

Care and Cleaning



One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella brand fabrics looking good and to delay the need for deep or vigorous cleanings is to hose fabrics off on a monthly basis with clear water. This practice will help prevent dirt from becoming deeply imbedded in the fabric and eliminate the need for more frequent vigorous cleanings.

When cleaning Sunbrella fabrics, it is important to observe the following:

- **Always use a natural soap (like anitbacterial dishwashing liquid). Never detergent.**
- **Water should be cold to lukewarm. Never more than 100 degrees.**
- **Air dry only. Never apply heat to Sunbrella fabrics.**

If stubborn stains persist, you can use a diluted chlorine bleach/soap mixture for spot cleaning of mildew, roof run-off or other similar stains

Prepare a special cleaning mixture:

- **Four ounces (half cup) of chlorine bleach.**
- **Two ounces (one-fourth cup) of natural soap.**
- **One gallon of water.**
- **Clean with soft bristle brush.**
- **Allow mixture to soak for up to 20 minutes.**
- **Rinse thoroughly.**
- **Air dry.**
- **Repeat if necessary.**

Re-treating the Fabric

As part of the finishing process, Sunbrella fabrics are treated with a fluorocarbon finish, which enhances water repellency. This finish is designed to last for several years, but must be replenished after a thorough cleaning. Based on test results, Glen Raven recommends 303 High Tech Fabric Guard™



303 should be applied to Sunbrella fabrics after each thorough cleaning, which typically removes the original fluorocarbon finish and reduces the fabric's water repellency. After cleaning the fabric, allow it to air dry completely and then apply 303 in a thin, even coat.