

Teak shower seat Care Instructions

Cleaning Instructions

Materials Needed

- Soft bristle brush or sponge
- Mild dish soap
- Warm water
- Bucket
- White vinegar
- Cloth or towel

Cleaning Steps

1. Use warm water to rinse off any loose dirt or debris from the teak shower seat.
2. In a bucket, mix a solution of mild dish soap and warm water. If you prefer, you can add a cup of white vinegar for extra cleaning power.
3. Dip a soft bristle brush or sponge into the cleaning solution. Apply it generously to the teak seat and gently scrub the surface of the teak. Always go with the grain of the wood to avoid scratching. Pay special attention to corners, crevices, and sides of teak slats.
4. After scrubbing, rinse the teak seat thoroughly with warm water to remove all soap residue. Then using a clean cloth or towel, dry the teak shower seat completely. This helps prevent water spots and keeps the wood from absorbing excess moisture.
5. Allow the teak seat to air dry completely before placing it back in the shower.

Regular Maintenance Tips

1. After each use spray off any soap or shampoo residue.
2. Towel dry the seat to remove water droplets and allow seat to air dry thoroughly.
3. Clean your teak shower seat regularly. Apply teak oil as needed usually every 2 to 4 months based on use.
4. If mildew should occur, you may use bleach to clean it. Using a dilution of 1/4 cup of bleach to 4 cups of water, scrub seat with a sponge, the solution should not sit on the seat for more than a few minutes. Rinse teak seat with clean water and dry with a towel.

Teak Oil

Oil Maintenance

Follow manufacturers recommendations*

- **Applying Teak Oil:**
 - After cleaning thoroughly pour a small amount of teak oil onto a soft cloth or wide bristle brush.
 - Apply the oil evenly, following the grain of the wood, covering all surfaces, including edges and undersides.
- **Let it Absorb:**
 - Allow the teak oil to penetrate the wood for about 15-30 minutes.
 - If the wood looks dry, apply a second coat.
- **Wipe Off Excess:**
 - After the oil has absorbed, wipe off any excess with a clean cloth to avoid a sticky finish.
- **Drying Time:**
 - Allow the teak seat to dry completely before using it again, typically a few hours to overnight.
 - Wipe up any oil spills or splashes, as they become more difficult to remove after it cures.

Why use teak oil in addition to cleaning?

Teak wood is naturally water-resistant and durable, making it perfect for shower seats. Regular maintenance with teak oil will enhance its beauty and longevity. It is important to regularly clean and oil your seat to maintain color and appearance. Teak oil is made from natural ingredients like linseed and Tung oil and is generally considered non-toxic, making it safe for use around humans. When applied to teak wood, it penetrates the surface to enhance the wood's color and grain while providing protection against moisture and decay, all without emitting harmful chemicals. Although direct contact with the oil is not harmful, it's advisable to wash your hands after application to avoid any potential irritation, especially for those with sensitive skin.