



KHUMBULANI *craft*

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CARE OF KHUMBULANI CRAFT PRODUCTS

Many of our products may require special care as follows.

1 CERAMICS

- Never pick up a pot with one hand holding it on the lip as the pot will break. Always lift a pot using both hands and holding it firmly at the pot base.

CORRECT



INCORRECT



- Clean traditional pots with a warm, damp cloth. Re-polish with Cobra Polish in black, white or brown, matching the colour of the pot i.e. black, earthenware or white.

2 WOOD



It is important to note that wood reacts to various climatic conditions:

- Harsh sunlight tends to lighten or discolour the natural tone of the wood as well as drying it which may cause the wood to crack.
- Damp and inadequate ventilation may result in the growth of mould or mildew on the

- wood.
- Thin wood items are fragile and if roughly handled will break.
- Air- conditioning can affect wood

Wooden spoons and salad servers can be used for domestic purposes. The wood can be oiled prior to use with olive oil or sunflower seed oil which will assist in maintaining the condition of the wood. Wooden utensils should be **washed by hand** and not in a dishwasher, where the wooden items are exposed to very high temperatures. Periodic oiling of utensils is advised.

Great care is taken when working with wood which is dried naturally. However, large wooden items do tend to crack with time, and one must accept that this is the nature and natural beauty of the wood.

Khumbulani Craft cannot be held liable for cracking or mould.



Natural cracking in a wooden stool

3 BEADED DOLLS

Beaded dolls can be wiped with a damp cloth.

4 WOVEN GRASS

Woven grass products such as placemats can be wiped with a damp cloth and then immediately dried. Please note that water can cause mould or mildew on any grass products.

5 WOVEN ILALA

Woven Ilala products such as wall medallions and woven stools must **only** be wiped with a dry cloth. Under no circumstance must water be used on the woven ilala items. As they are made from natural grass, water will stain them and, if left damp, mould or mildew will occur. On woven ilala products water stains show up as light tan or light pink mark which cannot be removed.

6 HAND MADE RECYCLED GLASS BEADS

Handmade recycled glass beads will break if dropped.

7 TRADITIONAL and CONTEMPORARY BEADED DANCING STICK



If treated roughly or knocked, the beads on the knob will break as they are made from glass.

8 PAINTED ITEMS

Painted items such as the painted woven ilala stools and wood stools and will chip if roughly treated or continuously bumped.



Painted stool with natural cracking of the wood.

9 BEADED runners and mounts

Beaded runners and mounts can be gently wiped with a dry cloth or carefully vacuumed.



10 ISICHOLO

Decorative Isicholo (Zulu hats) can be gently dusted with a dry cloth or carefully vacuumed.

11 WOVEN POPLAR

Woven poplar items can be gently dusted with a dry cloth

Great care is taken at Khumbulani Craft when checking and packing your order. Strict quality control occurs and two staff members check the counting of products prior to packing.

However, it is imperative that you kindly action the following:

- ***Please inform your appointed transport company that the packed boxes with your order should be kept dry at all times and never stored in a wet or damp environment.***
- ***Please ensure that your order is unpacked immediately upon receipt as the wood items and woven ilala products need to be aired.***