



Stainless steel

Most Iittala kitchen accessories are made out of durable and easy to care for 18/10 steel, which consists of 18% chromium and 10% nickel. Chromium protects the steel against corrosion. The addition of nickel to the alloy increases its corrosion resistance while adding a bright polished appearance, hardness, and exceptional resistance to all temperatures.

Cooking items are marked with the hob symbol to help you out when selecting right casserole for your hob. Items marked with the induction hob symbol have induction bases that are specially designed for induction hobs. Their bases contain a magnetic metal that ensures that the bottom of the pan will be heated on the hob's magnetic field. They also work very well on other types of hob. Cooking with an induction hob uses less electricity than a traditional hob and is safe to use as the hob itself does not get hot. Induction hobs react rapidly when you change heat settings, and only heat the dish and the food, not the rest of the kitchen.

Enamelled Cast Iron

Cast iron cookware may also be coated with enamel. Enamel protects the surface against rust and strengthens it. In enamelled products food can be prepared in the oven or on the stove with good results every time. Food cooks evenly and browns well. The enamelled surface prevents food flavors from sticking to the pot, so you can use the same pot for cooking fish as well as meat.

Use wooden or plastic kitchen utensils. Sharp objects and scouring agents and sponges can damage the enamel. Always wash enamelled cast iron products by hand, with or without washing liquid. Occasionally, it is recommended to treat the enamelled surface with cooking oil.

Freezer safe: Iittala items are freezer safe, but hot dishes and foods should be cooled before placed in the freezer. Similarly frozen dishes should not be placed in a hot oven or microwave oven. Do not freeze liquids as they expand when frozen.

Oven safe: Most Iittala cooking and porcelain items are oven safe up to 250 °C. The base of the dish should be covered with liquid or food while in the oven. The distance to the oven grill should be at least 10 cm. Do not place a hot Iittala dish in the freezer or a cold dish in a hot oven.

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.