



VistaClad™

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Introduction

Eva-Last is proud to offer exceptionally low-maintenance alternatives to wood which last for years without the need for costly or time-consuming treatments, stains, or sealants. VistaClad is designed to be gentle on the Earth and give you a hassle-free cladding option for your home or commercial space. This cleaning and care guide provides all the information you need to preserve the structural integrity and natural-looking beauty of your VistaClad composite cladding, available in Apex capped bamboo-PVC composite and Infinity capped bamboo composite technologies. Please read and follow these instructions completely for warranty compliance purposes and to ensure that you enjoy your VistaClad cladding or outdoor space to the fullest.

Cleaning your cladding

VistaClad cladding is naturally anti-microbial, stain and scratch resistant. Maintain the cleanliness of your cladding by scrubbing or pressure washing when needed. For optimal board longevity, Eva-Last recommends cleaning your cladding when you notice stubborn marks from birds or weather. VistaClad will weather to a natural matte finish over time and the steps in this cleaning and care guide will help to preserve its aesthetics and longevity.

The following basic and deep cleaning procedures are suitable for addressing mould and mildew, oil and grease stains, rust stains, tape marks, and most other forms of messes and stains. All of these are considered to be normal maintenance and are, therefore, not covered by the VistaClad limited warranty.

What you will need

In order to properly clean your VistaClad cladding you will need only standard household cleaning supplies, including:



A high-pressure hose with fan tip



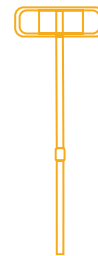
Water



Dishwashing Liquid



Bucket



Sponge on telescopic arm



Hard-bristled broom with telescopic arm or pool brush

Eva-Last also offers a specialised Eva-Last deck cleaner for tough spots or stains, which works on your cladding as well.

Please note: Do NOT use "off-the-shelf composite cleaners" on VistaClad. These may jeopardise the board surface and nullify any related warranty claims.

Basic cleaning procedure

Follow these basic steps for the general cleaning and care of your VistaClad cladding:

STEP 1:

Apply soapy water to your boards using a sponge for low-lying areas or a sponge or squeegee with a telescopic handle for high-lying areas.

STEP 2:

Use a hard-bristled broom with telescopic arm or pool brush to scrub the cladding. Clean thoroughly enough to remove all dirt and residue from the gaps between profiles. Scrub in the direction of the grain of your boards' surfaces.

STEP 3:

Rinse your cladding surface completely with water.

Deep cleaning procedure

In order to remove stubborn spots, stains, or excessive dirt or organic waste from your VistaClad cladding, carefully use a high-pressure washer which has a hose with a wide fan tip. Ensure that the pressure of this hose remains under 1500 psi and keep it at least 300 mm away from your cladding surface when spraying. Take extreme care when pressure washing your profiles. Stop immediately if any unusual change to your profiles' surfaces appears and contact Eva-Last.

For best cleaning results scrub your VistaClad cladding with a hard-bristle broom with telescopic arm, pool brush, or long-reach squeegee while pressure washing. Regular deep cleanings with both pressure washing and scrubbing will maximise the long-term performance of your VistaClad cladding.

VistaClad is designed with an innovative clip strip that clips and locks boards into place. In extreme cases, boards can be removed from the clip strip to access debris build-up behind the boards. However, this should not be done unless completely necessary to avoid damaging the integrity of the system.

General care tips

- Ensure that you refer to the VistaClad Apex Technical Data Sheet (TDS) if you have installed VistaClad Apex composite technology, or the VistaClad Infinity TDS if you have installed VistaClad Infinity composite technology, for more in-depth information and material compatibility.
- Clean up marks or messes from the cladding surface as soon as possible to prevent them from becoming stains.
- For rust removal use a hard bristle brush. Use gently so as not to harm the cladding surface.
- To remove construction marks, rub a small amount of alcohol on the affected area. Once the alcohol has removed the mark, scrub the area with soapy water to prevent any long-term damage from the alcohol.
- Most water, aqueous salt solutions, detergent solutions, dilute acids, and alkalis are also acceptable. However, any cleaning agent should first be tested on a small patch of cladding or a scrap piece of VistaClad material before use. Refer to Appendix C of the appropriate VistaClad Apex or VistaClad Infinity TDS for a chemical compatibility table. Any cleaning agent used on VistaClad which does not comply with this TDS may nullify future warranty claims.
- Consult Eva-Last for advice on removing exceptionally stubborn stains before utilising any cleaning chemicals which are not sanctioned by the TDS.

What to avoid

Protect your VistaClad boards, and ensure warranty compliance, by keeping the following away from your cladding profiles:

- "Off-the-shelf" composite cleaners.
- Strong detergents, oxidant concentrated mineral acids, aromatic and/or halogenated hydrocarbons, esters, ethers, or ketones.
- Insect sprays which contain any ingredient that may be incompatible with VistaClad as listed in the TDS.
- Oils from certain plants as outlined in Appendix C of the appropriate VistaClad TDS.
- PVC glues, cement, and paint.

Conclusion

VistaClad gives your outdoor space an upgrade and lets you use your free time for relaxation instead of bothersome maintenance. By adhering to these simple cleaning and care procedures and the terms of your VistaClad warranty you will be able to sit back and enjoy your VistaClad cladding for years to come.