



**GLOBAL TIMBER.**

## **Maintenance - Decking & Cladding**

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### **Oiling**

Oil preserves the glow of the wood and protects the surface. Oiling minimizes drying scratches and cracks as well as deformation of the wood. The life of the wood is extended when the wood is protected. We recommend oiling at least once a year. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

### **Patination**

If you want to achieve a uniform silver-grey colour, you should leave the wood untreated. The wood fibers will rise and the surface will feel rougher. Deformation of the wood, tears, drying scratches and cracks will occur.

### **Color**

The wood will initially vary in colour, and discolourations, shields, power marks etc. will occur. It is balanced over time by the influence of the sun and the course of the seasons.

### **Algae**

Algae can occur and must be removed at least twice a year (e.g. spring and autumn) to protect the wood against breakdown. Use algae remover/wood cleaner and follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

### **Dust**

Ordinary dirt on the wood can be cleaned with wood cleaner. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations.

### **Black spots**

Fungal spores and other foreign substances may occur. It is not harmful to the tree. Most stains can be removed with wood cleaner and a wood brush. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations. Typically, the spots disappear over time.

### **Metal shavings**

Processing metal on or around the wood can mean that the small metal splinters/dust cause black spots and discoloration on the wood. Contact Global Timber for solution.

### **Inter/countergrowth**

Most types of wood have inter-/countergrowth (the veins rise across and do not become smooth). This can be remedied by sanding the wood.

### **Changes in dimensions**

The width will vary throughout the year, as wood absorbs and releases moisture. It is to be expected that the collusions give way after a period.

### **General**

The tree's first year of life is always the hardest, because it must be adapted to the climate and hardened through the four seasons. The wood works more, which is why drying scratches, cracks and deformation will occur. Individual replacements may occur on an ongoing basis. After the first year, the tree stabilizes and becomes calmer.

*NB: We reserve the right to make ongoing changes to the assembly instructions. Find updated version at [www.globaltimber.dk](http://www.globaltimber.dk)*

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