



Glass

The glass used in Iittala glassware is high quality and optically very clear. It resists both chemical and mechanical wear well. All of Iittala's utility glasses can be washed in the dishwasher. The glasses should be positioned in the top rack of the dishwasher so that they do not touch each other during the wash cycle. The surface area of glass expands when heated and therefore glasses should not be stacked while still warm from washing as they then may stick together and break.

For hot drinks, use only glasses that are made of heat-resistant special glass - HotCool and Tsaikka. These glasses can also be used in microwave oven. All other Iittala glasses and glass pitchers are meant only for cold drinks and should not be used in microwave oven.

Delicate stemware, pitchers and jugs, mugs, large-footed dessert bowls and objects with glass of varying thickness should be washed by hand and we recommend hand wash only. To clean these items use regular dish washing detergent and a soft dish washing brush. Rinse well and leave to dry or dry with a soft cloth.

For glass vases we recommend hand washing. If there are stubborn stains on your flower vase, soak the vase in 1dl laundry detergent to one liter of water. Do not scrub, as scouring powder or abrasive scrubbing pads scratch and spoil the surface.

The so-called burning lens phenomenon may damage objects and surfaces in the vicinity of the glass object. To avoid this, do not leave a lens-shaped thick glass object or vase filled with water in direct sunlight.

Microwave safe: Iittala porcelain and heat-resistant glass items are microwave oven safe and can be used for defrosting, re-heating and cooking in the microwave oven. However, do not defrost frozen porcelain dishes, i.e. dishes with food recently taken out of the freezer, on full effect in the microwave oven.

Dishwasher safe: Iittala products marked with the "dishwasher safe" symbol can be washed in the dishwasher. Place the dishes in the dishwasher so that they do not touch each other during the wash cycle, as that may result in chipping. Fill the dishwasher evenly on both levels. Rinse very dirty dishes before washing them in the dishwasher. Rinsing for example milk glasses before washing in the dishwasher is recommended as dairy products may create a cloudy film on the glass when washed in high temperatures.

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