

What are the properties of stainless steel?

We use two grades of stainless steel; 316 Grade, commonly known as 'marine grade' and 304 Grade, more commonly used for garden furniture. Both 316 and 304 are hardwearing and suitable for use in inland locations whilst 316 is ideal for use in coastal areas and marine environments, where oxidation could be a problem. Please note: In coastal areas where extreme humidity is present, our 316 grade stainless steel products and hardware may require more frequent cleaning and maintenance. You should note that all outdoor furniture, including stainless steel, requires some maintenance. No stainless steel products should be purchased for use in an indoor chlorine environment. Please enquire for further details. If you have any questions or concerns about the grade that is best for your area, then please contact your supplier or our customer service department.

How do I clean stainless steel?

Whilst 316 grade is highly resistant to corrosion it might still require some maintenance to preserve its finish, dependant on the environment. To maintain the finish of both 316 and 304 grades, we recommend you use "**Barlow Tyrie Stainless Steel Clean and Guard**", which cleans the stainless steel and leaves a fine layer of Teflon on the surface to help prevent the build up of contaminants