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## PRODUCT ADVICE

### *Tile Care & Maintenance*

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Tiles are a fantastic wall and floor covering as it is known for its water resistance and easy cleaning. Follow the correct maintenance routine and your tiles will look amazing for years to come.

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## INTERNAL TILE TIPS

A general sweep or vacuum to floors prior to using any cleaning products will help provide the best results. Cleaning your tiles on a weekly basis with a damp mop in warm water and a diluted cleaner is an excellent form of regular maintenance.

Diluting a home-remedy cleaner such as a dash of methylated spirits in warm water is a safe method and should avoid damaging the tile. Using an everyday multipurpose spray cleaner will help to remove soap scum, hard water deposits, and mildew on wall tiles in your bath or shower. If you are hesitant to use a new cleaner, we suggest conducting a trial on a spare sample tile or small area before cleaning the full area.

For daily cleaning we recommend using products that are neutral and avoid cleaners that are acidic or soap based as these can damage the glazed tile surface or grout. We strongly suggest avoiding polishes or gritty, coarse cleaners or cleaning tools on tiles.

Cleaning your floors from one end of the room to the other will help to avoid walking over wet tiles as this could cause potential injury.

## EXTERNAL TILE TIPS

Prior to commencing a clean, we suggest sweeping and hosing down the area.

Only hose down the area if your external area is suitable to be saturated, starting closest to the house and working away from the wall. If the area is considerably large, try cleaning in smaller sections.

Depending on the tile, it is possible that a slightly stronger cleaning product may be required. Using an organic acid cleaner with no mineral acid content could be used for a heavier clean. Prior to use, please refer to the manufacturer's instructions and seek professional advice as suitability, application and frequency of products may vary.

Cleaning your floors from one end of the room to the other will help to avoid walking over wet tiles as this could cause potential injury. Once complete, be sure to eliminate any remaining dirt or excess cleaner that requires removal.

## HELPFUL TIPS

Once your tiles are laid, we recommend sealing your natural stone tiles and grout.

If your freshly laid tiles appear to be covered by a dull haze, a simple wipe with a dry, clean cloth should remove any of the remaining grout residue causing the haze.

A regular vacuum and sweep of your floors will remove any abrasive debris and protect your tiles.

Be sure to check that your cleaner is intended for the application, use, and traffic level.

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