

Care Symbols

Understanding what they mean

WASH



Machine Wash



Machine Wash Cold



Machine Wash Warm



Gentle Machine Wash Cold



Hand Wash



Do Not Wash

BLEACH



Bleach When Needed



Do Not Bleach

DRY



Tumble Dry



Do Not Tumble Dry



Line Dry



Drip Dry



Dry Flat



Do Not Wring

IRON



Iron Low Heat



Iron Medium Heat



Iron High Heat



Do Not Iron

DRYCLEAN



Dry Clean



Dry Clean Any Solvent



Do Not Dry Clean

GARMENT CARE GUIDE

General Care

How to treat your clothing

ALWAYS READ AND FOLLOW GARMENT CARE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.

Wash

Empty pockets, unfasten buttons, and lift the collar before washing. Do not overload the washing machine. Do not wash at a very high temperature.

Hand Wash

Generally we recommend the use of lukewarm water. Allow soap or detergent to totally dissolve before adding the garment. Do not rub - gently squeeze only, and rinse thoroughly with clean water.

Drying

Fold heavy garments to minimise losing their shape. Some garments tend to lose their shape in the wash – if this happens, reshape and lay flat to dry.

Prevent long exposure of your garments to direct sunlight or heaving winds, especially if they are coloured. Wash and dry inside out to avoid colour fading.

Drying indoors, has many benefits, just ensure the area is well ventilated.

Ironing

Follow ironing instructions on the care label. See symbol clarification for more information.

Check the capability of your iron as some older irons do not have good temperature regulation.

Fabric Care

How to care for specific fabrics

Wool

Will shrink if washed at a high temperature and can lose shape if hung to dry.

⊕ Good thermal material that breathes. Can have some natural moisture-absorbing properties.

Performs well when mixed with polyester to form a strong, durable and comfortable fabric. Responds well to steam.

⊖ Fabric may pill once during the garment's life, but will return to normal function

Cotton

May have minimal shrinkage if washed in hot water.

⊕ Fresh and comfortable material that breathes well. Responds well to warm/hot iron.

⊖ Has some natural crease, and subject to fade if left in direct sunlight for too long.

Polyester

Adds stability when mixed with other fibres.

⊕ Usually a crease resistant fibre which is resistant to fading.

⊖ Polyester fibre on its own can be sensitive to heat. Must be washed in cool water and ironed at low temperature – please check your iron setting as a hot iron on polyester fabric will cause it to shine and, in a worst case, scorch the fabric.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Exposing garments to high temperatures is not recommended.

Tumble-drying and extended exposure to direct sunlight can alter the performance of some fibres in fabrics

Never experiment with tough stains - take stained garments for professional cleaning.

Use a natural detergent for delicate fabrics.

Dissolve detergents thoroughly and distribute evenly for best wash results.

Drying coloured items in direct sunlight is not recommended.

Constructed tailored garments should always only be dry cleaned.