



THE SOUTHSIDE WOODSHOP

How to Care for Your Wood Surface

Solid wood countertops and butcher blocks require care specific to the type of finish applied. Both finishes are susceptible to damage from heat so be sure to keep hot pans, pots, and other items off your wood countertop.

Food Safe Mineral Oil

Surfaces with this finish will need to be reoiled on a regular basis to protect the integrity of the countertop and to protect against water intrusion and staining. Typically, a reapplication of oil is required every one to two months and should be done as soon as you notice the surface looking "dry". Simply flood the surface with mineral oil (available at drug stores), let it soak into the wood for a few minutes, and wipe dry. Be sure to safely dispose of oily rags as they can self-combust.

Spills should be wiped up immediately and liquids should not be allowed to stand on the surface for any extended length of time.

Clean with warm, soapy water and wipe dry. A small amount of bleach or vinegar may be added to increase cleaning power.

Any imperfections - stains, dents, etc. - can be sanded out and the top made to look new again. To do so use 150 grit sandpaper on the affected area (being sure to sand in the direction of the grain) and reoil to make look like new.



Permanent Finish

Our permanent finish is a maintenance-free product that is water-proof and resistant to most household chemicals and foods that typically stain. Special care must be taken in the first month of use. The finish has not fully cured and will be more susceptible to damage. Use only soapy water to clean your countertop during this period.

Warranty

Our wood countertops and butcher blocks are built for a lifetime of enjoyment and use and come with a lifetime warranty against any manufacturing mistake. This guarantee does not cover the finish, which must be maintained and not abused. Also, we will not guarantee wood surfaces that are installed in unconditioned spaces, or spaces that are subjected to excessive humidity or dryness. Furthermore, we are not responsible for improper care, use, or installation. We reserve the right to qualify all claims and will not be liable for associated costs that include, but are not limited to, transportation, labor and other charges related to the wood surface.



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