

Care & Maintenance

Umbrellas

Supplies Needed

1. Bucket or Spray bottle
2. Soft Bristle Brush or Sponge
3. Eye protection

Important Usage Precautions

Umbrellas are a great way to add an element of comfort and even style to your outdoor areas. To protect your umbrella from damage, you should follow these basic rules:

Always give your umbrella the proper support by securing it to an umbrella base. Even a light wind is capable of pulling an unsecured umbrella out of a patio table, which can cause damage to not only the umbrella, but also surrounding objects.

You should never leave an umbrella open when it is unattended or not in use.

If there is storm approaching or there is a possibility of winds, you should take the umbrella down. Even a closed umbrella can cause damage or can be broken by strong winds.

Cleaning & Maintaining the Canopy

Always wear eye protection to prevent foreign liquid or material from entering the eye.

Cleaning is required less frequently in a dry environment than in a humid one with heavy foliage. It is best to remove soiling as it happens as it will be much easier to clean. One of the best ways to keep the canvas looking fresh and to delay the need for deep cleanings is to hose fabrics off on a monthly basis with clear water. This practice will help prevent dirt from becoming deeply imbedded in the fabric and eliminate the need for more frequent vigorous cleanings.

DO NOT USE SOLVENTS, AEROSOL CARBON TETRACHLORIDE, SCOURING AGENTS, JANITORIAL CLEANSERS, GASOLINE, METAL BRUSHES OR HARD PLASTIC BRUSHES TO CLEAN YOUR UMBRELLA. THEY WILL BREAK THE INTEGRITY OF THE FABRIC.

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Canvas on the Umbrella

1. Brush off the loose dirt
2. Rinse the canvas with clean clear water
3. Prepare a mild soap (Do not use detergents) and water cleaning mixture
4. Brush the mixture you prepared on with a soft bristle brush
5. Allow to soak in for a couple of minutes
6. Rinse thoroughly with clean clear water
7. Raise canopy and allow to air dry. **DO NOT RAISE THE CANOPY IF THERE IS WIND OR STORM APPROACHING**

Frame of the Umbrella

Wipe down the frame as needed with a damp cloth. If soil has accumulated you can use a mild soap and water solution to loosen. Rinse thoroughly and dry with a towel. Never use abrasive cleaners on the frame. It will damage the finish.