



**Circa 1850 Wood Bleach** is a two-component oxygen bleach formulated to remove the natural colour from bare wood and lighten the colour of stained wood. It is ideal for removing the greying effect that results from weathering and exposure to sunlight. **Circa 1850 Wood Bleach** lightens all wood types, including walnut, mahogany, and teak, as well as wood that has darkened from age. Some stains, such as black water marks and iron oxide pigments, may require other bleaches or sanding in order to be removed.

#### WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- ☐ Circa 1850 Wood Bleach      ☐ Protective Eyewear      ☐ Plastic Drop Cloth      ☐ White Vinegar
- ☐ Circa 1850 Stripping Gloves      ☐ Paint Brush or Sponge      ☐ Circa 1850 Finishing Pads (*coarse*) or Sand Paper (*180 grit*)

#### INFORMATION

Coverage: Approximately 10m<sup>2</sup> / 946mL kit (100ft<sup>2</sup> / qt kit)

Recommended Number of Applications: One application. Additional applications may be required to remove darker colours or on heavily stained surfaces.

#### SURFACES

Avoid using **Circa 1850 Wood Bleach** on finished surfaces, as the bleach may damage the finish. In order to lighten finished surfaces, it is necessary to first remove the finish using **Circa 1850 Furniture Stripper** (or other remover). Allow the surface to dry for a minimum of 24 hours between stripping and bleaching. Avoid contacting bleach with metal surfaces.

#### CONDITIONS

Avoid working in direct sunlight or wind.

Always work in a well-ventilated area.

#### PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Circa 1850 Wood Bleach** components and mixed solution can cause burns to eyes and skin. Before opening containers, ensure that protective eyewear, clothing and gloves are used. If contact with skin or eyes occurs, immediately flush affected areas with water for 15 minutes. After contact with eyes, get medical attention after flushing with water.

#### PREPARATION

Prior to working on your main project, it is always advisable to **TEST** the product on a scrap piece of the same species of wood.

Make sure all surfaces are completely dry and free of grease, oil, wax or any finish. Use **Circa 1850 Furniture Cleaner** or **SWING Liquid TSP Concentrate** to remove grease, oil, or wax, and allow surface to dry.

Use a plastic drop cloth to protect all areas surrounding the working surface.

Sand all wood surfaces in the direction of the grain with either a **Circa 1850 Finishing Pad** (coarse) or sand paper (180 grit).

Remove all dust from the wood surface using compressed air or vacuum.

#### APPLICATION

##### OPTION 1 - EQUAL MIXTURE APPLICATION (A + B)

Wear **Circa 1850 Stripping Gloves** and protective eyewear. In a clean, plastic container, mix equal quantities of **PARTS A** and **B**. Do not mix more than is required for one application. Using a synthetic paint brush or sponge, apply a coat of the new mixture. Ensure the solution does not puddle on the surface. The bleach should activate immediately. Allow the wood to dry for a minimum of 3 hours. Reapply a new mixture of bleach if additional lightening is desired. Once the desired appearance has been achieved, the surface needs to be neutralized. In a separate clean, plastic container, mix one part white vinegar with 2 parts warm water. Apply the diluted vinegar to the surface using a synthetic paint brush or sponge. Ensure the solution does not puddle on the surface. Allow to dry thoroughly for a minimum of 24 hours.

##### OPTION 2 - SEQUENTIAL APPLICATION (A then B)

Wear **Circa 1850 Stripping Gloves** and protective eyewear. Using a synthetic paint brush or sponge, apply **PART A** to the surface. Wait 1 minute, and apply **PART B** to the surface using a synthetic paint brush or sponge. Ensure the liquid does not puddle on the surface. The bleach should activate immediately. Allow the wood to dry for a minimum of 3 hours. Reapply in the same manner if additional lightening is desired. Once the desired appearance has been achieved, the surface needs to be neutralized. In a clean, plastic container, mix one part white vinegar with 2 parts warm water. Apply the diluted vinegar to the surface using a synthetic paint brush or sponge. Ensure the solution does not puddle on the surface. Allow to dry thoroughly for a minimum of 24 hours.

#### SANDING

After the surface has thoroughly dried, sand the wood if desired to remove any grain raise or rough areas. Follow the label directions for sanding for any finish that will be used.

#### HELPFUL HINTS

**CLEAN UP:** Clean tools with soap and water.

**STORAGE:** Store upright in a cool place, away from all sources of heat. Keep from freezing. Make sure to place **PARTS A** and **B** back into the outer box after usage in order to prevent exposure to light.

**DISPOSAL:** Dispose according to local regulations.

Liability limited to the purchase price of the product.