

# MAINTENANCE ADVICE

SOLID  
WOOD

Wood is a natural product. And just as in nature no tree is the same, so each solid wood kitchen worktop is unique. Even the worktop parts have their own characteristic color and structure. Also the wood works because it is sensitive to temperature and moisture. But if you treat your worktop well you will enjoy it for years to come.

## 1 DAILY MAINTENANCE

Wipe the table top daily with a damp cloth or ordinary soapy water, so that most stains do not get a chance to soak in. Iron (particles), alkalis and acids (such as soap and detergents) should however be removed from the worktop immediately with plenty of water. Moisture should not remain on the surface for too long, so dry the spots well.

**Do not use concentrated or abrasive agents and never treat the surface with steel wool. Be careful with metals such as tin.**

### Periodic maintenance

To easily remove dirt and traces of use, you can also use special care oil for solid wood. This oil has been specially developed for the maintenance and treatment of solid wood worktops. The oil strengthens and protects the wood against dirt and moisture and leaves the wood structure intact. The oil is very easy to apply with the included sponge. This product is available in the online shop. Always rinse well with lukewarm water and dry the top with a clean, dry towel or kitchen paper.

## 2 REMOVING SPECIFIC STAINS

### Oil

The special maintenance oil that you received with your worktop prevents the wood from drying out and cracking. It is therefore important to treat the surface regularly. In the first few weeks you will need to do this more often; when the surface has reached its full and saturated appearance, you may need to wait longer.

### Keep to the schedule below:

- > immediately after installation (before commissioning):
- > 2 x (with an interval of approx. 2-3 hours)
- > daily thereafter: 1 x
- > first 6 weeks: 1 x per week
- > after 6 weeks: approx. 4 times a year

How often you need to apply oil depends on the intensity of use. You can easily test it. If a drop of water soaks into the wood, it is time to oil. If the water remains as a waterdrop, then it is not necessary to oil again.

A special white wash oil is supplied with white wash colours. Use this until the desired colour is achieved.

The leaflet with the maintenance set describes step by step how to oil the worktop. In connection with the drying and curing period it is recommended to do this in the evening. The effect of the oil supplied is optimal at a temperature of 22-30°C and a humidity of 40-60%.

**Important: after use, soak the cotton cloth in water and then throw it away, otherwise there is a danger of self-ignition.**

## 3 REMOVE STUBBORN STAINS

Remove the old layer of oil by lightly sanding the leaf with sandpaper (180 grain). Always sand in the direction of the grain! Then clean, dry and dust free the leaf. Repeat step 2 and treat the leaf with the special maintenance oil.

### Attention:

- > Never use hard abrasives such as steel wool, sandpaper or diamonds. They can permanently damage the worktop surface!



### CARE OIL SOLID WOOD

Special maintenance oil for solid wood worktops. The oil strengthens and protects the wood against dirt and moisture. The oil is very easy to apply with the included sponge. This is a product of Dekker Zevenhuizen. Look at: [www.dekkerzevenhuizen.nl/shop](http://www.dekkerzevenhuizen.nl/shop).

### More information

Do you want more information and cleaning tips or read about special offers from professional cleaners? Please visit: [www.dekkerzevenhuizen.com/maintenance](http://www.dekkerzevenhuizen.com/maintenance).



Wood reacts to moisture. If you have appliances that emit moisture, apply special moisture-resistant foil between the top and the appliance.



Always use a coaster for hot objects. Special insulation material is available to prevent heat development from certain household appliances.



Never cut directly on the blade, always use a cutting board.



Never use aggressive cleaning agents such as paint remover, brush, metal or oven cleaners, chlorine, sink unblockers or other chemicals!



More dirt remains on a textured surface. Rinsing well with clean water and wiping dry ensures that no dirt remains in the structure of the surface.