

# Restoring Small Dents on a Butcher Block Surface For Unfinished Countertops



## Steam the Dent with a Hot Iron & Water

- Adjust the iron to a medium-high setting
- Fill dent with water, let sit for 90-seconds
- Place a damp cotton towel, folded in half, over the dented area
- Iron in circular motions to heat the damp towel, never letting the iron to come in contact with the wood and taking care not to burn the wood or cotton towel
- Remove the cloth & examine the dent, repeat 3-4 times as needed to fully lift the dent

## Sand the Area to Remove Raised Wood Grain

- Let the wood completely dry
- Lightly sand with 220-grit sandpaper to remove wood grain that has been raised due to the steam
- Always sand in the direction of the wood grain
- Remove dust with a tack cloth or slightly damp cloth

## Apply Finish as Desired

- All or most of the dent should now be lifted after the steaming and sanding
- Finish or stain the wood as desired following the stain or finish manufacturer's instructions

Please refer to online tutorials for step-by-step instructions.

Warning: Please use caution when handling hot materials, as they can cause burns.