## Care & Cleaning of Passage Fabrics

Fabrics in Thibaut's Passage collection combine performance attributes with sumptuous color and soft feel. Designed to meet or exceed heavy-duty requirements in every performance category, these fabrics provide homeowners and designers with an indoor fabric that is both durable and resistant to water-based stains without sacrificing style, softness, and breathability.

**LONG-LASTING DURABILITY** All patterns meet or exceed 30,000 Wyzenbeek double rubs. In addition, all fabrics pass rigorous tests for pilling, stain and water resistance and flammability (California TB 117-2013). NOTE: *Fabrics in the Passage collection are not recommended for outdoor use.* 

**ENHANCED STAIN RESISTANCE** Water-based spills bead up. Stains are easier to clean. Fabrics remain breathable. Unlike other after-market treatments that can affect the hand and color of fabrics with varying levels of success, these attributes are inherent to the construction of the fabrics in the Passage collection.

**NATURAL FIBERS RETAIN SOFT FEEL** The specialized development process imparts performance characteristics on your favorite yarns such as cotton, linen and rayon without sacrificing the fabric's unique hand.

## **ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY** All fabrics in this collection:

- pass CA Standard Section 01350 for indoor air quality
- are GREENGUARD Gold® Certified, helping to create healthier, more sustainable indoor environments
- are free of potentially harmful levels of chemicals and flame retardants such as PFOS, PFOA, formaldehyde, heavy metals, phenols and phthalates

**GENERAL CARE** We recommend vacuuming regularly with an upholstery attachment, since dust and dirt cause fabric to wear more quickly.

- Flip, rotate and fluff removable cushions regularly to ensure even wear and increase longevity.
- An annual professional cleaning will keep your upholstered furniture looking its best.
- Maintenance requires promptly treating spots and stains and should include routine, on-going care which reduces soil buildup on a fabric's surface.
- Do not rub or brush excessively or you may cause fuzzing.

**CLEANING CODE = W** (water with mild enzyme detergent, see instructions below)

**GENERAL CLEANING** We recommend periodic cleaning of upholstered surfaces with hot water extraction. This method of stain removal can be used for general maintenance as well as the removal of most medium or ground-in stains.

NOTE: the use of solvents or dry cleaning is not recommended as it may reduce the repellency, however the integrity of the fiber should not be affected.

- Bleach or rubbing alcohol is not recommended as color loss may occur.
- Use light steam or low-temperature iron to remove wrinkles.

**ROUTINE SPOT CLEANING** Spot cleaning can be used for stains such as dirt, coffee or red wine. Be careful to blot and/ or brush lightly since fibers can be broken or matted in the cleaning process.

- 1. Before cleaning, blot up liquids on the surface with a clean, soft towel and brush off any loose dirt.
- 2. Prepare a cleaning solution of a ¼ teaspoon 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. Work the solution into the affected area by lightly scrubbing it with a sponge or a soft bristle brush. Make sure to work from the outside of the stain inward so as to not spread the stain and rinse your sponge or brush frequently.
- 5. Rinse thoroughly with clean water to remove all soap residues, as leftover soap residue will attract dirt.
- 6. Blot excess moisture with a clean towel.
- 7. Allow fabric to air dry to evaluate if further care is required.
- 8. Repeat steps 3-6 as needed.

spot cleaning for oil-based stains To treat more challenging 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. It is imperative to utilize vacuum extraction to remove any excess absorbent. Then proceed with the routine spot cleaning process.

