and in, your cleaning methods should differ slightly indoors and out because of the fabrication and manufacturing of the furniture. We recommend using the appropriate cleaning instructions for your application.

- *Outdoor Upholstery:*

- Removable Fabric:

Hand Washing:

- Soak fabric in a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water.
- Use a sponge or very soft bristle brush to lightly agitate the spill.
- Then rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue, and allow fabric to air dry.

Machine Washing: Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary.

Machine Washing:

- First close all zippers.
- Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent. For severe mold or mildew, add 1 cup of bleach.
- Allow fabric to air dry.

- Non-Removable Fabric:

- Prepare a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water.
- Use a soft bristle brush to clean, allowing the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.

- Seam-To-Seam Cleaning: When cleaning upholstered pieces, clean the entire surface area of the fabric, from seam to seam, instead of rubbing the fabric in a circular motion on the spill. This method, along with an extractor, may be required in order to avoid water rings and residue.
- Mold and Mildew: Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric.

To remove mold or mildew:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
- Spray on the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
- Clean the entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.

For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased. It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and residue. For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable. Specific information on spill cleaning is available at sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

- *Indoor Upholstery:*

- To Clean:
 - Apply a light mist of mild soap and water using a spray bottle.
 - Work the solution into the spill by lightly agitating the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam, with a sponge or very soft bristle brush. Avoid scrubbing, and do not use a hard bristled brush or anything that will abrade the fabric.
 - Rinse the entire fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
 - Blot or wet-vacuum excess water from the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam.
 - Air dry.
 - Repeat rinsing and blotting until all soap residue is removed.
- Professional Cleaners: Inquire about a firm's experience working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.
- Machine Washing: Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary.
 - To wash, first close all zippers.
 - Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.

- Seam-To-Seam Cleaning: When cleaning upholstered pieces, clean the entire surface area of the fabric, from seam to seam, instead of rubbing the fabric in a circular motion on the spill. This method, along with an extractor, may be required in order to avoid water rings and residue.
- Oil-Based Spills:
 - Immediately apply an absorbent such as corn starch directly on the oil-based spill.
 - Let sit for 10 minutes and remove the excess using a straight edge or ruler. This helps remove the spill and prevents it from being pressed into the fabric.
 - Then proceed with the cleaning process.

For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable. Specific information on spill cleaning is available at Sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

CONTOUR:

- *To Clean*: Brush off any loose dirt.
 - Prepare a cleaning solution of 1/4 cup mild soap, such as **Woolite®** or **Dawn®** dishwashing liquid, per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a sponge to clean.
 - Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
- *Heavy Cleaning for Stubborn Spills and Mildew*:
 - The Sunbrella Contour fabric will not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.
- *To clean stubborn spills*:
 - Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
 - Spray on the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
 - Remove spill with a sponge or clean towel
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
 - If spill and/or mildew are severe, bleach quantities may be increased.

DO NOT dry clean Sunbrella fabrics.

DO NOT apply any solvent-based cleaning solution such as acetone, liquid fuels, paint thinner, mineral spirits or turpentine to Sunbrella Contour.

HORIZON:

- *Method 1:*
 - Brush off any loose dirt.
 - Prepare a cleaning solution of 1/4 cup mild soap, such as **Woolite®** or **Dawn®** dishwashing liquid, per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a sponge to clean.
- *Method 2:*
 - Clean with a soapy water solution, such as 4 ml (1 teaspoon) of mild soap (e.g. **Woolite®** or **Dawn®**) to 250 ml (1 cup) of water.
 - Blot excess moisture with a clean, dry towel, soft cloth or napkin.
 - For stubborn stains, use isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol.
 - Rinse thoroughly with water until all soap is removed.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
- *Method 3:*
 - Clean with **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**.
 - Blot excess moisture with a clean, dry towel, soft cloth or napkin.
 - For stubborn stains, use isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol.
 - Rinse thoroughly with water until all soap is removed.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
- *Method 4 (Heavy Cleaning):* Sunbrella Horizon fabric does not promote mildew growth. However, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.
 - For mildew and other stubborn stains:
 - Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach: 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
 - Apply and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
 - Remove stain with a non-abrasive sponge, towel or very soft bristle brush.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
 - If stain and/or mildew are severe, bleach quantities may be increased.
 - If necessary, acetone may be used to remove nail polish.
- *Disinfection:*
 - Sanitize using a 10:1 solution of water to bleach.
 - Common disinfectants such as **hydrogen peroxide**, **Neosporin®**, **Betadine®** and **iodine** can be used.
- *Professional Cleaner:* In evaluating the services of a professional firm, you should inquire about the firm's experience in working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.
- *Sunbrella® Horizon™ Cleaning Guide:* This chart contains our recommended cleaning methods of Sunbrella Horizon fabric for common spills and messes. For best cleaning results, spills should be cleaned as soon as they occur. Set-in stains may require professional

cleaning. After cleaning with any solution, always rinse fabric thoroughly.

****Please refer to the Care and Cleaning Guide for detailed method cleaning instructions****

Spill/Mess	Cleaning Solutions	Spill/Mess	Cleaning Solutions	Spill/Mess	Cleaning Solutions
BBQ Sauce	Method 2 or Method 3	Betadine®	Method 2	Calamine Lotion	Method 2
Chocolate	Method 2 or Method 3	Coffee	Method 2 or Method 3	Cola	Method 2 or Method 3
Gear Lube	Method 2 or Method 3	Grape Jelly	Method 2 or Method 3	Grape Lollipop	Method 2 or Method 3
Hand Sanitizer	Method 2 or Method 3	Ink	Method 1 (cleaning eraser sponges/pads)	Iodine	Method 2 or Method 3
Italian Salad Dressing	Method 2 or Method 3	Ketchup	Method 2 or Method 3	Lipstick	Method 1 (cleaning eraser sponges/pads)
Mayonnaise	Method 2 or Method 3	Mildew	Method 4	Mold	Method 4
Motor Oil	Method 3	Mustard	Method 2 or Method 3	Nail Polish	Method 4 (if needed, acetone)
Neosporin	Method 2	Pasta Sauce	Method 2 or Method 3	Pencil	Method 1 (art gum eraser)
Phenolic Cleaner	Method 2 or Method 3	Popcorn Butter	Method 1 (cornstarch / remove excess with a straight edge) or Method 3	Quat Cleaner	Method 2 or Method 3
Raspberry Fruit Spread	Method 2 or Method 3	Red Clay	Method 3	Red Wine	Method 2 or Method 3
Salsa	Method 2 or Method 3	Sunscreen Lotion	Method 2 or Method 3	Tomato Sauce	Method 2 or Method 3

MARINE INTERIORS:

- **To Clean:**
 - Brush off any loose dirt.
 - Prepare a cleaning solution of 1/4 cup mild soap, such as Woolite® or Dawn® dishwashing liquid, per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a sponge or a soft bristle brush to clean.

- Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Allow fabric to air dry.
- *Spot Cleaning:*
 - Apply a light mist of mild soap and water using a spray bottle.
 - Work the solution into the spill by lightly scrubbing the area with a sponge or very soft bristle brush.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
 - Wet-vacuum or blot excess water.
 - Air dry.
 - Repeat steps 3 and 4 until all soap residue is removed.
- *For Removable Sunbrella Fabric:*
 - Hand Washing:
 - Soak fabric in a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a sponge or a soft bristle brush as necessary.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Air dry.
 - Machine Washing:
 - Machine wash in cold water. Depending on wash load size, use normal amounts of mild laundry detergent and add 1 cup of bleach.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
- *Mold & Mildew:* Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.

To clean stubborn spills:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
- Spray on the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
- Remove spill with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue. Allow fabric to air dry.

For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable.

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- *Re-treating Fabric:* Sunbrella fabrics are engineered to provide long-term performance. After repeated thorough cleanings, or years of use and exposure, you may choose to refresh your fabrics with an appropriate retreating agent. We recommend **303® Fabric Guard™**, available in the United States, and **Tex'Aktiv**, available internationally.

Applying Re-treatment:

- Clean Sunbrella fabric, using one of the cleaning methods outlined.
- Allow Sunbrella to completely air dry. Apply retreatment in a well-ventilated area following instructions on the container.

- *Professional Cleaning:* In evaluating the services of a professional firm, you should inquire about the firm's experience in working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.

****DO NOT dry clean Sunbrella fabrics****

KNITS:

- *New Spill:*
 - Blot (don't rub) liquid spills with a clean, dry cloth. For oil-based spills, apply an absorbent such as corn starch, then remove with a straight edge.
 - Spray on a mild cleaning solution of soap (such as Dawn® or Woolite®) and water.
 - Rinse the fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
 - Air dry.
- *Stubborn Stains:* Though Sunbrella fabrics can be used both outdoors and in, your cleaning methods should differ slightly indoors and out because of the fabrication and manufacturing of the furniture. We recommend using the appropriate cleaning instructions for your application.
- *Outdoor Upholstery:*
 - Removable Fabric:

Hand Washing:

 - Soak fabric in a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a sponge or very soft bristle brush to lightly agitate the spill.
 - Then rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue, and allow fabric to air dry.

Machine Washing: Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary.

To wash:

 - First close all zippers.
 - Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent. For severe mold or mildew, add 1 cup of bleach.
 - Allow fabric to air dry.
 - Non-Removable Fabric:
 - Prepare a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water.
 - Use a soft bristle brush to clean, allowing the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric.
 - Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.
 - Seam-To-Seam Cleaning: When cleaning upholstered pieces, clean the entire surface area of the fabric, from seam to seam, instead of rubbing the fabric in a circular motion on the spill. This method, along with an extractor, may be required in order to avoid water rings and residue.

- Mold and Mildew: Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric.

To remove mold or mildew:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water.
- Spray on the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
- Clean the entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.

For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased. It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and residue.

For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable. Specific information on spill cleaning is available at sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

- *Indoor Upholstery:*

- To Clean:

- Apply a light mist of mild soap and water using a spray bottle.
- Work the solution into the spill by lightly agitating the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam, with a sponge or very soft bristle brush. Avoid scrubbing, and do not use a hard bristled brush or anything that will abrade the fabric.
- Rinse the entire fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
- Blot or wet-vacuum excess water from the entire surface area of the fabric, moving from seam to seam.
- Air dry.
- Repeat rinsing and blotting until all soap residue is removed.

- Professional Cleaners: Inquire about a firm's experience working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning and re-treatment requirements.

- Machine Washing: Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary.

- To wash, first close all zippers.
- Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent.
- Allow fabric to air dry.

- Seam-To-Seam Cleaning: When cleaning upholstered pieces, clean the entire surface area of the fabric, from seam to seam, instead of rubbing the fabric in a circular motion on the spill. This method, along with an extractor, may be required in order to

avoid water rings and residue.

○ Oil-Based Spills:

- Immediately apply an absorbent such as corn starch directly on the oil-based spill.
- Let sit for 10 minutes and remove the excess using a straight edge or ruler. This helps remove the spill and prevents it from being pressed into the fabric.
- Then proceed with the cleaning process.

For other spills, products such as **303® Multi-Surface Cleaner**, **Dawn®**, or **Resolve®** are applicable. Specific information on spill cleaning is available at sunbrella.com/cleaningguide

ALLOY DECORATIVE SHADE FABRICS (With PVC):

One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella® Shade fabrics that contain PVC looking good and to delay deep or vigorous cleanings is to properly maintain the fabrics. This can be accomplished by simply brushing off dirt before it becomes embedded in the fabrics.

● *To Clean:*

- Brush off loose dirt.
- Hose down.
- Prepare a cleaning solution of water and mild soap such as **Woolite®** or **Dawn®** dishwashing liquid.
- Use a sponge to clean.
- Allow the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric. Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
- Air dry.

- *Stubborn Stains, Spills, & Mildew:* Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric.

To clean stubborn spills:

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of clean water.
- Allow the mixture to soak into the fabric for up to 15 minutes.
- Remove the spill with a sponge or clean towel.
- Rinse thoroughly until all soap residue is removed.
- Allow fabric to air dry.
- If spill and/or mildew is severe, bleach quantities may be increased. Isopropyl alcohol can also be used to spot clean stubborn spills, using a sponge or towel.

****DO NOT** dry clean Sunbrella fabrics******

****DO NOT** apply any solvent-based cleaning solutions to Sunbrella Shade fabrics that contain PVC, as it may accelerate the aging and degradation of the fabric. These items would include chemicals such as acetone, liquid fuels, paint thinner, mineral spirits and turpentine******

