

## Caring For Teak Garden Furniture

Most teak garden and patio furniture is sold in its natural and unfinished state. Hardwood teak furniture has the reputation of lasting a lifetime when cared for properly.

- 1) You can either let the patio furniture weather to a beautiful grey-silver state or,
- 2) You can apply an oil or a “exotic wood stain” to penetrate and preserve its beauty.

Either way, cleaning and caring for your teak patio furniture can be easy.

### To Allow Teak To Weather And Gray:

- A) Clean up spills: Wash the furniture when soiled, using a mild detergent, such as dishwashing liquid or a mild citrus based cleaner. Rinse with plain water from a water hose.
- B) Dust it regularly: Wipe the teak furniture down often, using a soft, clean cloth to remove spills, excess natural oils and dust.
- C) Remove imbedded stains: Lightly sand away areas that are blemished or prickly with fine-grit sandpaper block.

### To Safeguard Teaks Finish And Color:

- A) Prepare the surfaces: Remove dust and debris by wiping it with a soft, damp cloth.
- B) Remove heavy stains. Sand the affected area with using 400-grit sandpaper or #00 steel wool and immediately reapply oil to the area to preserve the wood.
- C) Option 1 - Oil the wood: Dilute tung or teak oil with an equal amount of mineral spirits and wipe down the newly cleaned and

sanded furniture. Rub with the grain. Often too much oil or mineral sprits will become tacky and attract dust and pollen.

- D) Option 2 - Protect the hardwood: Hardwood can be protected by a product that is uniquely formulated to meet its needs. DUCKBACK SUPERDeck® Exotic Hard Wood Stain 2501 is made for hardwoods like teak, ipe, mahogany or meranti. Its exceptional super penetrating formula protects the dense structure of exotic hardwoods. It has excellent water repellency. 2501 is formulated to resist growth of mildew and algae on the coating’s surface.

### Teak Patio & Garden Furniture Care Tips:

- A) Keep outdoor teak furniture stored or covered during the winter months and long periods of no use.
- B) Remove any bird droppings as soon as possible to prevent stains.
- C) Light scratches can be sanded away using sandpaper. If the furniture is oiled, apply several coats of tung or teak oil immediately after sanding.
- D) Most teak oil has UV-protecting ingredients in the oil solution. This will help the furniture retain its original color even in full sun.
- E) Never use a pressure washer on its high settings to clean teak furniture. The high pressure may scar the wood surface.



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