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## **Maintenance of Wooden Surfaces**

#### Hard wax oil

Your product has been finished with OSMO Hard Wax Oil.

We use their Polyx Oil Original. http://www.osmouk.com/

This is a natural product made of vegetable oil and waxes, which cannot crack or flake like a standard varnish.

We use Hard Wax Oil because it wears very nicely with time. Any cuts or stain can be removed with a dry washing-up scourer, or sand paper, and re-oiled. This is because Hard Wax Oil does not create a layer on top of the wood but penetrates into it to prevent dirt to get in, and keep the wood looking beautiful.

It is a surface that does welcome a bit of love and care!

A shelf or a sideboard, which are rarely touched, should not require any maintenance, but a table, especially a kitchen table will age better if you top up the oil every six month or every year, depending on usage.

This is particularly true for our Edge Grain ply range and walnut or dark oak surfaces.

We sell small maintenance bottles for £5.

You can also get Osmo Hard Wax oil from most DIY stores or online.

#### Standard maintenance

- Clean the surface and let it dry. (Alcohol base products -glass cleaner- are ok)
- Check there is no stain visible
- Apply Hard Wax oil THINLY (this is key) with a piece of cloth of kitchen roll.
- Rub it in as evenly and thinly as you can. A thick layer, built up on top of the wood, will not increase protection. Let it dry overnight.

### Stain or scratches removal

When the product has worn a bit, some stains could mark the surface of the wood. Try to remove the stain with a sponge or scourer first, to check if it has penetrated into the wood. If this is the case, you need to remove the stain with more scourer action, or fine wire wool (rubbing along the grain). Use sand paper for deep scratches or stubborn stains only. Then re-apply a few coats of oil (let it dry overnight between coats)

We hope you will enjoy the quality (and the lovely smell) of this product as much as we do. As you will see on the Osmo web site, this is a totally safe product that can be used on kitchen utensils and children toys as well.

Do not hesitate to contact us for advice: Maintenance@UntoThisLast.co.uk