

care and cleaning

Sunbrella® Shadow

Sunbrella® fabrics should be cleaned regularly before substances such as dirt and food particles are allowed to accumulate on and become embedded in the fabric. This practice will eliminate the need for more frequent vigorous cleanings.

Machine Washing

- Pre-treat any heavily stained areas with an appropriate stain remover (see Stain Chart).
- Depending on wash load size, use normal amounts of mild laundry soap.
- Machine wash in warm water (less than 100°F/38°C) for best results.
- Air dry.

Spot Cleaning

- Apply a light mist of mild soap and water using a spray bottle.
- Work the solution into the stain by lightly scrubbing the area with a sponge or soft cloth.
- Rinse thoroughly to remove all soap residue.
- Air dry.
- Repeat these steps until stain is removed.

For Stubborn Stains and/or Mildew

Sunbrella fabric does not promote mildew growth, however, mildew may grow on dirt and other foreign substances that are not removed from the fabric. To clean mildew, or other stubborn stains:

- Add 1 cup of bleach (8 ounces) to the cleaning solution as suggested in Mashing Washing section.
- Soak fabric for 10 – 15 minutes in the diluted cleaning solution (stop machine prior to agitation).
- Machine wash in warm water (less than 100°F/38°C) for best results.
- Air dry.

If stain and/or mildew are severe, bleach quantities may be increased.

Professional Cleaners

When evaluating the services of a professional firm, you should inquire about the firm's experience in working with Sunbrella fabrics and knowledge of cleaning requirements. Do NOT dry clean Sunbrella fabrics.

Helpful Hints

Protect the area around your Sunbrella fabric when using a bleach solution – bleach may discolor non-Sunbrella fabrics. Always rinse Sunbrella thoroughly to completely remove bleach.

Sunbrella air dries very quickly. Machine drying is not necessary.

If fabric has some wrinkling, use an iron, if necessary, but only on the synthetic* setting. As some irons exceed the recommended 100°F/38°C temperature on the synthetic setting, test a small inconspicuous area before ironing entire piece.

Do NOT use a steamer or iron set to steam setting.

* Synthetic fabric heat settings normally do not exceed 150°F/66°C.

