## PERFECTLY IMPERFECT

## Solid Oak and Oak Veneer Furniture

The nature of solid oak furniture means that across each piece you will be able to see and appreciate the **unique natural grain**, colour variation, burrs, knots, medullary rays and splits. These features **add to the beauty** of your natural furniture and **should not be considered imperfections**.



Depending on the style of furniture, some splits and marks may have been made or enhanced by the craftsman to amplify its natural beauty and character.



As a natural material, solid oak will continue to move and be affected by its surroundings. Changes in humidity and temperature can lead to warping and /or cracks in the wood. Therefore, it is advisable <u>not</u> to place your furniture against a direct heat source or air conditioning unit.



Over time, with changes in the atmosphere and light, the wood will mellow. To ensure an even tone we recommend that it is not left in direct sunlight and any objects placed on the furniture should be regularly moved around to help avoid colour differences.



If you have chosen an extending dining table, it may be beneficial to leave your table extended for a period to allow the extension leaf to mellow with the rest of the tabletop



The veneer has been cut from oak. Real wood veneer displays the same features you will see in solid oak and it should be cared for in the same way.



For furniture that is finished with an NC Lacquer we recommend the use of a non-silicone-based polish, such as Wood Silk.