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## SEL DE MER COLLECTION RATTAN



Rattan has a natural beauty, warmth and texture that makes every room more interesting. From hand-bent frames to texture-rich weaves like cane and wicker, all of our rattan pieces are made completely by hand using time-honored techniques. Rattan is a strong, pliable, lightweight and sustainable material. Each piece is handcrafted by skilled artisans in Indonesia using naturally derived materials. The Matte Gray rattan finish may vary in color due to the natural absorption of the stain by the rattan material.



### Care & Maintenance:

Small, grass-like strands may protrude from the rattan weaves. Do not pull on them as doing so may damage the rattan peel. Instead, carefully trim the loose fibers with scissors.

Cracking may occur if left in direct sunlight or a dry environment. To prevent this, moisten the rattan every month using a damp white cotton cloth and let dry naturally. The use of a small humidifier in the room may also help protect from cracking. As rattan ages, it will take on a more muted shade for that lived-in look we love. To preserve its beauty, use it indoors and avoid exposure to the sun.

To protect the seats and backs on cane and wicker furniture, avoid putting undue stress (like standing or kneeling) on the rattan weave. Our rattan poles and weaves have a clear lacquer finish for added durability.

### Cleaning

Blot spills immediately with a damp cloth. Do not rub the soiled area. Gently dab and blot instead, allowing remaining moisture to dry naturally. Rubbing can cause abrasions, permanently damaging the rattan.

For harder to remove stains, use a soft brush and mild soapy water and rinse well. Then let it dry naturally. Avoid the use of cleaners and abrasives, as these will damage the rattan.

For dusting, vacuum the rattan weaves periodically using a soft brush attachment or comb the surface with a soft bristle brush. This can help dislodge and remove some of the debris left behind in-between the weaves. Dust rattan poles with a soft cloth.

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATION:** Sel De Mer Collection products are made by hand from local artisans, who weave one piece at a time from natural rattan. These products include unavoidable variation in color (due to the dye process in which each piece of rattan absorbs color differently), texture, uneven grain, blemishes, scratches, marks, and cracks. These features are not defects, but rather part of the material's natural characteristics. By ordering from this collection, you accept the characteristics unique to each item and the hand woven nature of the product. You agree that no claims will be approved regarding these natural variations. Special care should be taken to protect this natural finish.

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