

The Helix

Braided Sculpture



Thank you for bringing The Helix home. A good piece lasts for years when it gets a little regular attention, and none of it takes much effort. This guide covers what I would do to keep yours looking the way it did on day one.

Marc, Founder

EVERYDAY CARE

- The braided texture holds dust, so give it a soft brush once a week.
- Keep it dry between the braids. Aluminum will not rust, but trapped water marks the finish.
- Skip furniture polish and oils. They leave a film that attracts more dust.
- Use felt pads underneath to protect your table.

CLEANING, STEP BY STEP

- 1 Run a clean, soft brush along the braids to loosen the dust. A dry paintbrush works well.
- 2 Lift the loosened dust away with a vacuum's soft brush attachment on low suction, held just above the surface.
- 3 Wipe the outer surfaces with a barely damp microfiber cloth.
- 4 Dry the whole piece thoroughly, paying attention to the gaps between the braids.

PLEASE AVOID

- Rinsing it under a tap, since water gets trapped in the braids
- Bleach, ammonia, and oven cleaner. Strong acids and alkalis both attack aluminum
- Furniture polish, wax, or oil sprays
- Abrasive pads that scratch the finish
- Setting it on a wet or damp surface

PLACEMENT AND HANDLING

- Lift by the base with both hands.
- Avoid gripping or pressing on the twisted ring.
- Choose a flat, stable surface, such as a dining table, desk, or shelf.

GOOD TO KNOW

The texture is meant to look rugged and to catch shadow. A little dust in the grooves will not show, but a weekly brush stops it building up.