

# **Care & Cleaning**

## **Antique Finish Hammered Copper**

Copper is a living metal that will naturally patina over time. Our Antique finish copper is a rich, warm brown, achieved through a hand-applied patina process. Our Antique finish is not waxed or sealed; it will react to its environment as the piece develops character. Acidic substances such as lemons, ketchup, or red wine may alter the copper finish after prolonged contact. A unique characteristic of copper is that it is self-healing, so not to worry – in a short time (usually just days) it will naturally re-patina itself. Antique's beauty is ever-changing and no two pieces are alike. Caring for this finish is particularly simple since the hammered texture does not show fingerprints. For basic cleaning, use mild soap and warm water. Abrasives should never be used as they may affect the finish. For extra protection, a product such as Flitz Faucet Wax + may be applied.

## **Tempered Finish Hammered Copper**

Copper is a living metal that will naturally patina over time. Our Tempered finish is a remarkable mottling of copper hues, created through a complex heating and cooling process. Products in Tempered finish are not sealed; they will develop character as they react to their environment. Acidic substances such as lemons, ketchup, or red wine may alter the copper finish after prolonged contact. A unique characteristic of copper is that it is self-healing, so not to worry – in a short time (usually just days) it will naturally re-patina itself. Tempered's beauty is ever-changing and no two pieces are alike. Caring for this finish is particularly simple since the hammered texture does not show fingerprints. For basic cleaning, use mild soap and warm water. Abrasives should never be used as they may affect the finish. For extra protection, a product such as Flitz Faucet Wax+ may be applied.

## **Polished Copper Finish**

Polished Copper will begin to patina as it reacts with its environment. However, if the desire is to maintain the bright, polished look, it is easy to protect. For basic cleaning, use mild soap and warm water. Abrasives should never be used as they may affect the finish. When the copper begins to patina we recommend Wright's Copper Cream to polish it, and any good copper wax such as Flitz Faucet Wax+ to maintain its original shine and luster. For a more lasting barrier we recommend Native Trails MetalProtect™, which offers long lasting protection against tarnish and smudges.

#### **Brushed Nickel Finish**

Our Brushed Nickel finish is achieved by plating nickel over copper, followed by careful hand brushing. Brushed Nickel is easy to maintain. Caring for this finish is particularly simple since the hammered, brushed texture does not show fingerprints. For basic cleaning, use mild soap and warm water. Abrasives should never be used as they may affect the finish. Acidic substances left on the nickel finish for extended periods of time may leave a slight dark mark, but this is easily removed with Flitz Polish or chrome polish.

#### **Polished Nickel Finish**

Our Polished Nickel finish is achieved by plating nickel over copper, followed by careful hand polishing. For basic cleaning, use mild soap and warm water. Abrasives should never be used as they may affect the finish. To maintain the bright, mirrored finish of Polished Nickel, use chrome polish; for longer lasting protection against smudges, fingerprints, and waterspots, we recommend Native Trails MetalProtect<sup>™</sup>.

#### **NativeStone®**

Our NativeStone Collection is reinforced with natural jute fiber, a remarkably strong and sustainable material. The result is a much lighter weight product, about 40% lighter than standard concrete, as well as an extremely crack-resistant product. We also use an exclusive low-VOC nano sealer that literally binds with the molecules in the concrete. This makes NativeStone exceptionally stain resistant. NativeStone is incredibly easy to keep looking like new. For ongoing maintenance, simply use mild, non-abrasive soap and cleaners. The sealer is highly stain and scratch resistant; however, normal care should be exercised and abrasives avoided. Wipe or rinse sink after use for best results. If your NativeStone product needs to have its sealer refreshed, we recommend our NativeStone Sealer.

#### Wood

Americana, Vintner's & Solace Collections and Acacia Furniture
Native Trails uses reclaimed and FSC certified wood in our furniture to ensure
their low impact on the earth. Clean spills from the wood with a soft cloth
and warm, soapy water. Dry the furniture with a second dry soft cloth or
allow it to air-dry.

For extra protection on Vintner's and Acacia items, rub the wood with carnauba wax or any high-quality furniture wax immediately after cleaning. Apply additional applications of wax as needed to keep your furniture protected and looking beautiful.