

# Sunbrella® Sling Care and Cleaning



One of the best ways to keep Sunbrella Sling fabrics looking good is to brush off dirt and debris before it becomes embedded in the fabric and to address messes and spills soon after they occur. The quicker you clean spills, the easier they can be to remove.

## General or Light Cleaning

- Rinse with clean water.
- Prepare a solution of 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of luke warm water or use [Sunbrella Clean™ Multi-Purpose Fabric Cleaner](#).
- Use a soft bristle brush to clean the fabric.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue and allow fabric to air dry.
- Repeat as necessary.

## Heavy Cleaning For Stubborn Spills and Mildew

Sunbrella fabrics do not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances if not removed from the fabric.

*To remove mold and mildew:*

- Prepare a solution of 1 cup of bleach and 1/4 cup mild soap per gallon of water or use [Sunbrella Renew™ Mold & Mildew Stain Remover](#).
- Spray on entire area and allow the solution to sit for 15 minutes. Continue to spray area if it begins to dry too quickly.
- Clean entire surface area with a sponge, clean towel or very soft bristle brush.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry. For severe mold/mildew growth, bleach quantities may be increased.

It is best to clean the entire surface area of the fabric to avoid water rings and residue.

## Oil-Based Spills

Immediately apply an absorbent such as cornstarch directly on the oil-based spill. Let sit for 10 minutes and remove the excess using a straight edge or ruler. This helps remove the spill and prevents it from being pressed into the fabric. Then proceed with the cleaning process.

For tough stains, use [Sunbrella Extract™ Oil Based Stain Remover](#) or treat with a strong degreaser and rinse thoroughly.

Specific information on cleaning is available in our [Cleaning Guide](#).

## Retreating Sunbrella Fabrics

Sunbrella fabrics are engineered to provide long-term performance. After repeated thorough cleanings, or extended use and exposure, you may choose to refresh your fabrics with an appropriate retreating agent. We recommend [Sunbrella Restore™ Fabric Protector & Repellent](#), available in the United States, and [Tex'Activ](#), available internationally.

*Applying a retreatment:*

- Clean Sunbrella fabric, using one of the cleaning methods outlined.
- Allow fabric to completely air dry.
- Apply retreatment outdoors in a well-ventilated area following instructions on the container.

## Helpful Hints

While Sunbrella fabric offers excellent protection against stains, full removal is not always guaranteed if spills are not addressed promptly.

Avoid scrubbing, hard bristle brushes or any other abrasive cleaning method.

Sunbrella should only be allowed to air dry.

Protect the area around your Sunbrella fabric when using bleach or other chemical solvents that may discolor non-Sunbrella fabrics. Always rinse Sunbrella thoroughly.

Bleach can have harmful effects on the natural environment around you. Please follow all safety and environmental precautions according to the bleach label.