

# Why Choose Stainless Steel?

Stainless steel has unique qualities:

#### It can self-repair!

Stainless steel has a naturally occurring layer that forms on the surface by oxidization. This film is very thin (only a few atoms thick), inert and invisible. If the surface is accidentally scratched this protective coating automatically repairs itself. This layer is what makes it corrosion resistant.



#### Stainless steel is guaranteed quality composition.

All Dekkor products are made of a specific grade (AISI 303 or 304) of stainless steel, to ensure you are always getting the best of quality. Our products are made in Europe ensuring that you are consistently purchasing only the finest.

# Stainless steel is the environmentally friendly choice.

One of the most overlooked characteristics of Stainless Steel products is environmental sustainability. Steel is the most recycled material on the planet. According to the Steel Recycling Institute, one ton of recycled steel saves 2,500 pounds of iron ore, 1,400 pounds of coal and 120 pounds of limestone.

What is stainless steel? Iron, nickel, molybdenum, and chromium give stainless steel its signature rich, shiny finish. When stainless steel is recycled and melted down, these valuable alloys are able to be extracted and reused with no degradation in performance from product to product. In fact, the vast majority of stainless steel is manufactured using previously recycled materials.

When selecting cabinetry hardware and accessories, only stainless steel offers 100% recyclability and superior corrosion resistance.

#### Stainless steel is both hygienic and aesthetically desirable.

Stainless steel is used in medical applications because of its easy to clean features

## Stainless steel is strong, impact resistant and a long-term investment.

# Why Choose Dekkor Stainless Steel Hardware?

Dekkor offers the best in European quality for an affordable price. We have the most extensive range of product designs, size range and applications available in solid stainless steel and are the exclusive North American distributor of Didheya stainless steel.



### How to Care for Stainless Steel Keep Your Stainless Steel Looking New Forever!

No costly or pollutant chemicals needed. Wipe in the direction of the brushing with a sponge or soft cloth, using water with a very small amount of gentle detergent or vinegar added. Baking soda may be used as an abrasive. Immediately rinse with plain water and buff with a soft cotton cloth to dry completely to avoid water spots and give your hardware a lustrous sheen.

As you handle the hardware, your natural oils give it a patina, which inhibits smudging.

Regular cleaning will avoid any stubborn dirt from building up. Unlike other materials, it is impossible to wear out stainless steel by excessive cleaning.

- Don't use steel or wire wool as it will leave fragments behind which can tarnish the surface.
- Don't use bleach, chlorides or acid-based cleaning products which can discolor the surface.
- Don't allow food items like lemon juice, vinegar, ketchup, salt, mustard, salad dressing or mayonnaise to remain on the surface for long. They can bleach the surface causing white spots. Should this happen, rub with a very fine nylon scrubbing pad and a commercially available stainless paste. Try the paste in a hidden spot first.
- Don't use hard abrasive scouring powders or creams as they may scratch the surface.

