

# Butcher Block Care

## PROTECTIVE SEALER

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*Note: These instructions are only for wood products sealed with our protective clear coat, or that have yet to be finished.*

### **Is protective sealer the right option for you?**

Yes, if you are looking for...

- Minimal maintenance
- Protection against liquid and heat damage
- A finish that highlights the natural tone and grain of the wood
- Soft, matte texture and finish

Maybe not, if you...

- Plan on chopping directly on your butcher block. Knife cuts scrape away the sealer, so you may want to consider an oil finish that would need to be applied on a regular basis. (See "Butcher Block Care - Oil Finish")

### **Initial application**

Unless your butcher block or table top came sealed by Knotty's Woodwork, you'll have to seal it yourself to protect it from liquid damage and warping.

1. Cleanse the block with a lint free cloth, warm water, and a small amount of gentle dish soap.
2. Pour a generous amount of the sealer across the surface of the block, drizzling a thick coat like a river down the middle
3. Use a plastic applicator (or old gift card) to spread the liquid evenly over the entire surface. A foam brush makes a great tool for coating the sides.
4. Allow the sealer to cure for a full 72 hours before making use of your countertop.



## Maintenance

Because wood is a natural material, it will likely get scratched or dented with frequent use. Thankfully, this is easy to fix due to the porous properties of the wood. When you spot surface damage or minor blemishes on your countertop, follow these simple repair instructions.

1. By hand, use fine sandpaper to buff out the surface damage.
2. Clean with a warm, soapy cloth. Air dry before moving to the next step.
3. Pour a small amount of the sealer on the sanded area. Use a plastic applicator or used gift card to spread the sealer.
4. Let it stand for 5 minutes.
5. Wipe off the excess with a dry cloth.
6. The sealer will take approximately 72 hours to completely set.

## Products we use and love!

Ligna Bio Supra

<https://evofinition.ca/en/product/bio-supra-solvent-free-oil-zero-voc-ligna/>

Rubio Monocoat Oil Plus 2C

<https://www.rubiomonocoat.com/en/p/products/interior/3-protection/colours-and-protects-in-1-single-layer/15-rmc-oil-2c?country=aa>

