

Congratulations on purchasing your new, unique countertop! We want you to enjoy it for years to come. If you ever have any questions regarding your top, please drop us a line and we'll be happy to assist you. Care and maintenance for the finish on your Against the Grain WoodTop is easy and simple, especially when compared to other oil and wax finishes.

Cleaning All ATG Tops

Normal Cleaning: Simply wipe with a clean damp cloth. A 1-part vinegar to 4-part water mixture can be used if needed for heavier dirt or grease.

Intense Cleaning: Damp wipe with **Rubio Surface Care Spray/Rubio Natural Soap** (Click [Here](#) to see on Amazon).

These are cleaners specifically designed to clean the finish and not leave a residue behind. Surface Care is ready-to-use. Rubio Natural Soap is a concentrated version of Surface Care Spray and must be diluted according to instruction (100:1 water/soap ratio, or roughly 18-20 drops per quart or liter).

VERY IMPORTANT - Do not use any cleaners other than these, as most are too harsh and will strip the protective properties of the finish.

For a reminder of whether your top features a Traditional Finish or a Natural Finish, give us a quick call and we'll be happy to help.

Traditional Finish

Care

The Traditional Finish on your WoodTop is food safe and ready to use upon installation. It will resist staining from all common kitchen substances, but for best care, they should not be allowed to sit on the finish for extended periods of time. We do not recommend cutting directly on the top with a knife, as it can cut through the finish. Best practice is to use a cutting board for food prep.

Rejuvenation

At some time in the future, just like any other finish, you will start to see signs of wear, such as a dulling of the finish. This is normal and can be addressed with a timely application of Waterlox Satin finish. We usually find our countertops can be used for years before needing any rejuvenation. We offer a full-service cleaning and application service for those so inclined, or for DIY types it can be performed relatively easily, and we are happy to provide personalized guidance.

Natural Finish

Care

The Natural Finish on your WoodTop has a seven-day cure period, during which it cannot get wet for any reason. Normally, most WoodTops will have completely cured before installation, but if you have any question as to whether your top has cured completely, please simply ask us.

Rejuvenation

At some time in the future, just like any other finish, you will start to see signs of wear, such as a dulling of the finish. This is normal and can be addressed with an application of Rubio Maintenance Oil. We usually find our countertops can be used for years before needing any rejuvenation.

