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## **Congratulations on purchasing a local, carbon lite, natural and earth linked resource for the outdoors which provides a close connection to the living landscape.**

This will make a suitable addition to the imported and manufactured equipment so necessary in modern life and schools, however it does take a change of perception when dealing with natural products. This range will change shape, colour, split, splits close and lose bark for example. In this respect it is a living product to be observed, checked and engaged with.

Do treat it further with non toxic water based treatment, as and when necessary in the same manner you would with all, more manufactured, garden products. We would advise against activities such as filling any gaps, crack or splits with wood filler as this will detract from the products natural aesthetic offering.

Feel free to sand any edges that become splinter sites, and wire brush any mould or moss to keep the product useable and clean.

As this is a natural product each disc is individual and therefore may vary slightly in size.

All our natural wood products are handmade from materials sourced from sustainably managed woodlands in the UK supporting local crafts people. Each item is in its natural form, this means they have their bark on with different number of growth rings giving each piece a unique character.

These items are cut from unprocessed wood so they may be speckled in appearance or may have knots within the wood.

This item is an everyday object and its purpose is more than just a toy so, as with many products like this, children should be appropriately instructed and supervised at all times when using them.

The wood is 'green wood', simply cut and as such will expand and contract with the weather, splits will occur and bark will fall off as the product naturally weathers and reacts to the sunshine and the rain, along with other weather elements.

We have cut the wood to a thickness that means that any splits, should not split the product in half within the first year, if it does then please feel free to ask for a replacement.

Observed well this is a good source of changing perception for this type of product and learning points for the children. The product will naturally biodegrade over time and then make super fodder for mini bug cities and natural sculptures.

*The Cosy Team*