

## **INFORMATIONSHEET**

## Recommended care of a XX-TABLE

The beauty of our high quality furniture can be maintained with the right care. Solid wood is a natural product, it varies in color and grain, it bends, expands and contracts. The selection of the timber and construction of Carrerouge furniture takes these facts in account. Enhancing the natural beauty of the material, our furniture is made out of broad boards with natural edges maintaining their particular natural coloring and features with cracks and knotholes. The table top will not stay flat, it will bend and change form. For this reason the trestle provides regulation-screws. The table-top has also an open middle gap the can vary slightly.

Please note that solid wood may be subject to color change under the influence of bright light or UV rays such as sunlight. Generally lighter wood tend to become darker with age. This is a natural process and not a defect of the material.

For the finishing of the furniture, Carrerouge uses only an ecological mineral oil. Wood furniture is almost indestructible with the proper care. Each new piece of furniture should be treated with oil in the line with a time proven carpenter's rule: In the first week every day, in the first moth every week and the first year every month.

Oil does not only clean the wood, but it provides a layer of protection at the same time. The more you oil your furniture, the more protection you will have against stains from water and dirt. Generally speaking you should avoid having wood surfaces come in contact with water for a longer period of time.

Apply the oil with a piece of cloth by rubbing in the direction of the grain. Let the surface soak the oil for a short time and then remove the excess oil by wiping with a cloth. A fresh oiled surface will stain paper or fabric placed on the top of it. To reduce this impact let the surface dry at least over night.

After a certain time you need to oil the furniture every now and then. How often you do this is up to your preference. A certain patina has its own beauty. Carrerouge uses ecological, solvent free oil. Alternatively you may use other furniture oils. For example linseed oil, as long it contains no solvents. please be aware that the use of different oils may cause changes in the coloring of the wood. Please be aware that oil from some suppliers may release gases which could ignite when they evaporate and mix with oxygen. If you use such oil, the cloth must be stored in a vacuum sealed container or glass. Please refer to the caution notices.

## Treatment of stains

For best results to remove stains or do minor repairs take the following steps: 1. try to remove food or water stains with an oiled cloth or paper towel with very little oil. 2. if this is not successful apply a small amount of oil directly on the surface and rub gently in the direction of the grain. 3. For deeper stains caused by red vine or ink you should use a fine sandpaper or the gritty side of a sponge always sanding in the direction of the grain of wood until stains are removed. Then use a cloth with some oil and apply evenly on the whole surface. The treated surface may become a little bit brighter but after some time the color change will disappear.

