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## CARE & MAINTENANCE FOR CONSTANTINE

### BRONZE (METALS)

Bronze is an alloy consisting primarily of copper, commonly with tin and often with the addition of other metals (such as aluminum, manganese, nickel or zinc) and sometimes non-metals or metalloids such as phosphorus or silicon. Bronze will not rust as it does not contain any iron (only iron can rust because rust is defined as iron oxide, a compound of iron and oxygen), but it will tarnish. As bronze is a “living finish,” products in this material will patina over time. If a patina appearance is not desired, the product will need to be maintained regularly.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- A general cleaning with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge, being sure to thoroughly dry.
- Cleaning any metal surfaces with abrasives, scouring powder or hard bristle brushes is not recommended.
- To maintain the finish or sheen, immediately following cleaning, a very thin layer of high-quality automotive wax (such as carnauba wax) should be applied and the excess buffed or wiped off with a dry cloth.

#### PERIODIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

- To remove mineral deposits, lightly pick off built-up minerals and buff with a Magic Eraser or clean cloth. Apply a thin layer of black Kiwi shoe wax and buff using a clean, soft cloth.