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CARE GUIDE

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CARING FOR YOUR PIECE

Zinc, pewter, brass, copper and bronze surfaces are relatively easy to maintain, but they come with some precautions. As these are organic materials, i.e. living metals, they oxidize and respond to their environment. The finish will change, but how much it will change is completely dependent on its environment, what it comes into contact with and how it is cared for.

DAILY MAINTENANCE

Mild soap and water or a basic household cleaner (such as 7th Generation, Simple Green or Ammonia- Free Windex) is all it takes to keep these surfaces clean. A basic daily or after-use wipe down is generally enough to maintain the surface appearance and cleanliness.

AVOID/ DO NOT USE

- Avoid leaving acidic materials like lemons, limes or orange juice on the surface.
- Do not use harsh cleaners like bleach, ammonia or citrus juices.
- Do not cut directly on the material, instead use a cutting board.
- Do not hit the material with items such as shakers, ice breakers, etc.
- Do not place hot items directly on surface, instead use a trivet.
- Do not use rubber mats or anything that traps moisture.

When acidic materials are placed on the surface the patina will lift, temporarily lightening the area. To minimize, wipe away spills with warm water. Using rubber mates will immediately void the warranty. Long-term trapped moisture will degrade the material.

SEAL APERTURES

To prevent any moisture from seeping into the substrate, faucet holes or beer taps must be sealed properly with silicone from the top and bottom. Leaks not properly sealed are not covered by warranty. Gaskets are needed for faucets and beer taps. Regularly check for any leaks and reseal immediately if needed.

COATING

Cast metals are either coated with polymer sealant or lacquer. Lacquer has a satin, smooth finish and will "freeze" the finish. Lacquer will need to reapplied periodically but the metal will not naturally age. The other option, polymer sealant, allows the top to continue to naturally age. Polymer sealant is temporary but when the coating starts to fade, it can be repurchased from La Bastille and reapplied easily in a home or business.

Sheet metals are sealed with wax. Wax can be reapplied to protect the finish. For a complete list of recommended wax brands, please visit www.labastille.com/faq.

If you have any questions about how to care for the material or notice any irregularities, please contact La Bastille immediately.

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