

THIBAUT

INDOOR | OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE

Care & Cleaning of Thibaut Indoor | Outdoor Performance Fabrics

Thibaut Indoor Outdoor Performance Fabrics meet and exceed all testing requirements as specified for durability and safety by the Association for Contract Textiles. Fabrics are free of potentially harmful levels of chemicals and flame retardants such as PFOS, PFOA, formaldehyde, heavy metals, phenols, and phthalates.

CLEANING CODE = W S B

Fabrics are cleanable with water-based detergents, solvents and bleach.

GENERAL CARE

We recommend routine, on-going care to enhance the longevity of your upholstered furniture.

- Flip, rotate and fluff removable cushions regularly to ensure even wear.
- Vacuum with an upholstery attachment to reduce soil build-up on a fabric's surface. since dust and dirt cause fabric to wear more quickly.
- Promptly treat spots and stains as they appear. Do not rub or brush excessively to avoid fuzzing.
- Annual professional cleaning is recommended.

WATER-BASED STAINS

Use this stain removal method for water-based stains such as coffee, red wine, and ketchup. Be careful to brush lightly since fibers can be broken or matted in the cleaning process.

1. Blot up liquids on the surface with a clean, soft towel and brush off any loose debris.
2. Prepare a cleaning solution of 1/4 tsp. of mild, enzyme detergent such as Tide® detergent or Dawn® dishwashing liquid per 1 cup of lukewarm water.
3. Apply the cleaning solution using a misting spray bottle. Allow the solution to soak into the fabric so that detergent can begin to break down the stain. NOTE: *Do not oversaturate*

with the soap and water solution as all soap will need to be fully removed.

4. Lightly scrub the affected area with a sponge or soft bristle brush. Work from the outside of the stain inward so as not to spread the stain. Rinse sponge or brush frequently.
5. Rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove all soap as residue will attract dirt.
6. Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
7. Allow fabric to air dry to evaluate if further care is required.
8. Repeat steps 3-6 as necessary.

OIL-BASED STAINS

To treat oil-based stains such as salad dressing or mustard, immediately apply an absorbent, such as cornstarch, directly on the stain. Let sit for 10 minutes to help lift the stain. Remove the excess using a straight edge or ruler to prevent the stain from being pressed into the fabric. Vacuum with an upholstery attachment to remove any excess absorbent. Then proceed with the cleaning process for water-based stains.

MOLD & MILDEW STAINS

Thibaut Indoor Outdoor Performance Fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric. The use of bleach is recommended for mold and mildew. NOTE: *Always test in an inconspicuous area first to ensure cleaner doesn't affect the color of the fabric. Do not use bleach in proximity to any other textile.*

1. Blot the stained fabric with a white, clean, dry cloth.
2. Use a spray bottle to apply the cleaning solution to the entire area and allow to soak into the fabric for 15 minutes.
3. Lightly scrub the affected area with a sponge or soft bristle brush. Make sure to work from the outside of the stain inward so as not to spread the stain and rinse your sponge or brush frequently.

4. Rinse thoroughly to ensure bleach is fully removed from the fabric.
5. Allow fabric to air dry to evaluate if further care is required.
6. Repeat steps 2-5 as necessary.

INDIGO OR INK STAINS

Indigo transfer from overdyed garments can affect any surface including fabric, vinyl and leather. Fabric dyes and inks are intended to be permanent so they are among the most challenging stains to remove. Indigo transfer can only be prevented by washing the garment until the excess dye has been removed.

1. Blot the stained fabric with a white, clean, dry cloth.
2. Apply generous amounts of rubbing alcohol and blot dry with a clean, dry cloth. Repeat as necessary.
3. Rinse thoroughly with cold water.
4. Allow fabric to air dry to evaluate if further care is required.

PROFESSIONAL CLEANING

When possible, it is best to clean the entire surface of an upholstered piece from seam to seam. This method will help to avoid water rings or localized changes to the surface texture resulting from spot cleaning.

We recommend the use of a professional cleaning service as they have specialized equipment and expertise. A global list of certified experts may found at The Institute of Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification. (iicrc.org)

MACHINE WASHING & WRINKLE REMOVAL

Some casings can be removed and cleaned in the washing machine. Consult the furniture manufacturer before removing the casing as cushion construction may vary. To wash, first close all zippers. Machine wash in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of mild laundry detergent. For severe mold or mildew, add 1 cup of bleach. Allow fabric to air dry. Use light steam or low temperature iron to remove wrinkles.