



Care & Cleaning Guide

Recommended Maintenance

Stain Finish

Use a mild wood cleaner such as original Murphy® Oil Soap diluted with warm water and applied with a microfiber cloth.

Paint Finish

Only use a mild cleaner such as Ivory® Soap diluted with warm water and applied with a microfiber cloth.



Daily Care

Cleaning up spills, drips and grease immediately will prevent stains on your cabinet finish. Prolonged exposure to food, water or other liquids can cause permanent discoloration or damage.



Long Term Care

Thoroughly clean cabinet exteriors once or twice a year. It's best to work on one small area at a time, using a damp cloth. Rinse frequently and dry each area immediately after cleaning.



Touch Up

CliqStudios provides a complimentary touch-up kit for these minor repairs for Signature and Signature Plus cabinets. Please carefully read the touch-up kit instructions before using.



Solution Mix

For extra grime fighting, a mild solution of dishwashing liquid (not dishwasher products) mixed with fresh, clean, warm water will take care of dirt and grease. 5% dishwashing liquid to 95% water is a good ratio.

Caring for Your New Cabinetry



Before Installing Your New Cabinets

Cabinets should be stored in a climate controlled environment.



After Installing Your New Cabinets

Once your project is finished, you'll want to remove all construction dust. Wipe down all exteriors and interiors with a damp, microfiber cloth. Clean one small area at a time, rinsing the cloth frequently and thoroughly. Using a second cloth, dry each area immediately.

After delivery, cabinets should be stored in a space with 40 to 50 percent relative humidity. Humidity above 70 percent or below 20 percent can cause materials to shift. If stored in a garage, basement or space where humidity and temperature differ from the room where the cabinets will be installed, allow 1-2 days for cabinets to acclimate to their final environment before installation.

Environment

Exposure to sun, moisture, smoke, humidity and heat may all affect the color of your cabinetry finish over time.



Climate, Moisture & Humidity

Indoor climates should be maintained year round in vacation homes and primary residences. Kitchens and bathroom should be well-ventilated to keep cabinets dry. Frequent exposure to excessive humidity in poorly vented kitchens and bathrooms may be harmful to your cabinet finish.



Light

Ultra violet (UV) light rays in sunlight will affect the appearance of your cabinets. Finish colors can fade, darken or discolor if exposed to direct sunlight.



Oven Self-Clean Heat

The self-cleaning setting on most ovens operates at very high temperatures. The high heat could potentially damage the cabinets near the oven. You can minimize this risk by removing the cabinet doors and drawers nearest to your oven before running the self-clean cycle.



Smoke

Prolonged exposure to cooking or tobacco smoke, will discolor the cabinet finish.

Caution | Do Not Use

Some cleaning products damage cabinet finishes and should not be used on cabinetry. We recommend avoiding the following cleaners:

Cleaning Agents

The harsh abrasives and chemicals listed below will harm cabinet finishes and may result in discoloration. CliqStudios does not recommend using scouring pads, paper towels, Magic Eraser sponges or steel wool because they can leave scratches and residue on all finishes.

Wax

CliqStudios does not recommend waxing cabinets. Over time, waxing and polishing compounds will build up on the surface of cabinets and cause a hazy, streaky or yellowed appearance. Wax build up is difficult to remove and will attract dust.



petroleum solvents



wax base



silicone base



powder bleach



glass cleaner



spray cleaner



citrus cleaner



scour pads



magic eraser



amonia

Glass Cleaner

Clean the glass by spraying an ammonia-free glass cleaner on a clean, soft, lint-free cloth or paper towel, and wiping down the glass. Don't spray glass cleaner directly on the glass to avoid seepage behind mullions or dividers, which could cause damage to the wood or other materials.