



## Care + Maintenance

### GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

- EarthPly® is stain resistant to most common substances on interior applications.
- In residential applications, some raw meat juice (such as liver), high-alkaline fruit or vegetables (such as papaya and red beets), red wine and high-alkaline soaps (such as automatic dishwasher powder and oven cleaners) may cause staining when left in contact for a prolonged time.
- Avoid using bleach products or abrasive powdered cleaners. It is good to avoid using the abrasive side of sponges as this may also scratch the surface of a EarthPly® surfaces.
- Generally speaking, EarthPly® resists stains quite well. With stubborn stains, try a non-abrasive household cleaner. A unique, eco-conscious stain remover is plain yogurt, applied only on the stain area. Let sit over night for 3-4 applications, wiping away in the mornings, to lighten stains.

### LEATHERED SURFACE

- Warm water and sponge for daily cleaning. Mild soap can be used if needed.
- EarthPly® Care + Maintain can be used to renew the look and feel of the finish.
- Do not sand the surface as it will disturb the factory surface which cannot be reproduced. Minimal Scotch-Brite® work can be done prior to applied finishes.
- It is important to note, spot refinishing will be noticeably lighter compared to the surrounding surface area. EarthPly® surfaces are made of layers of paper, which, like wood, will patina or darken over time in most colors (not as much with black material). The area will eventually patina and match the remainder of the surface surrounding it. In order to avoid discoloration in affected areas, sanding and refinishing the entire surface is required.





## EarthPly Care + Maintain Finish

EarthPly® Care + Maintain is an eco-friendly, natural wax finish. It deepens the tone of the panel and provides a satin sheen. EarthPly® Care + Maintain contains carnauba wax, bees wax and mineral oil. An ample supply of paper towels (blue shop towels work well) will be needed for finish application.

### **STEP ONE:**

Apply a generous amount of EarthPly® Care + Maintain using a paper towel or by hand. Remove excess Care + Maintain by using clean paper towels (change towels often) or the supplied cloth until fingerprints are not visible when surface is touched. If fingerprints are still visible, continue rubbing off Care + Maintain residue with additional clean towels.

*(Overusing a towel only serves to reapply excess finish that you are trying to remove. It is important to use clean towels and change them often. It is not necessary to exert extreme pressure or use lots of muscle power, just use clean towels and buff Care + Maintain off until no fingerprints are visible. Once this is accomplished, the EarthPly® Care + Maintain will be hardened.)*

