

IKEA PRASTHOLM Instructions





IMPORTANT: READ CAREFULLY AND KEEP FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

Treat with oil or glazing paint

If the furniture is made of untreated wood, we recommend you to give it some kind of surface treatment, e.g. glazing paint or oil, before placing it outdoors. Otherwise there is a risk that the unprotected wood will get stained. Furniture in oil-treated wood should be treated with oil directly after the purchase and then at regular intervals, at least once a year.

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CLEANING

Wipe clean with a soft cloth dampened in water and a mild soapy solution. Wipe dry with a clean and dry cloth.

MAINTENANCE

You can easily refresh your wooden outdoor furniture and make it more durable by re-staining it on a regular basis, for example once a year. You may need to re-stain the furniture more frequently, depending on the climate you live in and the furniture's exposure to sun and rain. Re-staining prevents the surface from drying out and cracking and moisture from penetrating into the wood.

For furniture that stands in the open air, a good indication that you need to re-stain is if raindrops are absorbed directly into the wood and no longer form small beads on the surface.

How to re-stain

Choose a place in the shade for cleaning, restaining and leaving the furniture to dry. Avoid direct sunlight.

- 1. Wipe clean with a soft cloth dampened in water and a mild soapy solution, if necessary. Wipe dry with a clean and dry cloth. Use a soft brush to remove tougher stains. If necessary, sand the surface with fine grade sandpaper. Be sure to sand it in the direction of the grain. Do not use steel wool or a brush with metal bristles pieces of metal may become embedded in the wood and rust. If wood fibres rise after cleaning, sand the surface with fine grade sandpaper.
- 2. Shake the container well and apply a thin, even coat of stain to the furniture using a brush or sponge. Apply on the entire surface at once and in the direction of the grain.
- 3. Water-based stain dries quickly so be sure to wipe off any excess with a dry cloth directly after application.

Wash brushes and your hands with soap and water.

Storing

Before storing away your furniture for the season, clean it well and let it dry thoroughly. If possible, store your outdoor furniture in a cool and dry place indoors. If stored outside, put the furniture under a roof if possible and cover it with a protective cover.

If the furniture is left exposed to rain or snow, make sure to protect it with a waterproof cover and if possible tilt the furniture to make it easier for any water to drain away. After a rain or snowfall, wipe off excess water or snow – especially from flat surfaces. Allow air to ventilate, to avoid moisture and mould.

NOTE!

To increase the stability of your furniture, re-tighten the screws at least once per season.

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