

Sim-Ply Teak and Veneer Maintenance

Like any natural material, Teak requires some servicing from timeto-time to maintain its natural beauty. With proper care, the beauty of Teak and other natural wood products can be prolonged and give your home a royal finish at all times.

Sim-Ply is a best quality Teak wood and Veneers supplier from Myanmar but we are no experts in furniture maintenance. However, with our experience, we can give you some basic guidance on how to best use your furniture and veneers.

Teak Wood in Furniture

Teak is typically sold either in its finely sanded natural form or treated with Teak oil. If left untreated, teak will turn to a silver-grey colour, which is preferred by many people. Some prefer to maintain the wood's original golden colour. There are a few easy methods to help you treat your furniture that you can employ to maintain the original golden colour.

Maintaining the Golden Teak colour

Oiling teak furniture is not a method for protecting the wood but rather a way to retain and enhance the wood's natural golden colour. Oiled teak furniture is best for indoor use as the environment is more stable. If you choose to oil furniture that will be outside you will need to be more regular with the maintenance, by oiling the furniture every 2 to 3 months and keeping the furniture out of direct sunlight. With each application the teak furniture should be washed and cleaned and fully dry before you begin.

General Tips

- When washing your teak furniture or any other wooden furniture, start from the bottom and work your way up to avoid leaving streak marks from any dripping water on the unwashed surfaces.
- Regular cleaning of your teak will help prevent mildew build-up and potential discolouration. A quick wash with mild soap and water and some bleach or vinegar mixed in usually solves the problem.
- Kindly use a soft plastic brush as metal brushes can scratch and damage the wood's surface.
- Some harder to clean stains can be removed with a concentrated wood cleaning solutions usually available in your local hardware stores.
- When cleaning your teak, always start with the mildest cleaning solution. If that doesn't work, try something more concentrated.

Teak Veneered Plywood

Normal Cleaning

- Dust regularly with a slightly damp, so, lint-free cloth.
- Wipe dry with a dry, soft cloth in the direction of the wood grain. Spills should be immediately wiped up with a damp cloth.

Once a month

- Clean the surface with a soft cloth dampened with a quality cleaner formulated for wood furniture.
- Wipe the surface in the direction of the wood grain to remove dirt and fingerprints. Wipe dry with a clean, dry cloth.

Twice a year

- Apply a good quality furniture polish with a soft cloth.
- Do not use aerosol-powered cleaners or polishes.
- Also, do not use polishes containing waxes or abrasives, or polishes that are oil based.
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Precautions to reduce the risk of damage

- Use coasters for glasses and mugs.
- If a glass top is added to the veneer surface, be sure it rests on felt pads.
- Don't place a potted plant on a veneer surface unless it's in a watertight container or in a drip tray.
- Don't let vinyl binders stay on a surface for very long.
- Use protective pads under equipment with "rubber" cushioning feet. Some chemical compounds used in the feet on office equipment, such as printers and monitor stands, May leave permanent stains or marks.

Other Damage

- Wood is susceptible to bruising and scratching from heavy office equipment, so we encourage a protective surface be placed underneath.
- Objects should be lifted instead of dragged across a surface. Protective pads should be used under items with a rough bottom, like pottery.
- Denting, caused by extreme pen pressure when writing, can also damage veneer. Use desk pads or some other protection where a lot of paperwork is done.
- Sunlight can damage veneer as well, so veneer surfaces should not be in direct sunlight. To help a surface age evenly, users can periodically move items on their desks so that the entire surface is exposed to an even amount of light over time.

If you have any specific question, kindly send us your queries to info@simla.co.in or call us at +91-9619860104.

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