# HermanMiller Materials



# Outdoor Furniture Care and Maintenance

With regular care and maintenance, your Herman Miller outdoor furniture will provide years of superior performance and satisfaction. To maintain the quality of your Herman Miller product, please follow the cleaning procedures provided below.

# The Value of Caring

The materials of the Herman Miller outdoor furniture are built for strength and durability.

The construction results in long-lasting and easy-to-clean products.

Please note that suntan lotions and sprays, as well as insect repellents, may discolor the furniture material or finish.

Acid-based liquids, such as coffee, wine, and fruit juice, need to be wiped up immediately using a clean, soft cloth.

The longer a spill remains, the more difficult it will be to remove and may stain.



# Eames<sup>®</sup> Aluminum Group Chairs and Ottoman Outdoor

Products in the Eames Aluminum Group Outdoor include Side Chair Outdoor, Lounge Chair Outdoor, and Ottoman Outdoor. These products feature Herman Miller suspension technology for the ultimate in comfort and support.

## **Outdoor Weave Mesh Material**

#### **Normal Cleaning**

Use a solution of 1 tablespoon of Tide detergent powder (unscented) that has been diluted in 1 cup of warm water.

Dip a clean, dry cloth into the solution, and wipe the Outdoor Weave mesh material.

After cleaning, rinse the mesh material and the entire chair with clean, warm water, and wipe dry with a clean, soft cloth.

*Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they could damage the mesh material.* 

*Do not use a power washer to clean Aluminum Group Outdoor furniture; it could damage the mesh material.* 

**Note:** Do not leave your Aluminum Group Outdoor furniture standing in water.

#### Ultraviolet (UV) and Fading

When you're not using your Aluminum Group furniture, we recommend covering it to avoid prolonged exposure to direct sunlight.

## Arms, Frame, and Base Finish

We recommend normal cleaning at least once a year.

#### **Normal Cleaning**

Use a solution of 1 tablespoon Tide detergent powder (unscented) that has been diluted in 1 cup of warm water.

After cleaning, rinse the metal with clean, warm water, and wipe dry with a clean, soft cloth.

For added protection or to remove scuff marks, apply with pre-softened paste wax, such as Meguiar's Cleaner Paste Wax, following the manufacturer's instructions.

Take care not to get wax on the mesh material.

Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they could damage the paint finish.

*Do not use a power washer to clean Aluminum Group Outdoor furniture; it could damage the paint finish.* 

**Note:** Do not leave your Aluminum Group Outdoor furniture standing in water.

#### Storage

We recommend you bring your Aluminum Group furniture indoors for storage if the temperature stays below 40 degrees Fahrenheit (5° Celsius) for an extended period of time.

# **Tables Outdoor**

## Stone is a Natural Material

As with any stone product, there are a few special points to consider.

Natural characteristics in stone cause variations in hues, veins, crystals, and distinctive marks.

These variations and subtle changes seen as the stone ages are values associated with natural materials.

Each tabletop is hand crafted. No tabletops are identical, just as no stone pieces are the same.

Variations in both color and veining are to be expected.

The marble, granite, and slate used on our products are inherently strong and stable.

Stone is a natural material that will age, adding character to the product.

Over time the stone may fade in color, staining of the surface may appear, and surface cracks—if not already visible at time of purchase—may appear. Small cracks do not affect the structure of the tabletop.

## **Stone Tabletop**

Products using stone for outdoor furniture tabletops of marble, granite, and slate include Eames Tables Outdoor, Eames Wire Base Low Table Outdoor, and Nelson™ Pedestal Table Outdoor.

#### **Normal Cleaning**

Rinse the tabletop with warm water to remove surface dirt and wipe dry with a clean, soft cloth for routine maintenance.

Wash with a soft cloth and a mixture of a mild detergent and warm water.

Rinse with warm water, and wipe dry with a clean, soft cloth.

Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they will damage the surface.

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#### Acid-based Liquids, such as coffee, wine, and fruit juice

Wipe up immediately using a clean, soft cloth.

The longer a spill remains, the more difficult it will be to remove and may stain.

Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they will damage the surface.

#### Ultraviolet (UV) and Fading

We recommend that when not in use your Herman Miller stone tabletop be placed away from the sun or appropriately covered.

UV light can be a cause of outside environmental damage and fading to your stone tabletop.

Over time, stone tops will fade in direct sunlight.

#### Stone Resealing

To check if your stone tabletop requires resealing, pour a small amount of water onto the table.

If the water still beads, resealing is not necessary.

If beading does not occur, we recommend a natural stone sealer (available at hardware and home improvement stores) to rejuvenate a faded stone tabletop.

#### Storage

If you choose to cover your stone table, be sure to remove the cover when the weather is warm or humid to reduce the chance of mold and mildew growth.

Do not keep your stone table out of doors below 40° Fahrenheit (5° Celsius) as the stone may be compromised.

## **High Pressure Laminate (HPL) Tabletop**

#### Normal Cleaning

Wash the laminate with a soft cloth and a solution of mild detergent and warm water.

Rinse thoroughly and dry with a clean soft cloth.

For minor repair of burns or other stubborn marks, apply a nonabrasive liquid kitchen cleanser with a soft cloth soaked in warm water.

Rub in the direction of the grain; use caution to avoid damaging the surface texture or gloss.

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If no grain direction is visible, rub with a light, circular motion.

Do not use powdered abrasives or other harsh cleansers like hypochlorite bleach, hydrogen peroxide, nitric or hydrochloric acids, or lye; they may deface the surface and change the finish color.

#### Ultraviolet (UV) and Fading

We recommend that when not in use your Herman Miller laminate tabletop be placed away from the sun or appropriately covered.

UV light can be a cause of outside environmental damage and fading to your laminate tabletop.

Over time, laminate tops will fade in direct sunlight.

#### Storage

If you choose to cover your laminate table, be sure to remove the cover when the weather is warm or humid to reduce the chance of mold and mildew growth.

Do not keep your laminate table out of doors below 40° Fahrenheit (5° Celsius) as the stone may be compromised.

#### **Table Base Finish**

The base materials of the Herman Miller outdoor furniture are built for strength and durability.

The construction results in a long-lasting and easy-to-clean base.

#### **Coated Metal**

Wash coated metal surfaces with a soft cloth soaked in detergent and warm water; rinse thoroughly and dry.

Remove scuff marks from low-gloss coatings with pre-softened paste wax, following the manufacturer's instructions.

Remove scuff marks and scratches from high-gloss coatings using automotive polishing compounds, either liquid or paste.

After polishing, apply a pre-softened automotive paste wax to restore original sheen.

Do not use abrasive, acid, alcohol-based, or solvent-based cleaners; they could damage the paint finish.

Do not use a power washer to clean outdoor tables; it could damage the paint finish.

Note: Do not leave your Herman Miller outdoor table standing in water.