

Rubio WoodCream Softener

Accompanies Rubio WoodCream for colour effects and maintenance solutions

Rubio WoodCream Softener is a ready-to-use product that allows you to decrease the colour intensity of the Rubio WoodCream colours and create a more transparent or aged effect. Rubio WoodCream Softener is the ideal maintenance product for maintaining surfaces treated with Rubio WoodCream.



ATTENTION

Rubio WoodCream Softener must always be used in combination with Rubio WoodCream. Do not use Rubio WoodCream Softener on a standalone basis.

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Adding Rubio WoodCream Softener reduces the UV resistance of the product. This can cause premature discolouration. This discolouration effect depends on the amount of Rubio WoodCream Softener added.

PRODUCT INFORMATION

> Specific characteristics

- 0% VOC
- Reduces the tinting strength without changing the viscosity
- Elongation of the drying time
 - Easier to work with in hot conditions (reduce risk of overlaps)
- · Easier spreadability on rough and absorbent substrates
- Reduces the layer build up when Rubio WoodCream is used in 2 layers
- Rubio WoodCream becomes an ideal maintenance product when adding Rubio WoodCream Softener

> Technical characteristics

- Colour: opaque
- Odour: light ammoniac
- Physical state: liquid
- Density: 927 g/L
- pH: 9,35
- Solubility: soluble in water

> Storage

The product can be stored up to 24 months. Store in dry conditions and in the original packaging. Keep away from frost.

› Packaging

- Plastic bottle: 100 ml, 1L
- Jerrycan: 5L





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› Colours

Colours shown are on pine.

The colours shown are for reference only and are not binding.





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APPLICATION INFORMATION

> On site application

› Preparation

- Ambient temperature: 10°C 30°C
- Substrate temperature: 10°C 30°C
- Application temperature: 10°C 30°C

> Instructions for use

Manual application

A. Creating an aged/transparent effect on new wood

- STEP 1. Prepare the surface in order to achieve the desired result (planed, sanded wire brushed...).
- **STEP 2.** Remove sanding dust from the surface and wipe dry.
- **STEP 3.** Stir Rubio WoodCream well and and **dilute it with Rubio WoodCream Softener** in order to create a more transparent effect (proportion: max. 1:1).
- **STEP 3A.** In order to create an aged effect:
- **STEP 3B.** This effect can only be achieved with a colour from the Rubio WoodCream Grey Collection. Stir Rubio WoodCream well and dilute it with Rubio WoodCream Softener (proportion: max. 1:1).
- **STEP 4.** Apply carefully and evenly to the vertical surface with a block brush suitable for water-beading products, in the direction of the wood. Work in zones of 3 to 4 boards in the direction of the wood fibre. It's best to work wet in wet. Spread out the product in one go with the application brush.

B. In case of renovation/refreshing Rubio WoodCream

- **STEP 1.** Clean the surface by using water at low pressure and a soft brush; there is no need for sanding.
- **STEP 2.** Stir Rubio WoodCream well and dilute it with Rubio WoodCream Softener in a ratio from 9 parts Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener. You can adjust this ratio to max. 1 part Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener to achieve the desired result.
- **STEP 3.** Apply carefully and evenly to the vertical surface with a block brush suitable for water-beading products, in the direction of the wood. Work in zones of 3 to 4 boards in the direction of the wood fibre. It's best to work wet in wet. Spread out the product in one go with the application brush.

C. Maintenance instructions

In general we recommend a yearly visual check-up just after winter season.

Please check for the presence of the following three points:

- a. Dirt & green deposits; clean with low pressure water and soft brush
- b. Fading out of colours
- c. Diminishing pearl effect

If necessary (concerning point b./c.), apply a maintenance coat according to the instructions. The frequency of maintenance depends on the weather conditions:

- In normal weather conditions: every 5 years
- In extreme weather conditions: every 3 years
- · In ideal circumstances, this can take significantly longer: up to 10 years

Normal climates: when the colour fades, apply a maintenance coat of Rubio WoodCream with Rubio WoodCream Softener in a ratio from 9 parts Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener to max. 1 part Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener to achieve the desired result. Consult the technical data sheet for more information.

Frequency according to exposure, geographical situation, solar orientation of the treated wood, wood type, and desired shade. Waterfront, seaside, pilling, wetland, and marshland ... sometimes requiring a more frequent maintenance.

- **STEP 1.** The wood must be cleaned with a mixture of 10% Rubio Monocoat Exterior Wood Cleaner and water. After the use of Rubio Monocoat Exterior Wood Cleaner, clean the surface by using water at low pressure and a soft brush; there is no need for sanding. Consult the accompanying technical data sheet before use.
- **STEP 2.** Stir Rubio WoodCream well and dilute it with Rubio WoodCream Softener in a ratio from 9 parts Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener to max. 1 part Rubio WoodCream and 1 part Rubio WoodCream Softener in order to achieve the desired result.
- **STEP 3.** Apply it carefully and evenly, to the vertical surface with a block brush suitable for water-beading products, in the direction of the wood. Work in zones of 3 to 4 boards in the direction of the wood fibre. It's best to work wet in wet. Spread out the product in one go with the application brush.

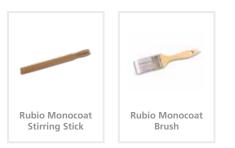


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> Tips & Tricks

- Avoid direct sunlight on the surface.
- In case of high temperatures (> 30°C) or when there is no shadow, we recommend diluting Rubio WoodCream with Rubio WoodCream Softener in order to make the product easier to apply and to allow it to dry less quickly.
- On rough and very absorbent wood surfaces, we recommend diluting Rubio WoodCream with Rubio WoodCream Softener so you can easily apply Rubio WoodCream on the surface. For a more covering effect you can apply a second layer.

> Tools & accessories



Clean the tools with water after application.

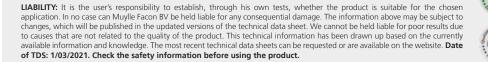
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