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Oiling Cutting Boards makes it an Heirloomâ€ by [Riley Poole](#)

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Why should you oil your wooden cutting boards, or other wooden products? This article will address that question. The wooden cutting boards youâ€™ll get from experienced wood crafters like those at Carolina Wood Designs are some of the best available because they can be specifically designed for whomever the product is for or whatever the situation is. The same goes for products like wooden cigar humidors. Humidors and cutting boards are items that seem standard or unexciting, but to those who are into cigars and cooking, these are dream items. A very nice wood item is something that can become an heirloom, and can bring a natural, warm feeling to your home.

So, caring for your wooden cutting board (or other wood product, such as a wooden humidor, although youâ€™d want to be very careful with those and oiling), youâ€™ll want to learn how to oil the wood. Oiling cutting boards allows for the pores of the wood to fill in and become shiny, firm, and protected against bacteria that may otherwise seep into the cracks. Thatâ€™s one of the wonderful things about wooden productsâ€”the fact that you need to oil them makes for both a better looking product as well as a better-working product! Happy situations like that donâ€™t happen too frequently in other markets.

All you have to do to oil the wooden cutting boards is to find a natural mineral oil and then take a cloth, softly, gently rubbing in the oil to the board. You can use a circular motion to ensure that you cover the different areas of the surface evenly and several times while youâ€™re oiling. You let the board sit and dry, and then you oil it again. You do this until the oil does not so quickly or easily dry on the surface of the board. That indicates that the oil has seeped into the pores and youâ€™re ready to go!

If you ever have questions about oiling your wooden productsâ€”especially those products that have been custom-designed and you wish to take extra-special care ofâ€”you often can easily contact the designer or maker of the board. Because good wooden products are custom-made, you can get that sort of individual support, with specific knowledge of your product.

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