# Bamboo Collection Cleaning \& Care 



Although bamboo is not technically a wood product, the care and cleaning closely resembles that of a wood product. Cal-Mil's Bamboo Collection, in particular, is very strong for a couple reasons. First, Cal-Mil only uses three-ply bamboo. This increases the strength and integrity of the product. Second, each bamboo product is coated with a catalyzed varnish (a transparent resin solution) to prevent splitting and breakage. Even with these steps that Cal-Mil takes to ensure a durable product, proper care \& cleaning must take place.

By following these simple instructions, it's very possible to keep your Cal-Mil Bamboo looking nice for a very long time!

## Cal-Mil strongly recommends that you DO NOT wash bamboo in the dishwasher!

If your bamboo product is not coming in direct contact with food, we recommend wiping down with a damp cloth for general cleaning. A food grade mineral oil, or bamboo oil, can be used (if necessary) to restore shine

For Cal-Mil Bamboo Products coming in direct contact with food, please follow the steps below:

## Items needed:

- Dish soap (a pH balanced dish soap is recommended for bamboo, but not absolutely necessary) Cal-Mil recommends Seventh Generation Dish Liquid. If a pH balanced formula cannot be found, a gentle detergent like Dawn or Joy will work.
- Drying cloths
- Food grade mineral oil (optional)

Step 1: Using your chosen dish soap, gently wash bamboo with warm water. You can use a cleaning cloth to remove any food debris stuck on the bamboo.

Step 2: Gently rinse bamboo so that it is free of dish soap. Pat dry and let the product air dry to complete the drying process.
Step 3: This step is optional. After many uses, your bamboo product can begin to look dry. To rehydrate, simply apply a food grade mineral oil, or bamboo conditioning oil, to the product.

