



## **Hand Painted Wooden Furniture Care**

### **Protect Your Investment:**

This fine piece of furniture is a one of a kind masterpiece. This is a product of the Orient and is hand painted with traditional decorations using stylized artistic themes. Each artist has their own technique and interpretation so no two pieces are exactly the same. Variations only add to the value of each piece of furniture. The beauty of furniture care is that it helps to protect your investment. Fine furniture is an important purchase. Proper care will help maintain your furniture's finish and ensure that it looks great year after year.

### **Caring For Furniture:**

Caring for furniture is easy. Following a few simple guidelines will help extend the life of your furniture.

- Always dust with a polish moistened cloth. Polish with moistened cloth, eliminating the scratching that occurs with dry dusting. Dust will scratch the furniture surface if not removed properly.
- Use a soft, clean cloth that won't scratch the surface. Avoid Coarse or scratchy materials or fabrics.
- To clean stains or food spills, use a soft cloth moistened with a mixed solution of a teaspoon of powdered laundry detergent and a quart of warm water. Dry completely after cleaning.

### **The Enemies of Furniture:**

Many common problems in furniture care are caused by the elements. If you are aware of these trouble makers, the resulting damage can easily be avoided.

- Sunlight's ultraviolet rays can damage wood finishes. Arrange furniture out of direct sunlight; use sun screening drapes during intense sunlight hours; rotate furniture in place and in room arrangements.
- Liquid spills will damage furniture if not removed promptly. Use coasters under beverage glasses saucers under cups and flower pots. If a spill occurs, immediately blot it gently without rubbing the surface.
- Heat creates a chemical change in the furniture finish which can result in a white spot. Use protective pads under hot dishes, utensils or cooking appliances.
- Cyclic changes in temperature can damage furniture. Hot blasts of air, such as those found from a central heating, should be avoided because they cause extreme localized drying of the wood.

### **Tips for Better Dusting:**

- Be sure to use the same type polish consistently. Your furniture will appear cloudy or streaky if oil-based and wax-based polishes are interchanged.
- Always use a fine furniture polish when dusting. Never dry dust, as it could cause microscopic scratches on your furniture surface. Remember to change dusting clothes frequently since a dirty cloth may scratch your furniture's surface.