



# SPRUCE

## Quality Decks

'Pride taken in quality workmanship'

## CARING FOR YOUR HARDWOOD DECK

Timber decks are not hard to look after, but they do require regular maintenance to keep them weather resistant and in good condition.

Any timber exposed to the weather will absorb and release moisture as its environment changes. This causes timber to expand or contract and can result in timber defects. Proper oiling will greatly minimize this effect as oil helps stop moisture penetrating into the timber.

Leaving your raw unsealed timber deck exposed for even a few weeks can cause the timber to crack and fade. For this reason every Spruce deck has the backs of decking boards oiled prior to installation. Once construction is complete the entire deck is sanded and oiled.

We strongly recommend applying a second coat of oil a few days afterwards. We can apply the second coat too - just ask.

Regular maintenance is key to preserving your decks good looks. A deck that is exposed to the weather will require a coat of oil at least twice a year. Decks that are under cover will require a coat of oil at least once per year.

### Application

Before oiling your deck needs to be clean and dry. If your deck needs cleaning we recommend 'Deck Reviva'. Reviva is mixed with water applied with a scrubbing brush. The solution is then thoroughly hosed off. To oil your deck you will need a decking brush, or lambs wool pad. Apply the oil evenly, ensuring the oil doesn't pool, and covers the whole deck surface. We use and recommend 'Intergrain Natures Timber Oil' for all decks, handrails and other exposed timber. Intergrain oil is available directly from Spruce, or Bunnings warehouse. Spruce is able to re-oil your deck. Give us a call if you would like a quote.



### Intergrain Natures Timber Oil

Intergrain oil has a natural, transparent protective finish. It is made from 95% naturally derived ingredients from sustainable sources. It penetrates deeply into timber to provide good protection from the weather. The Tung oil and pure turpentine provide natural resistance to the destructive effects of UV and water. It does not peel crack or flake.



### Reviva

For best results we recommend cleaning your deck with Reviva and a scrubbing brush before re-oiling. Reviva is a natural acid based timber cleaner. It counteracts stains and tannins on exposed timber. It must be thoroughly washed off with a hose once cleaning is complete. The deck is then left to dry before oil is applied.

