



JANUS et Cie®

## CARE & MAINTENANCE FOR ROCK GARDEN

### CERAMIC

Ceramics have been used for centuries for a variety of purposes. More recently, the technology has evolved so rapidly that large surfaces can be made with ceramics. Table tops in ceramics are thus a brand-new application of a material that has stood the test of time. With their unique characteristics, ceramics are ideally suited for outdoor table tops. They do not require any additional sealant and are UV-resistant, frost proof, scratch and stain resistant. At JANUS et Cie, we have two main types of ceramic which are used on our furniture: solid and laminated ceramics. Both ceramic top styles are easy to clean and maintain.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Wash with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge
- Don't use abrasives cleaners or scrubbers

#### EXTENSIVE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Stains can be removed with a glass & ceramic cleaner using a non-abrasive cloth, sponge or paper towels

### GLASS

Our tempered glass is a type of safety glass processed by controlled thermal or chemical treatments to increase its strength, and it is four times stronger than regular glass. We offer clear and ultra-clear sanded and painted glass that comes in different thicknesses, from 3/16 inch thick to one inch thick with a variety of edgework like flat polished and beveled edge.

#### CLEAR GLASS

##### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Use a soft cloth and any normal household glass cleaning product such as Windex® to clean your clear glass
- You can also use mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water
- Be careful of overspray and wipe off any fluid that gets on the frame

##### EXTENSIVE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- If stains persist, most can be removed by blotting the stained areas with a dampened soft cloth soaked with vinegar or lemon juice
- For light scratches, use a buffing compound such as car wax
- Using the buffer with 6,000 grit sandpaper, lightly buff the glass until scratches disappear

#### SANDED OR PAINTED GLASS

The sanded or painted side of the glass should always face down; it should never be used as the top (i.e. the work surface). This is because it can scratch, and also because stains and dirt on the sanded side are more difficult to clean than on the top side. Avoid the use

of any sharp tools on the sanded top side of the glass.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Use a soft cloth and clean water to remove light dust or dirt
- For more persistent dirt and grime, use water mixed with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water
- Avoid abrasive or harsh chemicals on the sanded side; they can abrade and even remove the finish

#### EXTENSIVE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- If stains persist, most can be removed by blotting the stained areas with a dampened soft cloth soaked with isopropyl alcohol to remove residue or marks

## GLIDES

Our glides are constructed of high-quality materials including nylon, rubber, thermoplastic polyurethane, felt, or stainless steel. Glides can be fixed, adjustable or even self-leveling. Over time, the glides wear down and should be inspected frequently. If not, worn glides can damage the furniture and flooring. Wear rates vary on flooring type and texture. When possible, lift furniture (rather than dragging) to move it.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Inspect frequently
- Replace worn glides as needed
- Replacement glides are available through your sales specialist

## JANUSFIBER® & SYNTHETIC FIBER

Our synthetic fibers are not only recyclable, colorfast, UV-resistant, stain-resistant and suitable for humid and salty environments, but they also require minimal maintenance and endure beautifully in a range of temperatures. The fiber lineup includes proprietary handwoven JANUSfiber, made from high-density recyclable polyethylene.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Vacuum to remove loose dirt
- Prepare a cleaning solution of 2 ounces (1/4 cup) of mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and 8 cups of lukewarm clean water (less than 100°F/38°C)
- Use a sponge or soft cloth to clean
- Rinse thoroughly with clean water
- Allow to air dry

## MECHANICAL JOINTS & MOVING PARTS

JANUS et Cie uses only the finest materials for its moving parts, hinges, hydraulic components, joints, folding mechanisms, poles, and drawer glides. Aluminum, marine brass, steel and stainless steel are wrought, cast, or extruded to create the ideal hardware components utilized on our furniture. Over time, these may loosen and require regular inspection and maintenance.

#### ROUTINE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Use a sponge or soft bristle brush to brush away soil.
- Wash with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge.
- Rinse thoroughly with clean water and pat dry with a non-abrasive cotton or microfiber cloth.
- After cleaning, inspect moving parts that may require lubrication.

## PERIODIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Inspect moving parts and apply high-quality machine oil if needed.
- Inspect hardware and mechanical joints; tighten parts when necessary.

## STAINLESS STEEL (METALS)

Stainless steel is an alloy of low carbon steel and chromium, which is inherently anti-corrosive and will not lose this resistance if scratched. In most environments, oxidation may occur, and in the early stages it is non-corrosive and easy to wipe away. This is referred to as surface rust or “fly rust.” If left unchecked, this corrosion may become irreversible over time. Regular maintenance is important, especially in marine and coastal environments.

### 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.

### PERIODIC CARE & MAINTENANCE

- To treat stubborn dirt or surface rust (also known as “fly rust”), use a good stainless steel cleaner (options available at most hardware stores) and follow the manufacturer’s directions.
- We offer McMaster® Stainless Steel Wipes (JeC Item #799-30-200-00-00), which clean and offer added protection against rust buildup. Follow instructions on packaging.

### EXTENSIVE CARE & MAINTENANCE

- For heavy cleaning, we recommend using a high quality stainless steel cleaner and adhering to the manufacturer’s instructions.

## TEAK – FINISHED WEATHERED, ESPRESSO & DRIFTWOOD

Our Weathered or Espresso finishes are applied to our plantation harvested premium teak furniture frames. These handcrafted finishes require several coats of different colors and are distressed by hand, then sealed with a lacquer to lengthen the durability. Treat these finishes in the same manner as a painted finish. Over time finishes will change color, adding to the character of the piece.

### GENERAL CARE & MAINTENANCE

- Clean with a soft brush to remove dust and debris, like leaves.
- Wash with mild, pH-neutral soap such as Dawn® and clean water using a non-abrasive cloth or sponge.
- Rinse with clean water and let dry, preferably on a sunny day, or dry with a soft cloth.