

Maintenance

Benchtops

Timber benchtops are warm to touch and will age beautifully with time. Our tops can be polished upon request, with a Two Pack Polyurethane finish, that protects the surface, usually giving a higher gloss finish. It is more durable and requires less maintenance than an oiled timber benchtop. A two pack finish forms an impenetrable protective film on the surface of the timber. This film provides a high level of protection.

Never let wear go through the protective coating of the top. It is important to recoat the timber, before the surface is exposed. A light sand and recoat will make the top look like new. If the coating is worn through to the timber then the top should be resanded back to raw timber and coated as if it was a new top.

Everyday cleaning of tops - just use a damp cloth with a little detergent.

To maintain tops, you can use a good furniture polish, which can be used several times throughout the year, when you feel your tops need a little TLC.

Front Entrance Doors

For front doors, always check for any cloudy lacquer or splits. These should be rectified immediately by sanding and recoating.



All timber doors and benchtops have three needs:

1. To be protected from damage.
2. To be kept clean.
3. To be kept away from direct sunlight and excessive water.

Please Note: existing tops can always be brought back to their pristine condition. Timber never loses it's beauty. Overtime the natural colours of timber can sometimes fade.

Cleaning Tips

Here are the recommended steps for cleaning and protecting timber.

Please follow manufacturer's directions for use of polish.

1. Dispense the polish onto a clean white, lint-free cloth – preferably of natural fibre such as cotton. Use the polish sparingly, a little goes a long way.
2. Wipe the polish onto the doors or benchtops following the direction of the grain. Wipe off excess polish with the other side of the cloth, or a second cloth if needed.
3. Avoid excessive rubbing. Excessive rubbing can actually be detrimental to matt finishes, as it causes uneven shine.

Regular polishing with a good oil-based polish will help maintain the appearance and protective properties of the finish. How often you need to clean will depend on how it is used. Recommended every 6-18 months.

Instructions

- Do not use bleach or abrasive cleaners, as they will damage the polish.
- For minor spills, wipe over with a damp cloth and use a small amount of water. You can occasionally use a small amount of detergent with the water if need be. Work on a small area at a time and dry the timber as you go.
- Do clean up spills immediately, especially stain causing spills such as beetroot, berry juices, bleach, oven cleaners, dishwasher detergents and artificial dyes, etc. Prompt action is necessary for spills.
- Avoid silicon-based furniture polishes. Silicone can also seep through the finish into the timber and interfere with future refinishing.
- Use cutting boards which are available for \$40.00, species is dependent on stock available at the time of enquiry.

