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NATURAL AGING OR RESTORATION?

Teak is the most desired wood for outdoor furniture because of its natural weather resistant features. The beauty of Teak is that it does not need to be treated. Untreated Teak will go through a natural aging process when exposed to the sun. It's original condition is a warm golden colour and over time the sun will turn it into a beautiful silvery grey, creating a unique patina of its own.

Mobelli believes in hassle-free, easy-living, with little to no maintenance. Leaving you with more time to enjoy your furniture, rather than slave away to maintain it. Teak allows you to simply let nature take its course and age naturally, however we understand that preferences differ, and if you'd prefer to keep your furniture looking new, you're able to do so.

The pace at which the Teak will weather is really dependant on the exposure to its environment. Some Teak may take longer to weather and some may weather very quickly, within a matter of months.



CARE FOR YOUR TEAK

1. Teakwood changes colour with age, new teakwood varies in colour, and as it ages over time it turns light silver grey. You will begin to see the first grey streaks after your teak furniture has been in the weather for a few months. However, this will also depend upon the various climate conditions in your area. Teak wood, as beautiful and hardy as it is, will need to be maintained, especially when exposed to coastal conditions.
2. To restore your teak furniture, remove the wood from the frame if possible. This allows access to the whole wooden frame to sand it down. Use a hand-held sanding machine, with 80 grit sand paper initially. This is to get the wood bare, which is necessary when you're going to apply oil, as it needs to soak into the wood. The 80 grit leaves a rough surface, so you'll need to go over the entire surface again, with a 100-grit sand paper to get a smooth finish. Please always remember that you need to sand with the grain of the wood.
3. Purchase a teak oil and apply three coats to the wood. Wait at least an hour between coats, but this really depends on how quick the oil seeps into the wood and how quick it dries. The teak oil will stain the clothing and other materials, so please keep it as far away from everything as possible.
4. We recommend that you leave the base over the weekend to allow the oil to seep in, before putting the frame back on. You can monitor it and once dry, you can put it back together.
5. New un-weathered teak is more susceptible to staining. Watermarks are easily dealt with; simply wet the tables thoroughly, wipe off excess water and the marks should disappear when the table dries. Stains caused by spills from wine, salad dressing, marinades, etc. should be removed with hot soapy water as soon as possible - always wet the whole table/item of furniture first. Teak Oil can be used to prevent it from losing its colour and to keep it from staining, however, this will take away the natural ageing process.

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