

CARING FOR YOUR WOOL BEDDING

Certain products require special handling and are not suitable for machine washing. Read this entire document before cleaning any of your Holy Lamb Organics items.

Protect your purchase. Place your comforter inside a washable duvet cover and your pillows in washable cases. For mattress toppers, place a moisture barrier between the topper and a fitted sheet.

Wool needs to breathe. Unmaking your bed each morning allows any moisture to evaporate. Sunning your wool bedding a few times a year is also great for keeping it refreshed. Indoors, just open the curtains and let the rays in. You can also take your items outside in the summer to soak up the sun in the fresh air.

We do not recommend dry cleaning.

MACHINE WASHING

Keep in mind that with each washing, there is the potential for slight shrinkage. Wash only as needed, and spot clean or hand wash for as long as possible before resorting to machine washing. With both methods described below, it's important that you skip the wash cycle. The wash cycle creates agitation, which can result in felted or ruined wool bedding.

TOP-LOAD WASHERS - Use soak and spin cycles only. Do not use the wash cycle, which agitates and can ruin your items. Please note: This includes a 'delicates' cycle. The delicate cycle still has a wash step, which agitates the wool. Please only manually set your washer soak and spin, and do not use any preset settings. For best results, wash with a full load.

Manually set cycles to soak and spin. Do not allow the machine to enter the wash cycle. SOAK. Fill the machine with cold water. Add a small amount of biodegradable detergent or wool wash. Place the item in the machine, gently pushing to absorb the water. Let it soak. SKIP ALL WASH CYCLES. The wash cycle is where agitation happens. Instead, manually set to spin. Centrifugal force will spin the water out.

SOAK & SPIN. Leave the item in the machine, allow it to refill with cold water and soak. Follow with a spin cycle. Repeat as needed.

DO NOT MACHINE DRY. This will felt the wool and ruin your bedding. Drape your wool items in the sun or a warm place to dry.

FRONT-LOAD WASHERS – Use the gentlest, shortest and lowest-soil settings. **Do not use the wash cycle, which agitates and can ruin your items.** Check your washer manufacturer instructions to see what settings include a wash cycle. Please note: even the delicate cycle has a wash step in most washers, so checking the settings for your specific washer is crucial. For best results, wash with a full load.

SOAK. Place items in the machine and fill with cold water. Add a small amount of biodegradable detergent or wool wash to the dispenser. Let it soak.

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SPOT CLEANING

Soak the affected area with hydrogen peroxide (note, peroxide may cause lightening of the fabric). As the area dries, you'll see stains lift and disappear. If the affected area's issue has a lingering smell (such as with urine), use a natural enzyme cleaner in the same manner. Tougher stains may require repeat applications.

For larger areas, place the stained portion in a sink or tub, apply a biodegradable detergent and run water through the soiled area. Wool is very absorbent, so avoid immersing the entire item in water.

Drape or line dry in the sun or warm place. You can also place the soaked area between two towels and press the excess moisture out. Do not wring or machine dry.

SPECIAL CARE AND CLEANING OF SPECIFIC PRODUCTS

Happy Lamb Fleece – Happy Lamb undergoes a natural felting process within the first 6-8 months of consistent use. You'll notice your fleece takes on a slightly matted appearance during this time. It's also normal for some of the wool fibers to shed during this break-in process; this fiber loss will decrease once the felting occurs. To keep your Happy Lamb looking and feeling its best, we recommend spot cleaning and sunning. We also recommend placing a sheet atop your fleece products for added protection. If you find it necessary to machine wash your Happy Lamb after the initial break-in period, follow the instructions on the previous page. Be aware that machine washing will result in some shrinkage and additional felting. Do not machine dry.

Wool Moisture Barriers/Puddle Pads – For minimal shrinkage, follow the washing instructions outlined on the previous page. For convenience, you can also wash these products using a normal cycle with the rest of your laundry, but be aware this will result in more shrinkage. With either choice, drape your wool items in the sun or a warm place to dry. Do not machine dry.

Mattress Toppers, Pillows and Cushions – These items are spot clean only.

Wooly Down Pillows – While the fill is not washable, the wool puffs can be removed and the case washed and dried following normal washing procedures.

NO GUARANTEE ONCE ITEMS HAVE BEEN WASHED

Due to the variety of washing machines on the market and the differences in their operation, we do not guarantee bedding items once they have been machine washed.

We want you to enjoy your natural products for years to come and offer these washing instructions to assist you in giving them the best care possible. Understanding the basic principles of the soak-and-spin method explained here will enable you to maximize the life of your bedding.

Contact Us - We're always happy to chat with you and answer questions about the proper care and washing of our products. Call us at 360-819-6047. We're here Monday-Friday, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm PST. If we're not in, leave a message, and we'll get back to you as soon as possible. You can also reach us at hello@holylamborganics.com.