



# Care guide

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# furniture care

Properly maintaining your furniture is important for keeping cherished pieces looking great as well as protecting you from having to re-purchase items much sooner than is needed.

Congratulations on the purchase of your new leather furniture set/piece from Essex Home Furnishings. Taking proper care of your new purchases is one of those vital tasks that often gets neglected. The effort put into maintaining your furniture's condition is very minimal, yet it can go a long way toward keeping your furniture looking great for years to come. Essex Home Furnishings' Care Guide will demonstrate how to properly care for your new furniture with some easy-to-follow tips that will keep those items in your home looking fantastic!



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It is surprisingly easy to maintain leather furniture. It is important to understand that leather is a natural product. Scars, bite marks, brands and wrinkles may be visible on genuine leather and are not considered defects. These are natural markings and do not affect the quality or durability of your piece. Some stretching or “puddling” in seating areas is also normal. With this noted there are steps you can take to maintain your leather pieces. It’s important to remove spills immediately using care/cleaning products designed for leather furniture.

## Care

Dust leather furniture regularly. Use a vacuum cleaner with a crevice tool attachment to clean seams and corners.

Regular rotating of cushions as part of your regular cleaning regimen will also ensure good even wear and will keep your set looking good for years to come.

Many sets come with zipper access to the inside backs to allow you to adjust and redistribute padding to restore your set’s original shape.

It is recommended that you keep your valuable leather furniture at least 2 feet from heat sources and out of direct sunlight.

Clean weekly using a damp sponge (excessive water will distort leather) or soft lint-free cloth. Wipe gently and buff dry, taking care not to rub.

Don’t place newspapers or magazines on your leather furniture. The ink from these items can bleed onto the leather.

## Cleaning

Use a moisturizing, oil-free soap. Test a small, inconspicuous area to ensure that the soap will not discolour the leather. As noted above, work into leather gently. Rinse by blotting with a damp cloth or sponge. Blotting during cleaning is key to removing excess water.

For more serious stains it is a good idea to contact a professional.



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