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How to look after your OB candle

All our candles come with use and care instructions - these can be found on the sticker on the base of the candle. Not only do these outline safety instructions, but they also include use instructions to optimise your candle's fragrance diffusion and burn performance.

Burn your candle for at least two hours, and no more than four hours, at a time

As the wick burns and the wax around it melts, this creates a wax pool. To get the best out of your candle, allow the melted wax pool to reach the edge of the candle vessel before extinguishing. This will allow the candle to burn evenly and prevent tunnelling, where a ring of wax is left around the side of the vessel.

Keep wicks trimmed to 5mm

Once the wax has cooled, it is important to trim the wick to 5mm. If left untrimmed, the excess wick will start to curl and form 'clubbing' at the top. This can cause the wick to smoke, create tunnelling in the wax, and affect the candle's fragrance.

Keep the wax pool clear of matches and debris to avoid flaring

Any excess debris in the wax pool, including clubbing and matches, can lead to secondary ignition. This is where the candle temperature rises and the flame becomes bigger, flickering and smoking more. If this happens, make sure to extinguish the flame immediately.

Keep your candle away from flammable materials

Position your candle at a safe distance from any polished surfaces or flammable materials, including any overhanging objects such as dried flowers.

Also make sure you keep your candle out of reach of children and pets.

Stop burning your candle when there is 10mm of wax left

This will help to prevent the vessel from overheating, which can cause damage to the candle's vessel and any surface it's on.

Place your candle on a heat-resistant surface

This is to prevent any damage to furniture or items which you place the candle on. One of our marble coasters or ceramic trinket dishes are ideal for this!

Keep your candle away from draughts

Draughts can cause the candle's flame to flicker or smoke more. Keeping your candle away from draughts will also help to avoid sooting or uneven burning.

And most importantly never leave a candle unattended.