General Cleaning

Recommended Cleaning Products

- Dish soap and water
- 409
- Simple Green

Spray the Cloth Not the Surface

Especially when cleaning graphics, it is important to remember to spray the cloth, not the surface that is being cleaned. Spraying the surface can lead to excess cleaner running into cracks and spaces. This can lead to graphic edges bulging and peeling, adhesive losing its properties, and build up and rust under hardware.

Static vs Gravity

When cleaning the spinning disks **do not** use a damp cloth. Use only a clean dry cloth. Moisture, acrylic cleaner, and glass cleaner can diminish the static charge.

Carbon Nanotube and Tippy Table

Do not submerge the wood or foam pieces in liquid. Both wood and foam are porous and will absorb the cleaner.

Table Tops

Do not use any cleaner with alcohol in it. The alcohol will break down the clearcoat finish.

Seating Area

The covers of the sofa and armchair are removable, machine washable (hang to dry), or in the case of permanent stain, replaceable. Replacement covers are available at Ikea.

Routine Upkeep

Small Smaller Nano

If the magnetic sand (on the small table) is cloudy or murky:

- Disassemble the unit
- Drain and replace the water (keeping the magnetite in the bottle), repeat as necessary
- Fill the bottle and add a few drops of bleach
- Replace the cap tightly
- Reinstall unit

How to keep your Ferrofluid from separating:

- Play with it, do not let it sit for more than a month
- Do not let it freeze
- Once separated, the Ferrofluid cannot be remixed without specialized tools and techniques

Static Vs Gravity

Static force looses it strength over time. If the small beads are not sticking to the acrylic face give the disk a good spin for a few minutes. If this does not work try again in a day or two. Extreme weather conditions can sometimes affect static force.

I SPY Smell Bottle

Orange extract is alcohol-based and does evaporate over time. About once a month, depending on usage, add a few drops of extract to the cotton ball, replacing the cotton ball as needed. Orange extract can be found at most grocery stores.

I SPY Phone Ring

How to reset the sound card:

- Push the card in (you may need a flat head screwdriver or long nails) and it will pop out partially
- Pull the card fully out of the slot
- Reinsert it, making sure that you push it in far enough for it to click, once again using thin tools to help if necessary