

# A Guide to Protecting Your Investment

## Care & Maintenance for CP Teak from Goodluck Timbers

You have chosen one of India's most trusted and versatile hardwoods. **CP Teak** is renowned for its excellent balance of quality, durability, and value, making it a sound investment for any high-quality project. With the right care, this investment will retain its signature beauty and strength for generations to come.

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### The Gentle Approach: Basic Cleaning

For routine cleaning or preparing the wood for a finish, this is the only method you will ever need.

- **Rinse the wood** with fresh water to remove any loose surface dirt.
- **Mix a solution** of mild soap (like dish soap) and water. Avoid harsh chemicals.
- **Use a soft-bristle brush** to gently scrub the wood, always moving *with* the grain. This lifts dirt without damaging the wood fibers.
- **Rinse thoroughly** to remove all soap residue.
- **Let it air dry completely.**

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### The Two Paths to Beauty: Your Choice

Like all high-quality teak, your **CP Teak** offers a choice in its long-term appearance. Do you prefer to maintain its warm, golden hue, or embrace the distinguished, silvery patina of aged timber?

#### Path A: Preserving the Golden-Brown Hue

To maintain the classic, warm color of your **CP Teak**, you need to protect it from the sun's UV rays.

- **We Recommend a Sealer, Not an Oil:** A modern, high-quality teak *sealer* provides superior, long-lasting UV protection compared to traditional oils.
- **Application:** Ensure the wood is perfectly clean and dry. Apply a thin, even coat of the sealer with a cloth or brush, following the product's specific instructions. This will lock in the wood's natural color.

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#### Path B: Embracing the Silver Patina

Over time, when left to the elements, teak will naturally transform from golden-brown to a sophisticated, low-maintenance silver-grey. This is a beautiful, natural state that showcases the wood's resilience.

- **The Process is Simple: Do Nothing.** Just let nature take its course.
- **Maintenance:** Your only task is to perform the "Basic Cleaning" once or twice a year to remove any surface dirt, keeping the silver look clean and elegant.

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### **The #1 Mistake to Avoid: Pressure Washers**

**Never use a pressure washer on your CP Teak.**

The high-pressure stream is far too aggressive. It will erode the softer wood fibers between the hard grains, creating a rough, splintered surface. This permanent damage ruins the smooth finish and integrity of the wood.

Always trust the gentle, proven approach.

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From all of us at **Goodluck Timbers**, we are confident you will enjoy the lasting quality of your **CP Teak** for many years. For any further questions, you know who to call.