

# Care & Maintenance

## Caring for your new CenterPointe Countertops

The following care and maintenance instructions will help extend the life and performance of your CenterPointe butcher block countertop.

#### PRIOR TO INSTALLATION:

Keep product in its packaging and away from humidity or direct heat until you are ready to install it.

The wood may bow slightly upward at the edges if it is stored for a long period of time. To return the surface to its original condition, turn it over and lay it on its face until it's reformed to its original shape.

Check the color and finish of your surface before installation. You cannot return or exchange the product once it has been altered or installed.

Keep in mind that wood is a natural material, so each surface can vary slightly in color, tone, and characteristics. This adds to its beauty.

Lightly sand all surfaces of your CenterPointe countertop with 120 grit sandpaper, in the direction of the wood grain, prior to applying finish.

Apply a finish, to all surfaces of your countertop within 72 hours of opening the package to prevent moisture damage. Typical finish options include oil, wax, sealant, stain, urethanes, and acrylic.

\*Warranty is void if the surface is not sanded and sealed or finished.

WARNING: This product can expose you to chemicals including respirable wood dust which is known in the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to: www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/wood

### **DURING INSTALLATION:**

Re-apply finish, according to the manufacturer's instructions, to any areas that have been cut during the installation process.

Always use protective equipment when cutting and installing the wood countertops.

#### FOR DAILY USE:

Clean the countertop in accordance with the finish manufacturer's instructions.

Do not use harsh or abrasive cleansers or chemicals to clean the countertop.

Do not place hot items directly on the surface.

Avoid cutting directly on the wood, as this could damage the surface.



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