



LAUNDRY - Fabric Care Instructions



Whilst most clothing has a label inside of it with a laundry symbol on, many goods onboard your yacht will have been custom made specifically, and might be missing any care guide. So here is a breakdown of how to treat a few different fabrics you may have onboard or guest clothing.



FABRIC TYPE	GENERAL CARE INFO
LEATHER	Some leather is washable in cold water using castile soap, always hang dry. Cover with heavy paper if ironing is needed. Never steam. Anything with delicate seams or bright colors should be dry cleaned. Can be spot cleaned with a leather care wipe.
SILK	Use delicate setting on washing machine or hand wash in lukewarm water. Lay flat to dry, do not wring. Can iron on a lowest setting, press inside out.
CASHMERE	Not all cashmere can be machine washed so check label. Use delicate cycle or hand wash using mild detergent. Do not wring, roll in a towel. Reshape before drying flat. Fold do not hang
WOOL	Some wool garments have to be dry cleaned, check labels carefully. If washing use a delicate detergent. Do not wring, you can roll with a towel to squeeze out excess water and lay flat to dry. If ironing is required use a low setting, inside out to avoid shine marks.
COTTON	Pretreat stains, machine wash with like colors, tumble dry and iron as necessary. Do not bleach unless fabric is white.
SYNTHETIC	Machine washable in cold/warm water, do not tumble dry hang or lay flat. Iron on low temp or steam.
VELVET	Dry clean in most instances, cotton based velvet can be hand washed in cold water. Hand dry on a padded hanger. Do not iron it will crush the fabric, use a steamer.



DENIM	Can be machine washed warm, turn garment inside out to keep color from fading. Can either be tumble dried although line drying is preferred, can be ironed on high heat.
LINEN	Dry cleaned or hand washed in lukewarm water. Machine dry on low setting or hand to dry, iron on medium setting with a pressing cloth, fabric should be inside out. Best results are if you iron before garment is 100% dry.

Helpful Tips

- Separate !! Sorting is half the battle. Towels, bedding, lights, darks, delicates, and rags all need to be presorted before washing. Cleaning, Food and Engine room rags should all be washed separately too.
- Have a system in place to log or tag guest clothes to make sure they all go back to the right owners.
- Finish touches like wrapping the guest laundry in tissue paper, or having a small basket/ box to return it in with a lavender pouch. If spare bedding is kept in the bed draws wrap each set in ribbon, for that extra touch.
- Always check pockets! Especially when doing crew laundry one misplaced red chap stick can ruin an entire load of whites.

Keep your laundry room clean, stocked and organized at all times. Be prepared, wash in small loads at right temperature. Have a system in place to make rotation in and out of laundry a breeze for all interior crew.