

BRIGGS VENEERS

HANDLING & CARE

INNATO™ natural-grain Pre-finished Real Wood Veneer Laminates

Storage and handling

When handling, care should be taken to avoid scratches and cracking of the surface and it is advisable for two people to carry full-sized sheets. Un-laminated *Innato™* cannot withstand shock or impact, especially when rolled. Fabricators are cautioned to exercise care in handling *Innato* because the cell structure of the wood can make it brittle. However, after the sheets are bonded to a substrate, they can be handled like ordinary melamine high-pressure laminates.

Innato™ should not be stored exposed to bright light, excessive heat or dryness, high-humidity, chemicals, water and other liquids. It should be stored indoors, horizontal, preferably face-to-face/back-to-back, flat and evenly supported (maximum distance between bearers of 600mm) in a dry place out of sunlight and wind. Bearers should be lined up and it should not be stored in contact with the floor or exterior walls. The top sheet of laminate or laminate on substrate should be turned face down and a cover sheet placed on top.

The surface of *Innato™* should be kept free of water, dirt, sand, adhesives and oil. It is especially important that chips of wood or other material do not get between sheets of laminate when it is in a pack, as this will permanently indent the surface.

Transport

When transporting *Innato™*, care must be taken to keep it dry, protected from air/wind and clean from road dirt and dust. The bearers of crates on trucks should be lined up, as best possible. *Innato™* can be rolled to a 200 mm radius across the grain and transported or stored in a sturdy cardboard cylinder for short periods of time, but not for any period beyond a week or so. Care must be taken when unrolling laminate because it is under pressure, and may spring open and injure someone, or may split.

Care

Innato™ should be cleaned with a damp cloth or mild detergent only, or with alcohol (if dried off immediately). Do not use abrasive pads such as steel wool, plastic scourers or sand-paper. **Abrasive cleaners (such as Ajax powder or cream and Jif paste), chemical cleaners, solvents, bleach, acid or alkali cleaning fluids should never be used** and if such products are spilt on the surface, they should be cleaned off immediately.

Wipe up all water and other spills off the surface. It is especially important to immediately wipe off spills or marks of coloured materials, such as lipstick, dark juices, red wine etc. Do not slide hard materials such as crockery across *Innato™* nor drop objects onto it, nor use sharp blades or knives to cut directly onto *Innato™*. Do not place hot dishes from the oven or stove on *Innato™* surfaces, this can cause discolouration and/or delamination.

Shallow scratches may be disguised using a fine crayon or felt tipped pen of the same colour as the timber, with a light application of non-silicon furniture polish on top. Deep scratches cannot be easily repaired. *Innato™ Etched Raw Oak* is the only raw unfinished laminate in the range. If used unfinished it will readily mark, stain and hold dirt. It should be finished with a clear coating such as a polyurethane or wax.

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