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## STITCH & HAND COLLECTION VELVET

The velvet fabric from our Stitch & Hand Collection is a cotton polyester blend that requires care to keep it looking beautiful and well-maintained for years to come. Like most fabrics, velvet is susceptible to fading when exposed to direct sunlight. To avoid this fading, try to keep the velvet out of direct sunlight or use window treatments to block the sun's rays.

### Care & Maintenance:

To keep velvet fabric looking fresh and clean, it is important to dust it regularly. Use a soft, dry cloth or a dusting brush to gently remove dirt and dust. Avoid using rough or abrasive cloths, as these can damage the fabric. Velvet fabric can also be vacuumed to remove dirt and dust. Use a low suction setting and a brush attachment to avoid damaging the fabric. Be sure to go over the fabric in multiple directions to ensure that all dirt is removed.

In the event that the velvet pile is flattened or creased, it can be straightened out using indirect steam from a steamer (on a low heat setting) and some light brushing. Be sure that the steam head and handle do not directly touch the fabric, as the pressure and steam could lay the pile flat, essentially pressing it down. Instead, hover the steamer head an inch or so from the fabric and follow up with a garment brush while the fabric is still warm to restore the appearance of the pile.

### Spot Cleaning

Spot clean as needed: If spills or stains occur on the velvet fabric, it is important to address them as soon as possible. Use a mild detergent and a clean, damp cloth to gently blot at the stain. Avoid rubbing or scrubbing the fabric as this can cause it to become damaged or discolored. Velvet fabric is delicate and can be easily damaged by heat or harsh chemicals. Avoid using heat-based cleaning methods or chemicals that contain bleach or other strong agents.





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# STITCH & HAND COLLECTION UPHOLSTERY

Upholstered Dining Chairs, Club Chairs, and Sofas from our Stitch & Hand Collection are carefully constructed to be durable, versatile and comfortable. These high-quality details can be found within Essentials For Living's curated selection of upholstered furniture.

## Construction

1. High-Carbon steel coils with **8-Way Hand-Tied** (aka hand-knotted) Suspension (Sofa Upholstery).
  - Some Exceptions include: Sinuous Spring Construction (see website for further details).
2. Wood frames that are **routed, corner blocked, glued and screwed**.
3. Wood **frame tops, sides and fronts that are foam padded** for touch point comfort.
4. Solid wood frames consist of **kiln-dried hardwoods and engineered woods**.
5. Outside arms and backs that are **fully finished, plywood encased and foam padded**.
6. Fully **reversible seat and back cushions** (unless stated otherwise).
7. Fully **bagged & baffled seat and back cushions** (Most Club Chairs).

8. Seat cushions consist of **2.2lb foam cores, 50% water fowl down & feather blend + 50% Dacron fiber blend**. Filling is then enveloped on top and bottom of the seat cushions within a high quality, **breathable down-proof ticking bag** (Most Club Chairs).
9. Throw pillows are bagged & filled with **100% water fowl down & feather blend**.
10. All Cushions & Pillows feature a **zipper closure for easy removal, care, and cleaning** (see individual product features for more information).
11. Solid wood feet have **nail-on nylon glides** to protect the floor from scratches.

## Not Shown Here, But Applies to Other Items

- Heavy Gauge, **No-Sag Sinuous Spring** seat foundation (Dining & Club Chairs).
  - Some Exceptions include: Woven Webbed Suspension & 8-way hand-tied coils (see website for further details).
- Sofas & Sectionals have **tie-downs (aka bench clips)** to prevent cushions from shifting.
- **Under mount, metal snap-style connectors** to ensure components stay together (Sectional Upholstery).







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Down-filled cushions and pillows from our Stitch & Hand Collection require care to keep up their appearance. The key issue being continued thickness and cushioning. It is normal that down-filled cushions will flatten over time as air leaves the cushion. It is also important to clean and freshen your down-filled cushions, ensuring you always follow the cleaning codes for the cushion covers containing your down fill.

## Care & Maintenance:

### Restoring Loft

To maintain the even thickness of your cushions and pillows over time it is important to rotate them. It is also recommended that you not sit in the same position on the sofa or chair regularly. Fluffing (shaking and squeezing) your pillows and cushions will help distribute the down evenly throughout the piece and help bring air back into the cushion.

### Cleaning

The easiest way to keep for furniture clean is to remove and clean the cushion covers and / or slipcovers when possible. Down cushions and pillows can become moist which can cause a slight smell. The best way to remove the odor is to remove the down section from the cover and place them outside on a sunny day for several hours. Another option is to spray your item with a fabric air freshener.

