



*Painted  
Kitchen*

**CARING FOR YOUR  
NEW KITCHEN**

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**Congratulations on your purchase of our Cabinetry.**

We have strived to make this from the very best materials we can whilst keeping the cost as low as possible.

We are really pleased with the end result and hope that you will be too.

This booklet covers our advice from MANY years of experience and seeing lots of kitchens being fitted.



## **General Advice**

**Water Damage**— This makes up around 95% of the issues we ever come across and these are the areas we have found to be most important.

\*This is a wooden kitchen , despite it being primed and painted once fully installed, paints these days are almost all water based—this means that you really don't want water sitting on any surface more than it has to.

We find this particularly important around sinks, often water splashes off the counter top and drips down the front of the cabinet—as the doors are shaker inevitably it will sit on the lip of the shaker panel - Over time and will dissolve through the paint and primer and get into the wood—causing the paint to peel off and cause long term problems

\*Sealing the base and legs—as the frames are solid wood and sat on the floor any water spilled or left during mopping will soak up via capillary action into the legs—this will cause the wood in the legs to expand and will crack and push off the paint.

To help reduce the likelihood of this we always recommend sealing the base of the kitchen to the floor with a small bead of silicone once all painted and fitted—this will help stop moisture getting under the cabinets and causing this to happen.



## **Adjustments**

Drawer Adjustment—The drawers come fitted with advanced DTC Magic Move drawer runners that allow you to easily adjust the positioning of the drawer front by the rollers located underneath the drawers.

Adjustment— Left-Right

UP-Down

Forward -Backward

There are lots of videos on YouTube that show how they work and adjustments—just type in DTC MAGIC MOVE

Here is a link to one in particular— <https://youtu.be/wSCMskupe7A>

Hinges—as the hinges are Butt hinges there is no adjustment so if fitted correctly you should never have to adjust them.

Occasionally you may have to add a dab of oil and wipe off to prevent any squeaking and to allow easy opening and closing



## **Storage**

If you are not fitting your kitchen straight away it needs to be stored.

If flat packed then you need to make sure the boxes are laid out flat (If it is propped up against a wall it will bend the materials inside the box) and ideally not on an unfinished floor such as cement as the box will soak up moisture and that will get into the wood.

This needs to be kept at room temperature in a dry and sealed room

If the cabinets are rigid again it needs to be stored in a room temperature dry and sealed room, especially in the winter months, wood will soak up moisture in the air and the wood will expand and contract depending on the season,



## **Paint Care**

As almost all paints these days are water based you do need to treat them with care and respect—They are NOT as strong as they used to be when Oils etc were used, but given the environmental damage caused by oil based paints the switch over to water based has been quick.

When cleaning use a soft microfibre damp (but not wet) cloth

Do NOT use anything abrasive.

If you need to touch up the paint make sure you shake or mix the paint really well as paint will settle and if you don't it will be a different colour.

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