

CARE INSTRUCTIONS

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CARE OF LEATHER

HANDBAG CARE

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Polish regularly with colourless polish/cream. Wipe to ensure cream is absorbed into the leather.
- Use a silicone spray occasionally.
- Clean patent leather with a soft cloth and a silicone spray.
- Wipe rain marks with a soft cloth and dry naturally.
- Brush suede leather regularly with a soft bristled horsehair brush.
- Overloading will cause distortion and weakening of fastenings.

SHOE CARE

- Shoes need the protection of a wax or cream dressing. Appropriate colours to be used.
- Always polish new shoes before wearing.
- Shoes should not be worn wet and should never be dried by heat.
- Leather footwear will benefit by being kept on shoe trees.
- Leather has pores that allow the feet to breathe and should not be regarded as waterproof.
- Suede Shoes – remove dust by gently brushing with a soft bristled horsehair brush.

CARING FOR YOUR ACCESSORIES

TIES

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- To care for your ties, it is best to send them to drycleaners when necessary.
- Stain remover products can be used on silk ties but follow the instructions as directed.
- When spot cleaning, dab the tie or wipe in the direction of the weave of the fabric, do not rub.
- Roll up ties when storing or hang them unknotted.

EYEWEAR

Cleaning:

- Rinse your eyewear with water before cleaning, clean lenses by using a quality lens spray or mild soap, then rinse with water.
- Glass Cleaner is not recommended as it may damage coating on the lenses.
- Polycarbonate lenses react with chemicals such as acetone or methylated spirit and hence these should not be used.
- Always use a clean soft lint free cloth to wipe the lenses after rinsing or cleaning.

- Do not use ordinary cloth or paper products that may have embedded dirt to clean eyewear as this can scratch the lenses.

Wearing and Handling:

- Do not wear eyewear on top of your head, as this can weaken or crack the frames or it could affect the optical alignment of the eyewear resulting in impaired vision.
- Take them off with two hands instead of one. This keeps the earpieces straight and in the right alignment.
- Always lay eyewear with lens surface face up on a steady surface to avoid scratches and store them inside a case when not in use.
- Do not leave eyewear in car dashboards.

BELTS

- Try not to wear the same belt everyday, as it will stretch or mould to the shape of your waist.
- Alternating belts will help retain its original shape.
- Store your leather belt by hanging it from its buckle on a tie or a belt rack.
- Folding it and storing in a drawer will cause it to wrinkle – when packing a belt in a suitcase, please curl from buckle end and wrap in a cloth or paper bag.
- Never hang your belts in sunlight as it can crack and fade.
- Never hang your belts in damp places as it may attract mildew and mould. Please ensure that the cupboard is well ventilated.

JEWELLERY

- Always wrap jewellery in paper tissue or cotton and keep it in an air-tight plastic bag or box.
- Polish gold, diamond or other semi-precious stones by soaking them in lukewarm water. Add one tablespoon of salt and mild detergent to remove grime.
- Brush gently with a soft bristle brush. This is the best home remedy to practice if you wear jewellery on a daily basis.
- Pearls are the most delicate of all jewellery pieces. Wrap them in cotton and store them in a plastic box. Avoid direct contact with perfume or cream. If you have sprayed perfume, wear pearls after the perfume has evaporated.
- All the jewellery should be kept in closed jewellery boxes.
- To remove the dust from under the stone of your ring take cotton buds soaked in cologne or glycerine and wipe the stone. Then polish the ring with flannel.
- Jewellery should be taken off when applying skin bleach.

SCARVES

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.

- Woolen scarves should not be washed in warm water and preferably should be only dry cleaned.
- Silk scarves should only be dry cleaned.
- Store the scarf in a drawer or accessory basket.

CARING FOR YOUR FINE GARMENTS

SHIRTS /TOPS

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Wash colours separately
- Collar stiffeners to be removed before washing or dry cleaning.
- Do not wring or tumble dry shirts after washing
- Allow to dry naturally on hangers away from direct heat.
- Cotton shirts should always be ironed while slightly damp.
- When ironing collars do not iron from end to end, instead iron from the front of the collar to the centre and then from the other end to the centre
- Always iron dark shirts from the reverse

T-SHIRTS

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Always use cold water when washing T-shirts.
- Turn T shirt inside-out if dried directly under the sun.
- Do not iron printed or embroidered parts of the T shirt.

EVENING WEAR/DRESSES

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- It is recommended that hanging is better than folding as this might cause unnecessary creasing
- When hanging, please leave plenty of space between other items in the wardrobe to avoid pressing, crumpling and creasing which might affect the shape of the dress.
- To spot clean, wet only the affected area and apply a pinch of high quality detergent (hand soap will also work), rub against the area needed and rinse out. Then blot the area with a towel and lay flat to dry. It is advised that you do not wring or pull the fabric.

TROUSERS

COTTON

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Remove the cotton pants from the washing machine when the cycle has ended. Shake the pants to help get the wrinkles out and hang them on a drying rack.
- Do not hang them in the sun as this might lead to shrinkage.
- Allow the cotton pants to air dry on the drying rack.
- Iron the cotton pants when damp.

DENIM

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Turn them inside out to wash them. This will help preserve the dye.
- Don't wash them daily as long as there are no stains or spills.
- Air out denim between each wear
- If the denim is stretchy, consider soaking them in water and soap and then rinsing them
- To remove chewing gum, freeze your jeans or apply ice to the area. You can then peel the gum right off the denim.
- Lay flat or hang upside down to dry.

WOOL

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Lay the pants to dry flat in their natural shape

CARING FOR YOUR OUTERWEAR/ACTIVEWEAR

HEADGEAR

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- It is best to pick up headgear either by the front or back of the brim.
- If your headgear must e necessarily be dried or stored under warm conditions, regular use of a Hat Stretcher will be beneficial.
- Dust can be removed by brushing with a soft brush.
- Dust can also be removed by wiping the hat with a damp (not wet) towel.
- Store headgear on a hat rack.

BEACHWEAR

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Dry flat or hang evenly to drip dry, out of the sun.
- Do not store when wet or damp as this may cause colours to run and accelerate deterioration
- Take care not to let sunscreen or oil touch beachwear.
- Store wet beachwear in a cloth bag,

GLOVES

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Drip-dry with the fingers facing upwards.
- While taking hand gloves off, pinch from the finger end and do not roll down from the wrist.

CARING FOR YOUR WINTERWEAR

WOOL

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Iron on reverse side to avoid shine.
- Fold and store wool garments flat to prevent shape distortion.

LEATHER AND SUEDE

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Clean small leather stains with leather cleaner and a damp cloth.
- Lightly brush suede to remove stains and avoid nap damage.

CASHMERE

- Follow the manufacturer's care instructions.
- Never rub or twist.
- Dry naturally on flat towel — not in direct sunlight or heat.
- Smooth out garment to original shape and size.