

# Care and Maintenance



Taking care of your Vadara surface is simple — follow these easy Care and Maintenance tips to maintain the beauty and durability of your investment for years to come.

## Daily Care and Maintenance

Use a mild dishwashing liquid, such as Palmolive® Ultra Strength Original Liquid Dish Soap or Windex® Vinegar Cleaner. You may also use a 50/50 mix of vinegar and water.

After cleaning, be sure to rinse your surface with warm water and dry with clean, cotton cloth or paper towel.

## Stubborn, Dried-On Stains and Spills

Use a light or non-abrasive cleaner by applying it to a clean cotton cloth or paper towel, not directly onto the surface. Use a circular motion on the affected area, rinse and dry thoroughly.

The following cleaners are recommended for use on Vadara surfaces with dried-on spills.

- Bar Keepers Friend® Soft Cleanser
- Bar Keepers Friend® Spray and Foam Cleanser
- Windex® Vinegar Glass Cleaner

When using Bar Keepers Friend Cleanser powder, first apply it to a damp clean cloth or paper towel, then squeeze together several times to form a paste before applying to your surface.

To remove any stuck-on material such as food, gum or nail polish, start by scraping away the excess material with a plastic putty knife. Clean any remaining residue with a damp cloth. Always thoroughly rinse off any soap or cleaner with hot water after cleaning and dry with a soft cloth or paper towel.

## Chemicals and Harsh Cleaners

Avoid exposing your surface to any of the following:

- Oven, grill, toilet bowl, furniture, or drain cleaners
- Paint and floor strippers, or tarnish removers
- Oil-based soaps and cleansers
- Battery acid or any other caustic substances

Immediately rinse the area with water if your surface is exposed to these types of products. Prolonged exposure may cause discolouration or damage to your surface.

## Resistance to Heat

Vadara is heat resistant, but not heat proof. We strongly recommend using trivets or hot plates to protect your surface from damage caused by sudden temperature changes — especially when using cooking units such as electric frying pans or crock pots. Never place your hot pots and pans directly onto your surface.

## Cutting

Never cut directly onto your surface, as it will result in residual metal knife marks. These are not scratches and can be removed by using the same steps for treating Stubborn Stains and Spills. We strongly recommend the use of chopping boards.

## No Sealer Required

Do not apply sealers or polishes to your Vadara surface. They are not necessary and over time can cause your surface to appear dull and/or inconsistent.