



## PRODUCT CARE INSTRUCTIONS

### OILED OAK AND WALNUT FURNITURE

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## ABOUT US

3oak's designs are intended to be timeless. Our goal is to create furniture that can be passed on from generation to generation carrying the stories of one lifetime into another.

Every tree has a life and a story. We are privileged to be able to take a tree from its current life into its next where it can bring fulfillment to others in its new form.

Our trees are ethically sourced through tree service companies local to Western North Carolina. We have invested in the equipment to take a tree from its raw form, mill and kiln it so that it can be transformed into its intended purpose.

Much of the wood we source is rejected by local mills as it contains defects and imperfections that make milling cost prohibitive. This rejected wood, usually destined for the fire pit, has beautiful variations in color, knots, medullary rays and other natural characteristics. These are part of the character of the wood and we believe these imperfections contribute to the uniqueness of our products.

Many of our commissioned pieces have come from trees that our clients have provided to us, usually as a result of storm damage or old age.

We are craftsmen pursuing art in everything we do, inspired by those great craftsmen both past and present. We strive to master a craft we know cannot be mastered.

**Thank you for your purchase!**



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3oak designs furniture to adapt well in the hydrometrical (changes in moisture levels) conditions. These are conditions where changes in relative humidity impact the moisture content of wood. The resulting behavior is wood will expand as the relative humidity increases and shrink as the relative humidity decreases. Think of wood similar to a wet sponge that has been rung out. There is still remaining moisture in the sponge. Wood is hygroscopic, a fancy way of saying wood reacts to changes in its environment.

Because wood is hygroscopic you may notice some cracking or movement. This is a normal response to the furniture's environment.

Your furniture is finished with an oil/wax finish. This gives the furniture its natural color and forms a protective coating that acts as a repellent against common substances, but is no foolproof guarantee against stains. In case of a spill, remove it immediately.

### **REGULAR CARE**

For regular dusting use a dry cloth. For cleaning or in case of a spill use Rubio Monocoat Surface Care Spray Kit. You can purchase this from Amazon.

### **REFRESHING THE SURFACE**

Why would you need to refresh the surface? Since the products we use are natural oils over time they will need to be reapplied. We use Rubio Monocoat "Renew". This product is available on Amazon. This product cleans & regenerates the elegant character of the wood and slightly



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reinforces the original protective coating. This product is not a guarantee against stain.

### **REFINISHING THE SURFACE**

If you use wet cloths as part of regular care you may notice that the texture of the piece begins to feel a little rough. This is because the moisture seeps through the oils and raises the grain of the wood. In addition you may have discoloration, stubborn stains or want to remove a superficial scratch. To address this use the following steps:

1. Wipe the surface with a damp cloth.
2. Let the surface completely dry.
3. Purchase 150 grit sandpaper. You can purchase this at any local hardware store. If you don't have a sander also, purchase a sanding block.
4. Sand the entire surface with the grain. This will generally be the lengthwise direction of the wood. You should see some sawdust being produced. You only need to do a light sanding. The wood should feel smooth to the touch.
5. Once you have finished sanding wipe the wood down with a damp cloth to remove the sawdust. Let sit for 24 hours.
6. Purchase Rubio Oil Plus (2C) "Pure" (Unless your product has a special color additive which we will tell you at time of purchase). You can purchase this from Amazon. Follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer for best results.



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## TIPS & TRICKS

- Unless otherwise specified, all 3oak furniture products are intended for indoor use only.
- Recommended humidity in the room: between 40% and 60%
- Ideal room temperature: 70F during the day, not below 57F at night.
- To prevent color differences: do not place your furniture in direct sunlight, move objects placed on the furniture from time to time and if you have an extendable table open it on a regular basis.
- Avoid exposure to extreme conditions: do not place furniture near heating sources or air conditioned spaces.
- To prevent staining, we recommend that any spills be removed immediately.
- When cleaning the surface, always work in the direction of the wood grain.
- Use place mats to prevent hot pots and pans, or cold glasses and bottles, from leaving marks on the furniture.
- Do not drag the furniture along the floor, always lift the furniture when moving.
- Always ensure water and solutions used to clean the floor do not come in contact with the furniture's base, as it might leave permanent marks.



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