

# Sutherland Welles Ltd.®

*Sustainable, natural & earth-friendly Polymerized Tung Oil wood finishes.*



## Murdoch's Maintenance

### Weekly Floor Care

- **Vacuum:** To minimize scratching vacuum regularly to keep the floor grit free.
- **Dust Mop:** Use an oil-prepped all cotton (not synthetic) dust mop. To prep a new mop, use Sutherland Welles Ltd.® Dust and Tacking Oil according to the directions on the label. The new "Swiffer" type of wood floor dusters are fine but avoid using the "wet" version as they will dull the finish.

### Floor Care

- **Do:** Wash the floor using a cup of white vinegar to a gallon of warm water. Use a sponge that has been moistened in the vinegar water. Buff the floor dry with a clean soft cloth.
- **Do:** Replace the vinegar with ammonia for stubborn dirt.
- **Do:** Spray WD-40® on a soft, dry cloth to rub off black shoe marks.
- **Don't:** Under no circumstances should any cleaner with a soap base such as Murphy's Oil Soap be used. These cleaners leave a film that will gum the surface of the oil.
- **Don't:** Flood the floor with water when washing.
- **Don't:** Use steam cleaners.
- **Don't:** Wax a Murdoch's floor. Waxing interferes with adhesion of maintenance coats and can be slippery.

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### Re-Surfacing the Floor

- **When to re-surface:** A Murdoch's floor needs to be re-surfaced every 5-8 years depending on traffic patterns and use.
- **Prep:** Wash the floor with TSP (Trisodium Phosphate) available in hardware stores. Follow directions on package.
- **Sand:** Lightly sand with **400-600 grit** sandpaper if there are scratches you want to minimize or eliminate.

### Re-Surfacing Murdoch's Instructions

#### step 1:

- Apply Murdoch's Uralkyd Matte, Satin or Gloss
- Let cure 24 hours