

## Cleaning & Care Instructions Tavolo Banquet Tables



### Tavolo Laminate Tabletops:

Tavolo tabletops feature a durable Wilsonart® laminate that ensures many years of reliable use. However, regular cleaning and care will increase the life of your product.

### Daily Maintenance for Tabletops:

For daily cleaning of laminate surfaces, all you need is dishwashing liquid, warm water, and a microfiber cloth. Apply a mixture of dish soap and water to the surface using your cloth. The cloth should be damp, but not dripping wet. Rinse thoroughly with warm water and wipe dry.

Difficult stains, such as coffee or tea, can be removed using a mild household cleaner/detergent and a soft bristled brush—repeat as necessary.



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### If a stain persists:

Use a paste of baking soda and water, then apply to the affected area with a soft bristled brush (a toothbrush works great). A light scrubbing of 10 to 20 strokes should remove most stains. Although baking soda is a low abrasive, excessive scrubbing or exerting too much force could damage the decorative surface.

Stubborn stains that resist any of the above cleaning methods may require the use of undiluted household bleach or nail polish remover. Apply the bleach or nail polish remover to the stain and let stand **no longer than two minutes**. Rinse thoroughly with warm water and wipe dry.

This step may be repeated if the stain appears to be going away and the color of the laminate has not been affected.

**WARNING:** *Prolonged exposure of the laminate surface to bleach will cause discoloration.*

Hot pans and heat-producing appliances (such as electric skillets), when set directly upon tabletops, can mar the product's beauty. **Always use a heat shield, hot pad, or trivet.**



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## Recommended cleaning solutions to use on tabletops:

- Windex®
- Glass Plus®
- Fantastik®
- Mr. Clean®
- Formula 409®
- Purell Multi-Surface
- Isopropyl Alcohol (Isopropanol)

## Disinfecting Tabletops:

Alcohol and bleach are acceptable chemical disinfectants if used appropriately. As with any other disinfectants, soiled surfaces need to be cleaned with water and detergent first. Bleach is a strong and effective disinfectant—its active ingredient, sodium hypochlorite, is effective in killing bacteria, fungi, and viruses.

**Please note:** *If bleach is not properly used, it can be harmful to the user and cause long-term damage to surfaces. Prolonged exposure of the laminate surface to bleach will cause discoloration.*

Cleaners with the following active ingredients in various ratios and solutions **pose a threat to any surface and cause irreparable damage:**

- Peroxide(s)
- Strong acids (phosphoric acid is often used, very low pH values)
- Strong bases (sodium hydroxide, potassium hydroxide, high pH values)
- Hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid, or hydrofluoric acid

With all cleaners, exposure time is the key. Often surface damage is due to poor removal of the cleaning agent (spills, drops, etc. that are not removed).

*It is recommended to test any cleaner on a small area of the surface before using. Prolonged exposure of disinfectants and sanitizers to laminate surfaces can cause degradation and/or discoloration.*



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**WARNINGS:**

- **Never** use abrasive cleaners, steel wool, pumice stone, or scouring pads
- **Never** wax or sand, apply lacquer, or other topical finish
- **Never** expose tabletops to standing water
- Hair, textile, and food dyes can cause permanent stains (wipe up immediately with dishwashing detergent or an all-purpose cleaner)
- **Never** place pots or dishes directly from the oven or burner on an unprotected laminate surface as extreme heat can cause cracking or blistering
- **Do not** use oven cleaners on an unprotected countertop (wipe spills away promptly and rinse several times with water)
- Rust removers contain harsh chemicals which will quickly cause permanent damage (Wipe off all residue immediately, wash thoroughly with soapy water, and rinse several times)
- Steel wool and other abrasive pads will damage surfaces (don't use for cleaning or store steel on your countertop)
- Toilet bowl cleaners contain harsh chemicals that can cause permanent damage (wipe up immediately, wash surface with soapy water, and rinse several times)

**Tavolo Wood Surfaces:**

To clean wood panels and surfaces, use a damp cloth or sponge and a mild soap or detergent. Rinse thoroughly with warm water and wipe dry.

Contact Wilsonart Technical Services at 1.800.433.3222 with questions.

