

# COTTAGE HOME

*Distinctive Cottage Furniture & Farmhouse Tables*

## **PRODUCT CARE GUIDE:** *Upholstery & Fabric Products*

### **GENERAL CARE**

1. It is essential to regularly (a least once a month) brush or vacuum your furniture to avoid the accumulation of dust and dirt. Reverse and fluff all loose back cushions and seat cushions regularly to prevent settling of fillings, excessive wrinkling, and to ensure even wear of fabrics.
2. Guard against placing your furniture in direct sunlight as this will cause the fabric to fade - or invest in UV blocking film on your windows. You will increase the life of your furniture, by not sitting on the arms or allowing children to jump on the seat cushions.
3. Do not dry-clean throw pillow or seat cushion covers of matching fabrics separately, as this may cause a slight change in color from frame fabric.

### **CLEANING UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE**

Upholstered furniture can be spot cleaned as required. The spot cleaning process will vary by the type of fabric.

*Immediate Action:*

You can dab spills with a cloth dampened with distilled water or club soda.

*Set-in Stains:*

A cleaning product compatible with your fabric can be used for spot cleaning. In all cases, a pre-test in a small, out of the way area needs to be done before proceeding with any cleaning product. For thorough cleaning, we recommend a professional in-home upholstery cleaning service.

### **SLIPCOVERS & REMOVABLE CUSHION**

To increase the longevity of our fabrics, we recommend dry cleaning for all slipcovers and cushion covers. All fringes and trims are dry-clean only. All matching fabrics (cushions, frame, throw pillows) need to be dry-cleaned (or washed) at the same time to avoid slight changes of color between pieces. Most pre-washed fabrics and outdoor fabrics are machine washable if proper washing instructions are followed. Please call Cottage Home with any questions about a particular fabric.



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### WASHING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **Pre-Washed Fabrics:**

\*\*\*This includes all fabrics without a cleaning code (PF-A, PF-B or PF-C) that do not say DRY CLEAN ONLY in description.\*\*\*

Machine washable. Do not overload washer. Use cold water, gentle cycle with mild detergent (like Tide, Woolite, or Dawn).

Close all zippers on seats, backs, and throw pillow covers to prolong seam life.

Dry on low heat or air dry until just damp - put back on piece while the cover is slightly damp.

#### **PF-A Cleaning Code fabrics (i.e. Al Fresco, Sunbrella, Outdura, Fortress):**

DO NOT dry clean.

Machine washable. Use warm water, gentle cycle with bleach. Do not overload washer.

Close all zippers on covers to prolong seam life.

DO NOT dry in dryer. Air dry only. Put back on piece while still slightly damp.

Spot clean with 1/4 cup bleach in warm water sprayed upon fabric. Soak fabric completely.

Use sponge or soft bristle brush to clean. Rinse thoroughly. Air dry.

#### **PF-B Cleaning Code fabrics (i.e. Crypton):**

DO NOT use bleach.

Machine washable. Do not overload washer. Use cold water, gentle cycle with mild detergent (like Tide, Woolite, or Dawn).

Close all zippers on covers to prolong seam life.

Dry on low heat in dryer or air dry until just damp Put back on piece while still slightly damp.

Before spot cleaning, blot liquids with clean, soft, towel and brush off loose dirt.

Mix 1/4 tsp mild detergent and 1 cup lukewarm water. Spray upon fabric, soaking completely.

Scrub with sponge or soft bristle brush, working from outside of stain in, rinsing sponge/brush frequently.

Rinse fabric and blot excess moisture when done. Air dry. Repeat as necessary.

#### **PF-C Cleaning Code fabrics (i.e. Halle-Laundered Stain Repellant Linen):**

DO NOT use bleach.

Dry cleaning is recommended.

Machine washable. Do not overload washer. Use cold water, gentle cycle with mild detergent (like Tide, Woolite, or Dawn).

Close all zippers on covers to prolong seam life.

Dry on low heat in dryer or air dry until just damp Put back on piece while still slightly damp.

Spot clean with mild detergent and forcefully blot stain continuously with dry, clean paper towel or cloth.

Wet as needed and do not rub.

Ironing may be needed to reactivate stain repellency.