

FEST - maintenance and advice

How to maintain your sofa

How to prevent pitting

Our Dunbar and Clay are super chill sofas: thick, soft, poofy. Perfect for hanging out together or to put it in hipper terms: lounging. They are both constructed from a sturdy beechwood frame, NOSAG springs, HR foam (a type of cold foam that springs back to its old pattern) with a ticking (a synthetic bag) with soft silicone fibres and down on top, which allows a lot of air to enter. That top layer gives them their comfortable seat and cozy, nonchalant character, but it also makes the benches collapse slightly in the places where people sit (a lot). Pit formations are unavoidable with these sofas. But if you regularly punch and fluff the seat cushions, both front and back, you can get the sofa back in shape in no time. No need for a punching bag anymore!

With the Miller sofa, it's also wise to punch and pat the cushions every now and then. This way the sofa becomes tighter and neater again and you prevent pitting.

Tip for Clay: lay it on its back, then slap the front of the seat. This way, the fibres and springs will return to the right place more easily.

Only in very exceptional cases of serious complaints: refilling the sofas is possible via our POS service department. For questions about this, please contact service@festamsterdam.nl

How to maintain velour fabrics

Velour is a collective name for all fabrics of which fibres (both artificial and natural) are woven into the base fabric. This production method ensures a high load-bearing capacity of the fabric. A velour is therefore ideal for furniture that is used often.

Pressure and body heat can cause a seat mirror on a velour fabric. The hairs of the fibres are flattened, creating a kind of shiny shadow.

Another characteristic feature of velour is the fact that the fabric appears lighter or darker depending on the incidence of light. Because of this, it might sometimes seem as if there are colour differences in the fabric. Because the velour fabrics are generally upholstered in one direction, the light reflects in different directions. With a corner sofa, for example, it could appear as if the fabric on both elements differ in colour when in reality this is not the case.

How to keep velour fabrics pretty - weekly maintenance

We advise weekly, careful vacuuming with a furniture nozzle at a maximum suction power of 500 watts. Note: a higher suction power causes faster wear of the fabric. Coarse soiling such as crumbs should always be removed from the fabric immediately.

How to remove a (stubborn) seat mirror from my velour fabric

Usually a seat mirror disappears by rubbing your hand over the fabric, but sometimes more effort is needed. A soft clothes brush offers a solution:

- First brush the seat mirror in all directions. Always put the pile (the upright threads in the fabric) back in their original position. Sometimes it helps to moisten the fabric a little bit before brushing.
- Then brush the entire seat in the same way.

- Did the clothes brush not help enough? Then try it with a clean, unused shoe brush. Get one with soft, short bristles and always brush soft and gently. Oh and: only use a clean one for this to avoid cross-contamination.