

# Array®

## Care & Maintenance

Array Solid Surfaces are homogeneous and solid throughout with mineral-filled acrylic polymer material making maintenance easy.

Note: Darker colors of Array Solid Surface tend to require more maintenance than lighter colors.

- **Routine Cleaning of Countertops and Sinks:**

Just use soap and water or an ammonia based cleanser (example: glass cleaner). Wipe away water stains using a damp cloth or sponge.

- **Removing Difficult Stains:**

- Matte Finishes: Use an abrasive cleanser and a maroon Scotch-Brite® pad. Rub in a circular motion.
- Semi-Gloss Finishes: Use Soft Scrub® diluted bleach and a white Scotch-Brite® pad. Rub in a circular motion.
- High-Gloss Finishes: Follow the procedure for semi-gloss surfaces, but use a sponge instead of a Scotch-Brite® pad. If the area is dull in contrast with the surrounding surface, use a white polishing compound with a sponge to get a higher gloss.

- **Disinfecting Surfaces and Sinks:**

Occasionally wipe sinks and bowls with diluted household bleach (1/1 water/bleach solutions) to disinfect.

- **Removing Cuts and Scratches:**

- Matte Finishes: Sand with 180-grit (120 micron) or 220-grit (60 micron) fine sandpaper until the cut and scratch is removed; restore finish with an abrasive cleanser and a maroon Scotch-Brite® pad to the same finish as the adjacent surface.
- Semi-Gloss Finishes: Sand with 400-grit (30 micron) sandpaper; restore finish with a nonabrasive cleanser and a white Scotch-Brite® pad.
- High-Gloss Finishes: Sand with 400-grit (30 micron) or 600-grit (20 micron) sandpaper; buff with polishing pad at a low speed (1500 – 2000 rpm) polisher equipped with a wood pad; finish with 3M Finesse-it. All of the above sanding and polishing should be done in a circular motion.

- **Preventing Damage:**

In most cases, Array Solid Surface can be easily repaired. However, follow these guidelines to prevent permanent damage:

- **Heat damage:** Even though Array Solid Surface provide a good heat resistant property compared with other ordinary countertops, placing hot pans, as well as some heat-generating appliances such as frying pans or crock pots can damage Array Solid Surface. Always use a hot pad or a trivet with rubber feet to protect Array Solid Surface. Avoid long-term exposure of Array Solid Surface to temperatures over 170F.
- **Other damage:** Avoid exposing Array Solid Surface to strong chemicals such as paint removers and oven cleaners. Surfaces exposed to these chemicals should be promptly flushed with water. Contact over a long period of time will cause spots and require extensive sanding.
- **Do not cut directly on Array Solid Surface. Use a cutting board.**
- **Run cold water when pouring boiling water into sinks.**
- **Remove nail polish with a non-acetone based nail polish remover and flush with water.**

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