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## HOW TO CARE FOR YOUR CHAINSAW SCULPTURE

Original chainsaw sculptures are made to look rustic. To achieve this look, minimal finishing products have been applied. Your sculpture is ready for display inside your home, office or some other interior area as finished. Should you decide to display your new art in an outdoor area, more finishing is required.

### OUTDOOR DISPLAY:

As in nature, your wood sculpture will change in appearance or rot if not protected. Direct sunlight will crack your sculpture. For very rustic pieces, cracks may be desirable, and no additional finishing will be required. However, if you want your piece to continue to look the same, additional finishing will be required for outdoor display or for displaying in direct sunlight. To preserve the wood and protect from harmful ultraviolet rays, 3 – 5 coats of spar urethane or varnish is needed. Use indoor/outdoor products. Be sure to also seal the underside of your new art piece. It is also important that your sculpture is raised off the ground to provide air flow and kept dry to protect from insects and decay. This can be accomplished by inserting furniture glides, bricks, etc. into or underneath the base of your wood sculpture.

### CRACKS:

- All wood sculptures will crack some
- To keep cracks to a minimum, keep the piece out of direct sunlight
- Repairing cracks can be accomplished using silicon, which can be painted after dried
- Rarely, cracked pieces may fall off a wood sculpture. Use wood glue to re-apply, clamping until dry

### FOR A BRIGHTER FINISH (INSIDE DISPLAY):

- Apply three coats of polyurethane, allowing to dry between coats
- Paint, using oil-base products
- Finish with a final coat of polyurethane

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