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Concrete Water Fountain Product Care

As with any surface, it is recommended that you perform regular care and maintenance for your pre-cast water fountain. Fireside Expressions suggests the following guidelines to preserve the concrete's appearance and architectural integrity:

- To minimize any scratches that may occur due to use of the product, avoid contacting the surface with any heavy, rough, or sharp objects.
- Hairline cracks and spotting (1/16" or less) are not flaws or manufacturing defects. Due to the nature of the material, these variances may occur naturally and are considered part of the product's character.
- Concrete products are porous. This means that they are susceptible to discoloration and stains from oils, acidic substances, and caustic liquids (such as bleach, degreasers, chemical sprays, etc.). Clean up any spills immediately to prevent damaging the finish.
- To clean your concrete product: wash with a mild soap and water solution (1 part soap: 4 parts water) and a soft cloth. For stubborn stains, combine 1 part white vinegar to 4 parts water and gently scrub with a soft-bristled (vinyl) brush. Allow your product to dry.
- To preserve the surface of your concrete product, apply a masonry/concrete sealer once a year. Make sure to wait 24 hours after cleaning your concrete product before applying this protective coating.

Just like natural stone, concrete will develop a patina in your outdoor living space due to oxidation and exposure to natural elements. Because no two products are identical, we recommend consulting your owner's manual for more detailed instructions on how to care for the concrete surface.