

Garden Trading®

Acacia Wood Furniture Customer Guide

Acacia Wood:

Wood is a living material and Acacia wood is mostly used for outdoors, so it's bound to be exposed to various elements. When exposed to rain or humid environments it will expand. When exposed to sun or dry air environment it will contract. Exposure to these elements can cause minor cracks, chips, peels, or splinters in your Acacia furniture. This process is called warping. This process is natural and unavoidable. However, with regular maintenance which involves cleaning to remove any substances such as water, food or animal droppings, from your furniture with a soft cloth and water, you can maintain your Acacia furniture and increase its life for years.

Maintenance of Acacia Antique Brushed Finishing:

For furniture which has been produced with an antique brushed finish, small scratches will blend into the existing finish and can in some cases be desirable in adding character to the piece.

If you are unable to avoid a deep scratch in the surface of your furniture use a wood repair stain, wood repair marker or wood repair stencil in a colour that best matches the timber, and follow the manufacturer's instructions to match the colour of the exposed wood in the scratch to the rest of the finish to lessen the appearance of the scratch.

Do not sand down the piece of furniture. It is a five-step finish that is applied by professionals during production. If you sand the furniture, you will sand off the top layers, exposing the lighter colour layers underneath, damaging the furniture permanently.

If you would like to restore the finish of an entire piece, please seek the help of a professional restorer.

Covers:

We recommend buying protective covers that go on your furniture while outdoors.

Ideally, you will want to store your furniture when not in use. However, this is not always practical so the next best thing is to use waterproof covers that also block UV rays.

Most covers are made of synthetic materials and come with adjustable straps and fasteners to hold them in place.

However, avoid covering the furniture with protective covers for long intervals, as this can cause mould or mould attacks on the furniture.

Storage During Winter:

Wood shrinks and expands after humidity, this is natural. The furniture is designed according to the climate we usually have in the summer. When storing the furniture, do not place in centrally heated rooms as this will cause the wood to dry out and possibly shrink. Cool, well-ventilated sheds are the most suitable environment for the furniture.

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