



SUNBRELLA STAIN CHART & CLEANING GUIDE

This chart contains our recommended cleaning methods of Sunbrella® fabric for common stains. For best cleaning results, stains should be cleaned as soon as they occur. Set-in stains may require professional cleaning. After cleaning with the below solutions, always rinse fabric thoroughly.

Stain	Recommended Cleaning Solutions	Commercial Cleaner
Berry	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1/2 cup - 1 cup white vinegar per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Bird droppings Catsup or Mustard Coffee Cola Egg (raw) Grape Juice Milk Tea	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Beer Food Color Urine Vomit	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1/3 cup white vinegar per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Butter Grease Oil Paint Wet/Dried (latex, oil, lacquer) Salad Dressing Shoe Polish (liquid) Suntan Lotion Tomato Juice Tree Sap	Apply cornstarch as an absorbent, remove excess with a straight edge, clean up residual with dishwashing liquid and water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve® or strong degreaser
Blood (dried)	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1/2 cup - 1 cup ammonia per 1 gallon water.	Hydrogen peroxide and upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Charcoal Pencil Marks	Vacuum, then clean with 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Chewing Gum	Treat with isopropyl alcohol. Then clean with 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Chocolate	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1/2 cup hydrogen peroxide per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®

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Crayon	Treat with isopropyl alcohol. Then clean with 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water.	Carbona™ Stain Devils for Ink and Crayon
Ink (India, ballpoint) Nail Polish	Treat with volatile solvent (acetone 100%). Then clean with soap and water and rinse thoroughly.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Iron Rust	Treat with CLR® and rinse thoroughly.	Rust remover such as CLR®
Kool-Aid	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water and rinse thoroughly.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Mildew	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1 cup bleach per 1 gallon water.	No commercial cleaner recommended. A stronger percentage of bleach may be necessary for severe mildew.
Shoe Polish (wax)	Apply heated iron over towel. Apply cornstarch as an absorbent, remove excess with a straight edge, clean up residual with dishwashing liquid and water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®
Wax (candle)	Apply heated iron over towel. Treat with isopropyl alcohol. Then clean with 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid per 1 gallon water.	Wax remover such as Carbona™ Stain Devils for Glue, Gum, and Nail Polish
Wine	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid, 1/3 cup white vinegar and 1/2 cup - 1 cup isopropyl alcohol or hydrogen peroxide per 1 gallon water.	Upholstery cleaner such as Resolve®

After cleaning with these recommended solutions, please rinse fabric thoroughly and allow to air dry.



Care and Cleaning.

One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella® fabrics looking good is to brush off dirt before it becomes embedded in the fabrics and wipe up spills or clean soon after a stain occurs. **The quicker you clean spills and stains, the easier they can be to remove.**

Try this first... With a new spill or stain on your Sunbrella fabric.

Blot (don't rub) liquid spills with a clean, dry cloth. For oil-based spills, apply an absorbent such as cornflour, then remove with a straight edge.

Spray on a mild cleaning solution of soap (such as washing up liquid) and water.

Rinse the fabric thoroughly to remove all soap residue.

Air dry.

Try this next... If your first try doesn't get the stain completely out.

slightly indoors and out because of the fabrication and manufacturing of the furniture. We recommend using the appropriate cleaning instructions for your application.

Cleaning Removable Fabric

Hand Washing

bristle brush to lightly agitate the stain. Then rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue, and allow fabric to air dry.

Machine Washing

Some removable casings can be washed in the washing machine, however consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary. To wash, first close all zippers. Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry

Cleaning Non-Removable Fabric

allowing the cleaning solution to soak into the fabric. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.

Mold and mildew stains

Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric. To remove mould or mildew:

and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes. Clean entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue. Air dry. For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased.

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It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and stains.

Helpful Hints

Avoid scrubbing, hard bristle brushes or any other abrasive cleaning method.

Sunbrella should only be allowed to air dry.

Protect the area around your Sunbrella fabric when using bleach or other chemical solvents that may discolor non-Sunbrella fabrics. Always rinse Sunbrella thoroughly.

If fabric has some wrinkling, use an iron on the synthetic setting. As iron temperatures may vary, first test a small inconspicuous area before ironing the entire piece.

DO NOT use a steamer or iron set to steam setting.

Stain Chart.

A comprehensive list of stains and recommended cleaning solutions.

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Berrys	Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid and 1/2 - 1 cup of white vinegar per 5 litres of water.	
Bird Droppings		
Mustard		
Coffee		
Coco-Cola		
Egg (raw)		
Grape Juice		
Milk		
Tea		Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid per 1 gallon water.
Beer		
Food Colouring	Combine 1/4 cup dishwashing liquid and 1/3 cup white vinegar per 5 litres of water.	
Urine		
Vomit		
Butter		
Grease		
Oil		
Paint Wet/Dried (latex, oil, lacquer)		
Salad Dressing		
Shoe Polish (liquid)		
Suntan Lotion		Apply cornflour as an absorbent, remove excess with a straight edge, clean up residual with washing up liquid and water.
Tomato Juice		
Tree Sap		
Blood (dried)	Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid and 1/2 - 1 cup ammonia per 5 litres of water.	
Charcoal, Pencil Marks	Vacuum, then clean with 1/4 cup washing up liquid per 5 litres of water.	
Chewing Gum	Treat with isopropyl alcohol. Then clean with 1/4 cup washing up liquid per 5 litres of water.	
Chocolate	Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid and 1/2 cup hydrogen peroxide per 5 litres of water.	
Crayon	Treat with isopropyl alcohol. Then clean with 1/4 cup washing up liquid per 5 litres of water.	
Ink (Ballpoint)	Treat with volatile solvent (acetone 100%). Then clean with soap and water and rinse thoroughly.	
Nail Polish		
Rust	Treat with a calcium/lime remover and rinse thoroughly.	
Fruit Juice	Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid per 5 litres of water and rinse thoroughly.	
Mildew	Combine 1/4 cup washing up liquid and 1 cup bleach per 5 litres of water.	
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