

FABRIC CARE AND MAINTENANCE

All GIATI acrylic fabrics inherently resist stains and are easy to maintain. They repel both oil-based and water-based liquids. However, they still should be cleaned regularly before any substance becomes embedded in the fabric.

CLEANING

A solution of warm water and a mild soap applied with a soft brush by hand will easily clean dirt from these dimensionally stable fabrics. Simple Green can also be used on tough spots, such as bird residue. Bleach is not recommended as it can damage the fabric and reduce water repellence. Damage caused directly from using bleach will void our guarantee, as will washing in a machine or in very hot water. All acrylic fabrics are heat sensitive and can be damaged by ironing or washing in very hot water. Therefore Giati recommends washing only by hand, using cold or lukewarm water.

MILDEW

Mildew will grow on anything including wood, metal and plastics. No fabric can be mildew proof, but mildew is easily removed if attended to immediately. Acrylic textiles have been used widely in hospitality and residential installations in the Philippines, Hawaii and Florida where mildew is a common nuisance. If mildew is allowed to take over cushions, bleach must be used to eliminate it. If this is the case, use a bleach solution sparingly: no more than a 1/2 cup (4 oz.) of bleach and a 1/4 cup (2 oz.) of mild soap per 1/2 gallon of water. The fabric should be scrubbed with this solution for no more than 15 minutes and rinsed thoroughly with cold water. If bleach is used, we recommend that you follow up by re-applying the protective finish to your fabric. Please refer to www.303-products.com and select the product called "303 High Tech Fabric Guard". Instructions for application can be found on the bottle.