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information and care guide

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## **SALTON FURNITURE**

Laura Ashley furniture is craftsman made with great care and attention to produce distinctive pieces that will bring pleasure for years to come.

- Salton is a mixture of wood and steel which creates a vintage inspired stool.
- Seats are solid weathered and drifted oak, lacquered for low a maintenance finish.
- The steel frame is powder coated a dark pewter colour using a tough anti-rust environmentally friendly water based paint.
- The stool height is adjustable by simply turning the seat on the frame until it reaches the desired position.
- Each product is lovingly hand finished to reveal natural features such as knots, medullary rays, grain and colour variation which may differ between parts of the same product and from product to product to make each piece unique.

With careful use these finely made pieces will give many years of satisfaction.

## **FEATURES OF NATURAL WOOD AND STEEL FURNITURE**

The Salton range is hand finished so it is important to understand its unique properties which add to the individuality of each piece.

### **Wood Shading and Grain**

All timber surfaces will change colour and mellow over time. Variation in grain, shading and colour between different products and within the same product can occur. New furniture initially will vary in shade from existing pieces within the same range.

### **Knots**

Knots, burrs and inconsistent grains occur naturally as the tree or branches grow and do not affect performance; proof of the highly individual nature of the wood.

### **Grain and Medullary Rays**

Each piece will have a slightly different grain pattern depending on which direction the wood is cut. Quarter sawn timbers enhance the natural characteristics of the grain to highlight medullary rays with interesting features such as growth rings, stripes and flecks which vary from section to section within the same piece.

### **Steel frames**

Due to the nature of metal items, small imperfections may occur as part of the manufacturing process.

## **EXPANSION AND TIMBER MOVEMENT**

- All timber will display movement from season to season because of changes in atmospheric temperature and humidity. This may occasionally make moving parts a little stiffer to operate.
- We do not recommend locating products in excessively high or low temperatures, or where the environment is often damp as this may cause product issues.

## **LEVELLING, ASSEMBLY AND MOVING PRODUCTS**

- Furniture must be positioned on a level surface to ensure that it does not rock, if the product is moved, levels should be rechecked, the use of felt pads on feet can assist if the floor is not level.
- Take care when moving products. We recommend they are lifted by two persons as dragging items across the floor will cause damage to the joints.
- Self assembly items should be assembled at the intended location and lifted carefully in to position.

## **SUNLIGHT AND HEAT**

- Direct sunlight will cause the colour of real wood to change, even if it is painted or lacquered, this will be more readily apparent if the furniture is placed under a window. Use in hot and sunny conservatories is not recommended.
- Leaving items such as vases or ornaments in one place on a piece of furniture in sunlight may leave a mark when it is removed. Such marks should blend in with time.
- Never place hot dishes directly on to wooden or painted surfaces, we recommend you use tablemats. Prolonged use of hot electrical equipment, such as a laptop, on top of furniture may also cause scorching.
- The dark rubber feet used on electrical and other equipment occasionally contain chemicals that can leave a permanent mark on furniture surfaces care should be taken.

## **MAINTENANCE AND CARE INSTRUCTIONS**

We recommend the purchase of a Guardsman Protection Plan\* at time of ordering (exclusions apply), to offer extra peace of mind in case of accidents.

To prolong the life of your furniture we advise the following:

### **Maintenance**

- To maintain the appearance of your product we recommend regular dusting with a soft lint free cloth.
- Stubborn stains may be wiped with a soft cloth very lightly dampened with a mild detergent solution and dried with a lint-free cloth. Do not use abrasives or scouring creams.
- Beeswax furniture polish from a reputable supplier may be used on wooden sections, repeated use of a polish containing silicone is not recommended as it leads to a build up of silicone film altering the appearance.
- Spills should be removed immediately by blotting with a dry white cloth. If the spillage causes staining or the piece requires routine cleaning, we recommend a specialist cleaner.

### **Care - To Avoid Unnecessary Damage**

- Protect delicate flooring from potential marking by feet or legs using felt pads or castor cups.
- Do not drop furniture onto corners or feet, or lean backwards on two legs as this will weaken and damage frames, feet or legs.
- Prevent sharp objects such as toys, buckles and heels from coming into contact with your furniture.
- Avoid contact with chemicals such as hair and skin preparations, fake tans, insect repellents and other cosmetics, or household cleaning materials other than those recommended as these may affect the finish.
- If your furniture becomes stained, scratched or damaged we recommend professional help is sought to restore it. If you have relevant insurance contact them immediately for advice, alternatively a nationwide service is offered by Safeclean\* on 0800 585 693 or Guardsman Home Services\* on 0845 6020789.

Following the guidelines above will ensure product performance is maintained. Laura Ashley is not responsible for defects caused by the misuse of your product.