

# CARE AND CLEANING GUIDE

## LIVING FINISHES



Antique Bronze



Caribbean Bronze



Tuscan Bronze



Unlacquered Polished Brass



Weathered Brass

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### **SUGGESTED FINISH MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE FOR ANTIQUE BRONZE, CARIBBEAN BRONZE, TUSCAN BRONZE, UNLACQUERED POLISHED BRASS AND WEATHERED BRASS**

1. Do not allow water spots to dry on the fixture. Keep the surface clean and dry after use.
2. Periodic cleaning can be done by using a micro-crystalline wax (we recommend Renaissance Wax). Apply the wax with a soft non-abrasive tissue paper, and gently buff the wax with a soft clean cloth to help remove surface spots and add a protective coating to the finish.
3. Never use cleaners with bleach, abrasives, or vinegar. Never use any type of abrasive pad or sponge.

#### **ABOUT YOUR FINISH:**

These finishes are considered Living Finishes and have **NO PROTECTIVE COATING** on them. Living finishes are finishes that have a very shallow patina on their surface. Essentially, the finish is what nature would do to the surface over a long period of time. The finishes are intended to change with time and generally darken slightly where they are not being touched, and highlight where the high use points are on the fixture. Hand oils, soaps, and acidic fluids and cleaners can damage the finish. These finishes are not durable, and are easily scratched or scuffed. Any type of astringent cleaner or any type of abrasive cleanser, pad, cloth or sponge will damage the finish. To help keep the surface on the fixture from oxidizing in the packaging, Waterstone initially applies a wax to the finish surface to help protect and prevent the finish from exposure to air and oxidizing prior to installation.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

It is the responsibility of the customer to check for any material finish defects **BEFORE** installation. Waterstone does not warranty these finishes **AFTER** installation.

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### **SUGGESTED FINISH MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE FOR BLACK-OIL RUBBED BRONZE**

1. Do not allow water spots to dry on the fixture. Keep the surface clean and dry after use.
2. Periodic cleaning can be done by applying mineral oil to a clean soft cloth and gently wiping down the finish surface to clean. Make sure not to rub too hard, in that you can remove too much of the surface patina surface with aggressive cleaning.
3. Once the mineral oil has been applied, with a clean soft dry cloth gently pat the finish surface to remove any excess oil on the fixture to until the fixture no longer looks “wet”.
4. Never use cleaners with bleach, abrasives, or vinegar. Never use any type of abrasive pad or sponge.



*Black-Oil Rubbed Bronze*

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### **SUGGESTED FINISH MAINTENANCE PROCEDURE FOR WEATHERED COPPER**

1. Do not allow water spots to dry on the fixture. Keep the surface clean and dry after use.
2. Periodic cleaning can be done by applying denatured isopropyl alcohol to a clean soft cloth and gently wiping down the finish surface to clean. Do not rub too hard, in that you can remove too much of the surface patina. This step will leave the finish looking a shade darker.
3. Using a different soft clean cloth, apply a non-abrasive metal polish (we recommend “Miracle Shine” by GSM) to the cloth and gently rub the polish into the finish. This will clean, protect, and brighten up the finish after it was left darker from the alcohol cleaning in step 2.
4. Never use cleaners with bleach, abrasives, or vinegar. Never use any type of abrasive pad or sponge.



*Weathered Copper*

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