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#### **Care and Maintenance**

Glass mosaic is durable and stain resistant, but care should be taken to prolong the beauty of the mosaic. To maximize the life of your mosaic and retain its artistic integrity, please consider the following:

Use only a mild, pH-neutral detergent cleaner and damp sponge or rag to clean your mosaic. Do not use acid, alkaline, and solvent-based cleaners. They can damage and/or discolor the tiles and the grout.

Do not wax any part of your mosaic.

Do not let stains sit on your mosaic's surface for extended periods. Clean promptly.

Always test cleaner in a small inconspicuous area prior to use throughout the installation to determine suitability and use of care and maintenance products.

## Easy Cleaning

When cleaning glass tile, use non-abrasive cleaning products in order to avoid scratching your beautiful backsplash or bathtub mosaic tile. One of the easiest ways to clean glass tiles to a sparkling shine is with equal parts water and vinegar in a spray bottle. Spray the mixture on and leave it for approximately 10 minutes. To get rid of soap scum or stains caused by hard water, rub tiles with a soft cloth or brush, rinse with cold water, then wipe dry.

#### Washing Backsplashes

Cleaning your kitchen backsplash tile is similar to washing the glass mosaic tiles in your bathroom. You won't have to reach far for a cleaning solution—simply add a ½ teaspoon of dish detergent to a spray bottle or bowl filled with warm water. Spray your backsplash or dip a damp sponge or cloth in the mixture to clean the tiles. Wet a clean cloth with cold water, wipe down, and dry.

### **Tackling Grout**

For regular upkeep, spray grout with a half-and-half mixture of white vinegar and warm water, let it sit for approximately five minutes, scrub with a soft toothbrush, and finally, rinse with water and dry. For added cleaning power or for tough stains, add a baking soda and water paste to the grout before spraying with the vinegar and water solution. And if you see mold growing on your grout, tackle the issue with stronger cleaners like a regular grout cleaner, or spray the grout with a mixture of ¼ cup bleach with ¾ cup water. Be sure to finish off the job by scrubbing with a soft-bristled brush, rinsing, and wiping your tile and grout dry.