



What sort of care does Amish furniture require?

Conversion Varnish is the most commonly used finish in the high end furniture market. When properly applied and cared for, the beauty of your furniture's finish will last for a long time. To maintain the beautiful appearance, a few rules apply to the care of your hardwood furniture:

- *Dust often along the grain in the wood.*
- *Maintain humidity levels at 35 - 45% as hardwoods expand and contract with changes in the humidity levels (the expansion and contraction will cause cracks and/or splitting) Radiators and wood stoves can dry out your new solid wood furniture.*
- *Keep the temperature in the 65 to 75 degree range. Maintain a temperature of 70° for the first 30 days. Your new finish does not achieve its maximum performance properties for at least 30 days from the time it was applied.*
- *Avoid exposure to water, direct sunlight and chemical exposure to your hardwood furniture.*
- *Keep your furniture out of direct contact with hot or cold air from your vents.*
- *Do not place damp newsprint, plastic toys or other plastic objects on your furniture. Dyes and inks from these items may discolor the finish over time or when moist.*
- *Be very careful when moving furniture as certain areas may not be able to handle as much pressure (i.e. the legs of a table may not be able to handle much sideways pressure) and guard against scratches that can damage the finish or wood.*
- *Clean your handcrafted furniture with just a damp cloth or a polish with no silicone. Chemical waxes, polishes or other cleaners can damage the finish of your new hardwood furniture. Read labels and stay away from anything that contains silicone.*