

# Care & Cleaning of Club Velvet



**CLEANING CODE = W S B** (water-based detergents, solvents and/or bleach)

Dry Cleaning is the only acceptable professional cleaning method.

NOTE: The Dry-Cleaning solution should not include Trichloroethylene as this will damage the fabric.

## MACHINE WASHING

Club Velvet is machine washable in cold water on the delicate cycle with normal amounts of either a water-based detergent or solvents.

A diluted bleach mixture can be added to the wash for stubborn stains. (We recommend a 1:4 bleach to water ratio).

Allow fabric to air dry. Do not use heat to clean or dry.

Use a soft-bristled brush to fluff the fibers back into place once the fabric has dried. Any lint that may collect on the short pile velvet can easily be removed with a lint roller.

## TREATING STAINS

If stains do occur, clean promptly. The stain will become more difficult to remove the longer it remains on the fabric.

Always remove any residual solids before treating the stain. Avoid excess rubbing to prevent damaging the surface.

Before treating a stain, test-treat a small, inconspicuous area (i.e. near the zipper of cushions). When treating a stain with a water-based cleanser, clean seam-to-seam to prevent water rings from forming on the surface. Once a water-ring has set and dried, it becomes extremely difficult to remove.

## SPOT CLEANING

The spot cleaning method of stain removal can be used for some light to medium stains, such as red wine and chocolate. Thibaut recommends using Dawn® dishwashing

detergent or Fantastik® All Purpose Cleaner to treat most stains. A 1:4 bleach to water mixture can also be used for stubborn stains. Brush lightly since fibers can be broken or matted in the cleaning process.

1. Before spot cleaning, vacuum off any loose dirt. For thicker substances, use a spoon to remove any excess.
2. Apply the cleaning solution using a misting spray bottle.

NOTE: Do not oversaturate when applying the cleaning solution.

3. Use a soft brush or sponge to work the solution into the affected area. Make sure to work from the outside of the stain inward so as not to spread the stain. Rinse your brush or sponge frequently.
4. Rinse thoroughly with water to remove all soap residues since soap attracts dirt.
5. Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge.
6. Allow fabric to air dry.
7. Repeat steps 2-6 as needed.

## GENERAL CARE

Thibaut recommends regular vacuuming of cushions with an upholstery attachment, to remove any surface dirt and prevent the buildup of stains. Flipping and rotating removable cushions regularly will help ensure even wear and increase longevity.

NOTE: For fabrics with pile (chenille or velvet), always vacuum or lightly brush in the direction of the pile nap. Use light steam only to remove wrinkles. Do not iron.

Annual seam-to-seam cleaning by a professional will greatly help with the overall appearance and longevity of upholstery.

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