

CARING FOR YOUR SUNBRELLA® FABRICS

Q. Is dry cleaning safe for Sunbrella® fabrics?

A. Never dry clean Sunbrella® fabrics! Just follow the simple cleaning instructions here. Should you require professional cleaners, please contact an authorized dealer for assistance.

Q. How do I clean my umbrella covers?

A. For general or light cleaning, first brush off any loose dirt. Prepare a cleaning solution of 2 ounces (1/4 cup) mild soap per gallon of lukewarm water (less than 100°F/38°C). Use a sponge or a soft bristle brush to clean. Allow cleaning solution to soak into fabric. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue. Allow fabric to air dry.

For removable Sunbrella® fabric covers and shades, machine wash in cold water (less than 100°F/38°C). Depending on wash load size, use normal amounts of mild laundry soap. Allow fabric to air dry.

Q. What about for spot cleaning?

A. Apply a light mist of our recommended cleaning solution using a spray bottle. Work the solution into the stain by lightly scrubbing the area with a sponge or very soft bristle brush. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue. Blot excess moisture with a clean, soft towel or sponge. Wet-vacuum or blot excess water. Repeat these steps until stain is removed.

Q. How do you remove mildew?

A. Sunbrella® fabric does not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric. To clean mildew, or other stubborn stains, prepare a solution of 8 ounces (1 cup) of bleach and 2 ounces (1/4 cup) of mild soap per gallon of clean water. Spray on entire area and allow to soak into the fabric. Scrub vigorously with a soft bristle brush, sponge, or clean towel. Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue. Then, allow fabric to air dry.

If stain and/or mildew are severe, bleach quantities may be increased. When using a washing machine, use cold water (less than 100°F/38°C) and depending on wash load size, use normal amounts of mild laundry soap and add 1 cup of bleach. Alternatively, you may ask an authorized dealer for assistance. Maintenance and cleaning charges may apply.

It is highly recommended that they be retreated with 303 High Tech Fabric Guard™.

Q. How is 303 High Tech Fabric Guard used?

A. 303 should be applied to Sunbrella® fabrics *after each thorough cleaning*, which typically removes the original finish and reduces the fabric's water repellency. When the fabric has dried completely, apply 303 Fabric Guard in a well-ventilated area following instructions on the container. Apply it in a thin, even coat and allow fabric to dry completely. Apply a second thin, even coating of 303. (Two light coatings are more effective in restoring fabric water resistance than a single heavy coating. A 15-ounce bottle provides coverage of up to 50 square feet of fabric.)