

## Clear Coated Blackened Steel Care Sheet

## Finish Note:

Each original handcrafted steel item is finished with a layer of clear coating. Beneath this protective coating, the look of the metal finish may mature over time. Special care should be taken to preserve the clear coat during use and routine cleaning to ensure the integrity of the material and finish. As with all metal furnishings, this item can be professionally refinished at any time.

## Scratches:

Scratches in the layer of clear coat will expose the metal beneath to further damage. To repair, a new layer of clear coat should be applied. We recommend a professional attend to any scratches on this material.

## Care and Cleaning:

These items require specific care to protect the metal underneath from oxidizing, which will cause damage and discoloration. We recommend that these items be cleaned regularly and gently with a damp microfiber cloth.

We do not recommend a cleaning solution be used with this material. When we do recommend a cleaning solution, which in this case we do not, we recommend nothing stronger than a Dawn-style unscented dish soap. When in doubt of a cleaner's strength, it is always preferable to dilute the cleaner in water rather than use too strong a solution. Always avoid particularly acidic or strong cleaners, as well as excessive force. Use finesse and patience rather than elbow grease.

You will require a microfiber cloth, available at any major grocery store or appliance store. They are frequently sold as eyeglass cleaning cloths. This special cloth helps to avoid scratching the metal by providing as smooth a surface as possible.

To clean this item, wipe the damp microfiber cloth gently in expanding, circular motions.