

# **Caring for Your Explorer Collection Products**

The **Seasonal Living Explorer Collection** is manufactured from plantation-grown, Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)-certified Eucalyptus wood. Some pieces in the collection also include synthetic solid surfaces or soft polypropylene roping. Exposure to the elements will cause all materials to weather. Wood surfaces contract and expand, causing the grain to lift slightly. They will gradually weather to a soft silver-gray color. None of these changes affect the quality, durability, or integrity of the furniture.

## Features

- Explorer Collection furniture is designed for residential use only. It is not designed for commercial or contract use.
- Explorer wood furniture frames are made with FSC-certified Eucalyptus wood.
- Frames are hand-wrapped with 100% recyclable polypropylene or other woven fiber.
- Cushions are constructed from viscose fiber technology cores.
- Cushion covers are made of recyclable spun polyester fabric.
- Solid surfaces are made from Superstone, a faux concrete product.
- All Explorer furniture is designed for full outdoor exposure to normal weather conditions.

• Follow all product use instructions, assembly directions, care guidelines, product warnings, and other instructions supplied with the products.

## Care

• Clean wood frames using mild soapy water and a soft brush or pad to clean away accumulated dirt. Rinse with clean water and allow to dry naturally. Follow the same process for immediate stain cleanup.

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- Never allow wooden frames to sit in pools of water or on continually wet surfaces.
- Clean woven polypropylene fiber by sweeping away dirt with a soft-bristled hand brush.

• Clean regatta roping 2-3 times per year by gently washing with cool, clean water and nondyed dish soap. Rinse thoroughly and allow to dry naturally. Do not use pressure washers or other high-power water jets.

• Keep woven fibers and roping away from heaters, heating devices, and open fire to maintain fiber elasticity.

• Wipe solid surfaces with cool, clean water, a soft rag and non-dyed dish soap. Rinse well and dry excess water with a soft cloth.

• Use high-quality, breathable furniture covers to protect furniture when not in use.

- Avoid acidic or oily substances coming into contact with woven fiber or cushion covers.
- Only use furniture on level surfaces and do not rock back and forth on any type of seating.

• Do not climb, stand, or jump on or off furniture. Do not sit on tables, chair arms, or seat backs. Chairs and stools are designed for seating only one person at any time. Never use furniture as a stepladder.

• Keep children from playing on or around furniture and packaging materials.

• Do not lift pieces of furniture alone. Always get adult assistance to unpack, assemble, set up, and move any piece of furniture.

• Always follow all assembly and safe handling instructions to move and install tables. Remove table top before moving table base and re-installing.

• Never pick at, cut, or play with woven fiber. Keep sharp objects and cutting tools away from furniture.

• Do not leave sun or reading glasses on woven fiber outdoors. They can magnify sunrays and burn the fiber.

### We Recommend

- Regularly inspect all furniture for cracks, tears, defects, rips or cuts to roping.
- Periodically check all fitting and screws to ensure they are tight.
- Never drag furniture across a floor or surface and do not pull furniture by the woven fiber.

• Store furniture under cover in a cool, dry place during winter and inclement weather. Make sure that furniture is completely dry before storing.

If indoor storage is not possible, cover furniture with a professional-grade furniture covers.

• Do not enclose furniture in plastic or non-permeable materials, in order to prevent mildew and mold from forming.

• Clean furniture after storing, rinse thoroughly and allow to dry naturally. When dry, apply a thin coating of UV-protection hardwood oil or top coat to wood frames. Allow to dry thoroughly before use.

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## **Care of Polyester Cushion Covers**

• Clean polyester cushion covers and upholstery weekly, using a soft brush or vacuum.

• Wash cushion covers at least twice yearly. Machine wash on gentle in lukewarm water (100°F/40°C). Allow to air-dry and iron on low heat (230°F/110°C) if desired.

• In case of spills on spun polyester fabrics, blot immediately with a clean cloth, working from the outside of the spill toward the middle to prevent rings.

- For stains, treat with an enzyme agent—wipe gently and rinse thoroughly.
- Never dry clean or tumble dry cushion covers.
- Do not clean with detergents, harsh chemicals, or bleach.
- If zippers stick, use dry candle wax or dry, white soap tablets to lubricate the zipper.

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