Gretchen Bench

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Sustainability Data Sheet



Sustainability is the foundation of Landscape Forms' commitment to enhance the experience of outdoor space. Across our portfolio, we prioritize responsible design, materials, manufacturing practices and partnerships that honor the environments we help shape—today and for the future. Each solution reflects our ongoing efforts to reduce environmental impact and advance sustainable landscape design through thoughtful decisions across the entire lifecycle.

Gretchen Bench is manufactured using the following materials:

Material	Parts	Recyclable
Aluminum	Supports	100%
Wood	Seat/ Back Slats	100%
PolySite® Recyled HDPE Plastic	Seat/ Back Slats	100%

Finishes

All metal is finished with Pangard II® polyester powdercoat, a lead-free and hazardous air pollutants (HAPS)-free finish that does not generate hazardous waste and contains less than 1% VOCs. Once cured, trace VOCs are fully inert, ensuring the finish does not release airborne contaminants.

Landscape Forms exterior wood products are made from species that weather naturally in outdoor settings to a silvery gray patina. No paints or applied finishes are used, as these would require ongoing maintenance.

Landscape Forms' exclusive LF-80 wood finish, a clear, catalyzed acrylic lacquer. Natural concrete surfaces are porous and exhibit a distinctive cured texture, which may include voids and natural absorption of discoloring tannins.

PolySite® is Landscape Forms' proprietary high-density polyethylene material engineered for exceptional durability, longevity, and low maintenance in demanding outdoor environments. Manufactured with recycled content and designed to resist moisture, corrosion, rot, insects, and weather-related degradation, PolySite delivers the appearance and performance required for public spaces without the need for painting, sealing, or refinishing. Its color is integrated throughout the material, helping maintain a consistent appearance over time while supporting a long service life and reduced maintenance requirements.

Packaging Materials	Parts	Recyclable
Biodegradeable Plastic	Product Bagged to Protect Finish	100%
Recycled Skid		100%
Cardboard with 35% Recycled Content		100%

To find local recyclers visit: for aluminum: www.recyclealuminum.org; for steel: www.recycle-steel.org; for cardboard: www.fibrebox.org.

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Recycled Content

Style	Post Consumer	Pre Consumer
Wood Seat	5%	4%
PolySite Seat	66%	23%

Care and Maintenance

Gretchen Bench is designed and engineered to live a long, useful life in outdoor spaces without the use of chemical cleaners to maintain the finish. The durability, longevity and low maintenance of our products contribute to responsible stewardship of the earth's resources.

All metal is finished with Landscape Forms' proprietary Pangard II® polyester powdercoat, a durable yet flexible finish that resists rusting, chipping, peeling, and fading and requires no solvents for cleaning. Surfaces should be cleaned with a soft cloth or brush and mild detergent, avoiding steam cleaning, abrasive cleansers, carbon steel brushes or wools, and chlorine-based cleaners. Outdoor use requires periodic inspection for scratches, nicks, and gouges, which can be repaired with touch-up paint provided with each order.

Exterior woods require no maintenance, but if desired, surfaces can be scrubbed with warm soapy water and a soft bristle brush. Heavily ingrained stains may be sanded away with fine sandpaper along the grain, and sanded areas will weather naturally to a gray patina. Pressure washing and steel wool or wire brushes should be avoided. Interior woods require only dusting or occasional cleaning with a good-quality furniture polish

Interior woods are finished with Landscape Forms' exclusive LF-80 clear, catalyzed acrylic lacquer and require very little maintenance. Simply dust surfaces regularly with a clean soft cloth and occasionally polish with a quality furniture product.

PolySite® requires minimal maintenance and can be cleaned easily with soap and water to maintain its original appearance. Sealing, painting, or re-finishing is neither required nor recommended, as paint generally will not adhere to the material's surface. Most graffiti and surface markings can be removed using a conventional all-purpose cleaner or petroleum-based cleaner. PolySite's durable outer layer resists carving and damage; if minor marring occurs, the area can be restored by lightly buffing with fine sandpaper. Unlike many materials, abraded areas will not darken, spread, crack, or check over time, helping maintain long-term performance and appearance.

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