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FABRIC CARE GUIDE

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# Spot cleaning - care guide

It's best to treat spills and stains as quickly as possible. Gently scrape any mess or mop any liquid from the surface of the fabric. Be careful to avoid using too much soap or detergent with water since overzealous rinsing to remove soap residue may create other stains or damage your furniture.

## **1. For non oil-based stains:**

Blot the stain with a soft towel or scrape away the substance. Pre-test the cleaning method on a hidden part of the furniture, using warm water and Sard Wonder Soap (available from most supermarkets). Mix a small amount of soap with warm water and apply to the stain, rubbing gently. Blot dry with a clean white towel. Apply cool water and blot dry again. Now, using a hair dryer, and working out from the centre of the stain, dry quickly to prevent water marks or "ringing". Please note that it is preferable to do several small cleans than risk saturating the fabric and substructure. It is best to clean whole panels of fabric rather than spot cleaning.

## **2. For oil-based stains:**

Murlex, a dry cleaning solvent available from most chemists, should remove most oil-based stains from the furniture. Apply using a similar process as above and ensure the cleaning is done in full panels - not spot cleaned.

## **Alcoholic beverages**

After the beverage has been blotted up, dab the stain with a clean cloth dampened in rubbing alcohol. Then blot repeatedly with liquid detergent mixed with cool water. Blot dry with a towel. Dab again with cool clear water and blot dry.

## **Blood**

Mix one teaspoon of ammonia in a cup of cold water and apply it sparingly to the spot. Blot with a clean towel. Repeat the procedure until the stain is gone. Next, dab the area with cool water and blot. Wait 15 minutes and moisten the area with white distilled vinegar. Blot thoroughly with a dry towel.

**Chewing gum**

Rub an ice cube over the gum to harden it, and then scrape off the excess with a dull knife. Use dry cleaning fluid to remove any gum that is left.

**Chocolate and other sweets**

Scrape excess away, and then go over the spot with cool water mixed with liquid detergent. Blot thoroughly and then clean with a dry cleaning fluid.

**Coffee & tea, and cosmetics**

Sponge with warm water. Apply warm glycerine. Leave for thirty minutes. Flush out with water and dry quickly.

**Fruit and fruit juices**

After excess is blotted up or scraped away, blot the spot with cold water. If a stain remains, add liquid detergent and a drop of white vinegar to the water. Dab the spot with this mixture and blot until there's no trace of a stain. Go over the area lightly with clean water to remove the traces of vinegar.

**Grease (including hair grease and oil)**

Scrape away excess if necessary and then dab the stain repeatedly with dry cleaning fluid. If any stain remains, go over the area with a lukewarm mixture of liquid detergent and water. Always make sure you use a clean portion so you don't put the stain back in the fabric. Last, go over the area with a clean cloth moistened with cool clear water.

**Ink**

Moisten with warm glycerine. Leave for ten minutes. Apply liquid detergent and brush lightly. Flush out with water and dry quickly.

**Iodine**

Rub with a cut lemon before sponging with warm water. Apply small quantity of detergent with clean cloth. Blot stain then remove soapy residue with cloth wrung out in warm water and white vinegar solution (1/3 vinegar to 2/3 water).

\*Please note: Iodine is a base ingredient of many sunscreen products





### **Milk or vomit**

Blot or scrape away the excess, then take a clean soft cloth and blot. Apply clean cool water to the area, blotting frequently. Then add a small amount of ammonia to a detergent solution and blot. Next, blot dry and wait a few minutes. Go over the area with dry cleaning fluid. Blot dry. Finally, blot the area lightly with a cloth moistened with rubbing alcohol.

### **Ice cream**

Scrape away excess and apply cool water mixed with liquid detergent, blotting frequently with a dry cloth so as not to saturate the fabric. Let dry and then go over any remaining stain with dry-cleaning fluid. Blot dry.

### **Soft drinks and syrups**

Sponge with water, add warm glycerine and work into stain. Flush out with water and dry.

### **Shoe polish**

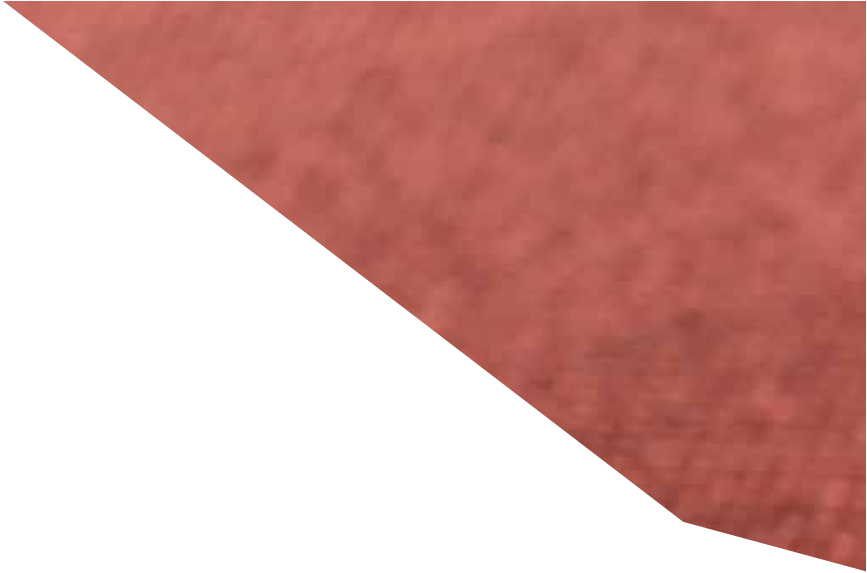
Apply liquid paraffin to loosen the stain then sponge with dry cleaning fluid.

### **Urine**

It is especially important to treat this stain immediately, before the urine dries, otherwise it may react with fabric dyes and cause permanent discolouration. First, dab at the stain with a solution of white vinegar and water and blot dry. Next, apply a mixture of liquid detergent and cool water, blotting frequently with a dry cloth to avoid saturating the fabric. Finally, dab the spot with clear cool water and blot thoroughly.

### **Water spots**

Blot thoroughly and then dampen the entire spot with clear white vinegar. Wait a few minutes. When the area is dry, moisten it again with water, blotting with a dry cloth after every application of the damp cloth. If the fabric has a pile, brush in the direction of the pile when it is dry.



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