FABRIC MAINTENANCE

Main precautions

The quantity of dry or greasy dust deposit on your sofa is the same as that, highly visible, deposited on your other furniture; it is therefore necessary to adopt the same rhythm of dust removal.

For regular removal of dust, vacuum regularly but never at full power and with a soft bristle brush endpiece, for this purpose exclusively.

Be careful never to achieve a significant level of dirt, potentially irreversible, including the most stressed parts (armrests, seats and upper back).

For stain removal or maintenance, use the offered maintenance set and follow the instructions carefully. Use only the supplied products.

The use of a steam cleaner is totally prohibited for cleaning.

Maintenance product should never be poured out directly onto the area to be treated, but by means of a sponge or a soft, clean, white cloth previously impregnated.

More or less important changes in color and aspect, shade or gloss, depending on the angle of view, are possible as a result of the weight of the occupants, their temperature, their sweat and from humidity of air. This shimmer phenomenon is normal and is a feature of some velvety fabrics.

Before any cleaning operation, a test of the resistance of color is essential. Dust first the seat; then soak a white, soft cloth in cleaner or in the suitable stain remover (following suggested quantity in the notice) and gently rub the fabric in a not visible place. The result will be conclusive once the fabric is completely dry.

A dry cleaning or dumpness professional cleaning is necessary for "washable" fabrics. The capacity of domestic washing machines is unsuitable to the volumes of seat covers.

No use of domestic tumble dryer, risk of marks and rings.

Specify the professional cleaner to close zippers and protect Velcro parts; this avoids the friction of those abrasive parts and damages such as pilling.

Generally, in case of stain we recommend as a priority to submit the cover to a professional cleaner as soon as possible, specifying the nature of the stain.

Each order is supplied with a maintenance set and a piece of fabric used for production. Information about composition and maintenance are available through the link communicated on the sample label or apart, inside the set box. For the Designers Guild fabrics, you find all information on their official web site. In case of mixed fibers please consider the most demanding characteristics fibers.

General information about fabric stain removal

Whatever the kind of stain, you must:

- If possible, take immediate action,
- Never carry out any localized friction; there is a risk of aspect changing or fabric fading
- Gently remove most of soiling using a knife (not the cutting side) or a spoon and buffer immediately with a clean, soft white cloth,
- Work on the stain acting from the edge towards the middle, to avoid rings,
- After identifying the nature of the spot, act according to more detailed instructions,
- If you use a product, never pour directly onto the stained area but on a clean white cloth,
- After application of the stain remover, gently buffer with a clean soft white and dry fabric until complete evaporation to avoid rings then, if necessary, revive the pile with a very soft bristle brush.

Textile and microfibre upholstery maintenance box

Package content:

- 50 ml nonfat textile shampoo,
- 1 sponge,
- 1 microfiber glove,
- 1 notice, repeated below.

Methodology

The first soiling factor of textile is the ambient dust which deposit on the seats. This dust is compressed on the textile by sitting on it and, little by little then tarnish textiles which become grey over time.

Dust removal

To fight against this phenomenon of dirt, it is necessary to regularly dust off your seats. This dust removal is to carry out using a vacuum cleaner with a soft brush endpiece reserved for this purpose.

Cleaning

Dust removal only eliminates dry dust. Greasy dust, common stains, human body sweating are not removed by this operation. To sanitize your seats textile, a quarterly or semi-annual maintenance operation is required. This is intended to eliminate the greyness related to the use of seats. It has to be made before dirt is actually deep incrusted into the fabric.

Cleaning method

Use a container with warm water.

Add 5 to 10% of textile conditioner.

Dip the cleaning glove in the liquid and wring it out slightly. Pass the cleaning glove over the entire surface of the fabric of your seats.

Regularly rinse the glove to remove collected dirt. At the end of cleaning, pass the glove, just wet of warm water, all over the fabric to rinse it. Let it dry. Vacuum.

Stains

For local stains use shampoo, not diluted. Pour the product on the sponge then apply it on the stain and emulsify without rubbing intensely. Absorb with a soft, clean white cloth or use an absorbent powder stain removal. See the related products offered on the website www.art-cuir.fr

You can also remove the stain and the product residues using a vacuum cleaner with a round nozzle. Be aware not to vacuum at full power.

N.B. microfibre

Never perform a localized friction that may cause fibers detachment and pilling.

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