



JANUS et Cie®

CARE & MAINTENANCE FOR DITTO

JANUSSTONE

JANUSstone is a combination of concrete and fiberglass. It is also known as GFRC (Glass Fiber Reinforced Concrete). Mixing these together creates a material better than the two separate components; it is a lighter and more durable product than traditional concrete, and combined with different finishes, it creates wonderfully designed pieces.

JANUSstone is water-repellant, rot-resistant, pest-resistant, frost-proof and easy to care for. In addition, this material can be formed into unique shapes and finished in a variety of ways for maximum versatility.

For additional protection on JANUSstone side tables, we install silicon rubber bumpers on the bottom. Silicon rubber bumpers help to protect the lower edge from chipping, but may not prevent all chipping.

JANUSstone planters can make a striking statement in an outdoor setting, but there are a few common sense tips to utilize these to their fullest potential. Before filling with dirt, first place a mesh screen or a layer of gravel over the drainage hole before adding soil to assure water can flow through the planter. For better drainage, elevate the planter slightly, providing an easier path for the water to flow out of the planter.

Care should be taken when placing or moving any of the JANUSstone items.

ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Dust with a soft cloth, rinse with clean water and dry to prevent water spots.

PERIODIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Wash with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge
- Clean any spilled liquids or other materials immediately

EXTENSIVE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- When efflorescence (salt deposits) occurs, wet and scrub the area with a nylon brush until the efflorescence is removed
- During winter, leave the planters full of soil. Do not cover with plastic. It is recommended to raise JANUSstone planters to allow for proper water drainage

POWDER COATED METALS

JANUScoat™ is JANUS et Cie's proprietary powder coat finish. In this process, we apply a primer powder coating on the metal and follow it with a top coat of powder that contains our custom JANUS colors.

Powder coated finishes can be applied to a variety of metals in a process that creates a durable, protective finish without using harmful solvents. Polymer granules, which may contain polyester, polyester-epoxy, or fusion-bonded epoxy and acrylics, are electrostatically applied and baked to form a hard, protective coating creating a continuous, seamless finish.

Like any fine-painted surface, such as an automobile, routine washing and rinsing will help keep your painted furniture looking new. We recommend you provide extra protection with a regular application of a reputable automobile wax, which will actively repel the accumulation of moisture and water spots and minimize possible staining. Water spotting on the finish is usually a result of mineral and salt deposits in the water or can also be a result of pollutants in rainwater. Wax will promote "beading" of the water (i.e. run off the surface) without allowing surface dirt to dry on the finish. An added benefit of waxing your furniture is it is easier to clean when it becomes dirty. Water spotting may be more pronounced on darker frame colors, and in particular, coastal areas.

JANUScoat and powder coated finishes, while incredibly durable, may be chipped or damaged with improper handling. JANUS et Cie offers touch up paint which will blend with the original finish. For more information or to order touch up paint, please contact your sales specialist. Touch up paint may not perform with the same characteristics as the original powder finish. If not touched up, the effect on the exposed unprotected surface will vary depending on the underlying metal. It is critical to touch up as soon as possible.

WHY JANUScoat?

- ALUMINUM: Exposed metal can oxidize over time.
- STAINLESS STEEL: Exposed stainless steel can start to accumulate fly rust.
- CAST OR PLATE STEEL: Exposed steel will start to rust in most environments.

ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Rinse with a hose to remove salt and/or larger dirt and debris accumulation.
- Wash with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge.
- We also recommend any premium automotive cleaning products, such as Meguiar's® Gold Class™ Car Wash and Shampoo (www.meguiars.com). This premium car wash contains ingredients that will protect and enhance the finish.
- Rinse and dry with a clean soft cloth to prevent water spots.

PERIODIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Apply an automotive wax to the finish per manufacturer's instructions. This can vary in the number of times per year depending on the usage and environment of the location. Please see your sales specialist for details.
- Do not use abrasive or aggressive solvent products on aluminum, such as acetone or scouring powder.