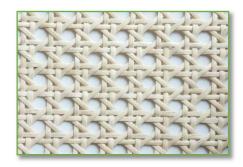


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Material:	100% rattan
Origin of the rattan:	Indonesia
Length of a roll:	standard 50 foot (= 15.24 meter)
Width of a roll:	may vary from 16" (40 cm) till 40" (100 cm)
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Product description:

For the NR.701 a special kind of rattan is selected with a natural lacquer on the outside of the skin.

This natural lacquer is meant to protect the plant from insects and damages.

This rattan skin is the strongest part of the rattan and exactly the reason why it is used for our article NR.701 People often think that we finish the webbing NR.701 with a synthetic lacquer but it is 100% natural. The skin of the rattan is cut several times to get the right width and thickness for the wewaving of NR.701

There exist over 200 different species of rattan. We prefer to use the rattan from Indonesia because its volcanic soil gives the Indonesian rattan very good characteristics for making all kinds of rattan weaves.

The weaving (warp and weft) is done on machines followed by the weaving of the diagonals. These diagonals are in every direction handwoven, because there exist no machine that can weave diagonals.

After the weaving is finished, NR.701 is put shortly in a bath with mainly H2O2 (hydrogen peroxide) This acid is quite harmless in itself as it is widely used in shampoo and toothpaste as well. Such a bath makes the colour of the rattan cane webbing more smooth and even.

Before applying the rattan, it is advised to make the webbing wet in lukewarm water for maximum 15 minutes. This makes the webbing more flexible.

Once applied and it dries up, the webbing shrinks a bit and by doing so, it becomes more thight.

FSC:

We have no FSC certificate for the rattan cane webbing, simply because it does not exist. Rattan is **no** wood.

Rattan is a vine that needs a "carrier" to grow.

As carrier the rattan vine uses trees. No trees means no rattan.

A rattan forest does not exist, only a forest with rattan.

The forest protection is in fact necessary to protect the cultivation of rattan

The cultivation of rattan does not harm the forest and also the harvest of the rattan does not harm the forest. Rattan is cut just above the roots which enables us to harvest the rattan again after some 7 - 8 years.



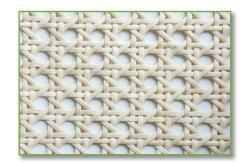
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Maintenance of rattan cane webbing

Rattan webbing requires little maintenance.

Dust the rattan dry and clean it occasionally with a damp cloth (water only).

Do not use oil or oily products as this will collect dust and dirt.

The rattan webbing seats stretch slightly over time to absorb the tension when someone sits on them.

This tension can be restored by wetting the webbing slightly with warm water and a sponge at the bottom/backside of the rattan webbing.

This moisture is absorbed by the rattan fibres.

Only after the rattan webbing has dried completely, it can it be used for seating again.

Depending on the circumstances, this drying can take up to 12 hours.

To preserve rattan webbing, it is advisable not to place the webbing permanently in direct sunlight.

It is important to avoid point pressure on the webbing at any time.

In other words : never stand on the webbing and do not place your knees on the webbing.