

NEW PERSPECTIVES ON TIMELESS PIECES

MAINTENANCE AND CARE



Furniture from Sibast Furniture is designed and manufactured to last for generations. It is made with the same attention to detail, craftsmanship and high quality as our ancestors. To ensure it ages gracefully and with the longest lifespan, it is important that it is properly maintained and cared for as recommended here.

All furniture included in the Sibast Furniture collection is made out of natural material such as wood, fabric and leather. This means that differences will occur in both finishes and material and that natural markings in the leather hides as well as natural variations in the surface of the wood and the colour of the finishes must be expected and appreciated.

## WOOD

### SOAP-TREATMENT

Soap-treated furniture must be maintained and cared for regularly. Ideally and to obtain the best result we recommend that you treat your Sibast chairs or tables with soap even before you start to use it. This will make the surface of the furniture stronger, improve the durability of the wood and make it more resistant. Then hereafter we recommend you to repeat and continue the soap maintenance every 4-6 weeks depending on the use of the furniture. Regular soap treatment is recommended, as it will improve the woods natural durability.

It is important that when treating the furniture with soap, the soap mixture must not be too strong or concentrated, as the soap can react with the tannin in the wood and turn it into a darker colour.

To purchase soap mixture and sanding sponges please contact the nearest Sibast Furniture dealer.

For everyday care, use a clean soft cloth soaked in luke warm water and tightly wrung.

### MAINTENANCE AND CARE:

- 1) Start by lightly sanding the surface of the chair or table with a sanding sponge or very fine sandpaper in the direction of the wood grains. We recommend using no more than sponge grade 180 or sanding paper grain 240. After sanding, wipe the furniture with a clean, dry cloth to remove residual dust.
- 2) Shake the mixture of soap well before use and apply the soap with a dry cloth or sponge in the direction of the wood grains.
- 3) Be sure to apply the soap on all surfaces and edges of the furniture pieces to prevent uneven drying. Uneven drying and uneven moisture exposure to the wood can result in cracks and warping of the furniture. Especially tables are important to treat both underneath/underside the top as well as on the table top and all edges and legs to prevent damage and cracks. During the dry winter season, crosscut edge ends should be treated more frequently to avoid drying out and cracking.
- 4) Wait for 10 minutes for the soap to dry in.
- 5) Use a clean sponge or cloth soaked in hot water and tightly wrung to remove any excess soap. Hereafter allow the furniture piece to dry.
- 6) It is possible that the wood fibres rise slightly after the first few soap treatments. If so, use a sanding sponge or fine sandpaper to rub down in the direction of the wood grains the entire piece of furniture. We recommend using no more than sponge grade 180 or sanding paper grain 240. After sanding, the furniture must be given a second soap treatment.

NOTICE: Never apply oil, wax or lacquer of any kind to soap treated furniture. Do not use any types of chemicals, cleaning agents or steel wool on the furniture.

## ANILINE LEATHER - DUNES

Type Aniline leather

Thickness 1.1 – 1.3 mm

Surface A natural bare and elegant, matt surface with a somewhat velvety look and feel

Aniline leather is made of raw hides of the highest quality. The leather has a completely natural bare surface, where all the natural markings are visible, for example insect marks. This highlights the unique character of the leather while giving this exclusive material a rustic charm. The leather's natural grain structure is preserved, which means that it 'breathes' and therefore provides optimum sitting comfort.

The DUNES collection has received the Nordic Swan Ecolabel. A highly-respected certification verifying that it meets their rigorous requirements regarding the environment, use of energy and resources.

A special process involving sanding, buffing and applying a special type of leather oil to the surface of DUNES gives it a smooth and velvety touch. At the same time, DUNES boasts a matt look that's raw with a touch of understated elegance.

Part of DUNES appeal are the natural markings which bring a unique personality to each hide. The colours will also vary from hide to hide and with each individual hide. Delicious patina that will appear over time as a result of the leather's exposure to daylight, interior lighting and usage. The more you use DUNES, the more the leather becomes shinier and smoother.

### CLEANING

Only vacuum clean with a soft brush. Never use soap or water otherwise the velvety look and feel will disappear. Do not apply leather grease or soak the leather. Avoid any chemical products, such as saddle soap, other leather cleaners or household products. Protect from direct sunlight, excessive heat and sharp objects

### STAIN REMOVAL

If you are unlucky, it is important to remove the stain immediately. Use a clean dry cloth to absorb any spills. Never use detergents, ammonia, oils, polish, varnish, etc. on your leather.

## SEMI-ANILINE LEATHER - SPECTRUM HONEY

Type Semi-Aniline leather

Thickness 1.0 – 1.2 mm

Surface Matt, smooth surface with a very subtle texture.

Semi-aniline leather has been given a light protective top coat. The treatment makes the leather more robust, easier to maintain and ensures good wearing qualities. The leather has the same natural look as aniline leather and is very comfortable.

SPECTRUM is a soft semi-aniline leather with a subtle texture that looks more uniform, thanks to a light surface finish that works to protect the leather from dirt, stains and any fading resulting from exposure to light. SPECTRUM is ideal for designers and architects, as it can be used in a broad range of industries. From commercial spaces, including entire shopping centres and boutiques to business settings, such as offices and reception areas, to hotels and restaurants, public buildings and the healthcare sector, as well as cultural institutions and private residences.

### CLEANING

Use a vacuum cleaner once or twice a month with a soft brush to remove any dust.

Once or twice a year we recommend you to maintain and clean, using the foam from soap flakes.

1) Use a 1/2 decilitre of high quality soap flakes to a litre of water. Whip the soap flakes into hot water.

2) When the water becomes room temperature, apply the foam all over the leather. Do not apply the foam directly on the leather but use a soft clean cloth. Only use the foam and avoid soaking the leather, minimizing any contact with water.

3) When the leather is dry, polish it with a soft, dry cotton cloth

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## PROTECTIVE LEATHER - VICTORY

Type Protected leather

Thickness 1.3 – 1.5 mm

Surface Very strong and durable with a uniform surface grain

VICTORY is surprisingly soft yet sturdy protected leather. In terms of durability, VICTORY suits the private residence, but also public areas, institutions and heavy trafficked environments. The protected treatment the leather has endured makes it more robust, easier to maintain and ensures good wearing qualities. Protected/pigmented leather is comfortable and has only a few visible natural markings. It is easy to maintain, practical and strong as long as it is treated properly.

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