

Nórtica Products

Care Instructions

Product Overview

Nórtica is the latest development within Play'n'Learn's natural outdoor furniture range. The Nórtica collection brings together robust, modern design, with sustainably sourced raw materials that have been carefully chosen for the highest durability.

Nórtica represents Play'n'Learn's commitment to both functional design, and long-lasting quality. All our Nórtica products are fit for purpose; over the long term.

Why you should care for your Nórtica product(s)

Nórtica products are an attractive golden-brown coloured timber which will eventually age to driftwood grey if left to weather.

To minimise surface checking, cupping or weathering and maintain Nórtica's attractive colouring, we recommend coating your Nórtica products regularly with a penetrating oil.

When is care & maintenance required for Nórtica products?

Nórtica products do not require a high level of maintenance as they are robust and constructed from hardwood. However, regular re-coating/re-staining will ensure the aesthetics of the products are kept.

Coating #1: [Optional] – Within 4-6 weeks of delivery

This is optional but recommended. Within 4-6 weeks of delivery allows enough time for the timber to 'acclimatise' to your local climate and surroundings. 4-6 weeks is the optimal time for recoating as the timbers are at their most receptive state for penetrative coatings such as CD50 Extreme Oil that Play'n'Learn recommends.

Follow the coating guide at the back of these care instructions.

Coating #2: 6 months following delivery, or 1st coating.

Nórtica products must be coated with CD50 Extreme Oil within 6 months of delivery, or 6 months after the first coating, if you chose to coat within 4-6 weeks of delivery, as recommended.

Follow the coating guide at the back of these care instructions.

Coating #3: Re-coat every 12 months as required.

We recommend that as they age, Nórdica products should be recoated with CD50 Extreme Oil every 6-12 months, following their initial, or second coating. Follow the coating guide at the back of these care instructions.

Coating Instructions

Tools you may need:

- Specific cleaning products
- Rag for cleaning off excess oil
- Hardwood oil, which protects
- Sandpaper or Sanding machine
- Soft brush or roller
- A bucket of water

Step 1.

Check the weather – you want to be sure that the Nórdica product is dry and will have a chance to dry once you've applied the CD50 Extreme Oil. Also, you should not apply oil to your Nórdica product if the temperature will be below 10°C or above 30°C.

Step 2.

Clean off your Nórdica product. Depending on how dirty it is, you may just need to sweep it, or pressure washing may be required. If you are washing it down with a cleaner and brightener or pressure washing, be sure you give it enough time to properly dry before applying the oil.

It may be best to wash on a Friday afternoon, and coat on a Saturday.

Step 3.

Pick the right type of oil for Nórdica timber. As an exotic hardwood you should pick an oil specifically formulated for Nórdica timber. Chose a penetrative oil-based product that gives you a natural wood finish. Play'n'Learn recommends [CD50 Extreme Oil](#), which can be purchased from [Bunnings](#).

Step 4.

Mix the oil evenly. Apply the oil to Nórdica product with either a roller or a brush. Coat all boards evenly.

If oil pools and becomes sticky on the surface, remove the excess oil with a rag and turpentine.

Wait the recommended time on oil tin and apply a second coat.

Step 5.

Wipe off any excess oil with a rag. How long you wait before wiping off the excess oil will depend on your climate. The hotter and sunnier, the faster you will need to dab the surplus off.

Step 6.

Dispose of the rag, the oil canister/bucket, and the roller properly. You do not want to leave the product out in the sun as it may be flammable and could spark a fire.

Once the oil has dried, which should be after about 48 hours, you can go back to enjoying your outdoor Nórctica furniture and products!

Also note is it best not to apply:

- during temperatures above 35°C or below 10°C
- if rain or dew is expected within four hours of application
- to hot surfaces or those in direct sunlight

Doing so may result in difficult application, poor adhesion and blistering.

Each brand is different so make sure you follow the instructions on the tin.

Oiling is not a permanent Nórctica product maintenance solution. To keep your Nórctica product protected, oil will need to be reapplied periodically. Check with the brand of oil you are using for a recommended timeframe.