



# FIBERBUILT UMBRELLAS™

## **Opening your umbrella**

It may seem obvious, but taking care to open your patio umbrella properly can ease stress on yourself and on your umbrella. When closed, typical patio umbrellas are set in a locked position. Before turning the crank or pulling the cord, we recommend pulling the ribs gently away from the pole. If the crank or cord resists, the umbrella likely remains in its locked position. Proceed with a gentle, consistent motion until your patio umbrella is fully opened.

## **Closing your umbrella**

For crank-style patio umbrellas, simply crank in the direction opposite of opening, as indicated by the arrows on or near the crank handle. Continue with a smooth motion until your umbrella is closed. If you have a manual patio umbrella or a pulley-style umbrella held in place by a pin, push the umbrella up before attempting to remove the pin. This will relieve pressure and allow the pin to slide out easily. Be sure that there are no obstructions in the ribbing as you close your patio umbrella.

## **Helpful Tips**

If the chance for inclement weather is high, we recommend closing the shade of your patio umbrella and storing it in a sheltered area if possible. Be sure to close your umbrella completely into its locked position, and secure ties (if any) around the shade. Also, check that your patio umbrella is securely positioned in its umbrella stand. An umbrella cover is recommended to protect your umbrella from the sun, elements and environment. Storage is the best solution during inclement weather. An umbrella cover is also recommended even if your umbrellas is stored as it protects against dust, dirt, mildew, and insect damage.

## **Umbrella Coverage**

For the best shade coverage, we recommend the following umbrellas sizes when using your umbrella with a table 6-foot umbrella:

- 7.5Ft umbrella: for tables up to 36” in diameter.
- 8Ft umbrella: for tables up to 40” in diameter
- 9Ft umbrella: for tables up to 48” in diameter or square tables seating four
- 11Ft umbrella: for tables up to 60” in diameter or for oval or rectangular table seating six

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## **Fabric Types**

We offer 3 types of fabrics. Care, durability and appearance varies by fabric for your umbrella

Vinyl Coated Weave for our Garden Umbrellas

PVC covered polyester yarn

Woven mesh construction

Resistant to UV Rays, moisture and mildew

Strong, durable and easy to clean

Olefin for our Patio Umbrellas:

Olefin is a solution dyed fabric.

Woven fabric that is light weight, durable, abrasion resistant,

It is stain resistant and easy to clean

Sunbrella for all other Umbrellas

100% solution-dyed acrylic fabric with locked-in colors.

Withstands sun, wind, and rain without fading, remaining beautiful for years.

Water repellant. A water repellant finish is applied to the fabric in the finishing process.

Tested and proven to provide up to 98% UV protection.

Three-year warranty against fading for furniture grade

Five-year warranty against fading for marine grade

## **Tilt Options**

Push Button Tilt is a button found higher on the umbrella pole. Once the umbrella is opened, you may push the button and tilt the umbrella into position. This option is available on our Garden & Patio Umbrellas

Auto Tilt is located at the actual crank of the umbrella. After the umbrella is in the full open position, crank the umbrella again to tilt into position. This option is available on our 9Ft Market Umbrellas

Collar Tilt is an easy to use tilt option. You merely turn the collar located above the crank. This will dial any set position with ease while staying seated. This option offers several positions to shade you from the sun. This option is available on our 9Ft Market Umbrellas

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## **Cleaning**

Cleaning and caring for your umbrella will keep your umbrella looking great and extend the life. Follow the procedures below based on the type of fabric on your umbrella. Avoid using chemicals, abrasives materials, or other harsh cleaning products, as these may cause undue damage to your umbrella.

**Sunbrella fabrics** are Solution dyed acrylic and feature a soil and stain-resistant finish that can be cleaned with a solution of natural soap in lukewarm water. Solution dyed acrylic does not promote mildew growth. However, mildew may grow in dirt and other foreign substances that are allowed to stand on the fabric. For mildew stains, prepare a mild solution of one cup of bleach plus two capfuls of a natural soap per gallon of water. Sponge thoroughly with clean water and air dry.

**Olefin fabrics** can be cleaned with a solution of warm water and a mild detergent. For stubborn stains, diluted bleach can be used without affecting the fabric color. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and air dry.

**Vinyl coated weave fabrics** are among the most durable and easy-to-clean fabrics. To clean, sponge with a solution of one teaspoon of liquid dish detergent and two tablespoons of household bleach with one gallon of water. Clean fabric using sponge or soft cloth dipped in the cleaning solution. Rinse thoroughly with clean water and air dry.

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