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## 1 From skin to leather

The main process is so called tanning, which is to convert the raw skin or hide into the stable leather by chemical treatment. Tanning is usually carried out in one of two ways.

#### **OChrome tanning**

It is the most popular tanning process producing leather with flexibility, elasticity, heat resistance, and good dyeability.

Read it, please!!

Full of useful information

#### **OVegetable tanning**

It is more traditional tanning process tanned using various plant extracts. It has the feature that aging (color becomes deep and gloss comes out) happens while using for a long time.

### 2 Leather care



#### When getting stains

- Obust or brush with a suitable brush, or wipe with a soft cloth.
- OUse an appropriate care product adapted to the leather type. You should pay attention to instructions and pre-test on an inconspicuous area first.
- OBuffed leather such as suede, nubuck, and velour may be removed with rubber eraser.
- OWrong care products may degrade leather. Avoid using household detergents, solvents, and sprits as they are liable to damage in finish.

#### When getting wet

- Remove excess water with a dry towel and dry naturally in shade.
- OKeep away from direct heat and sunlight.
- Olf you feel firmer after drying, you may apply an appropriate leather conditioner or protective oil.

#### When growing mold

- Treatment should be outside if at all possible.
- Remove mold as you can off the leather surface wipe with a dry or damp cloth, or brush with nylon brush.
- Toothbrush can use to clean stitching lines and crevices.
  - Allow the leather to dry fully in shade naturally after removing mold.

# 3 How store your leather products?



- . ODry naturally in shade before storing.
- OStore the good place with good airflow and low humidity avoiding direct sunlight.
- OStorage in a plastic container can lead to discoloration of leather.
- Olf you use a desiccant, you should not use calcium chloride, but use silica gel.

## 4 Japan Eco-leather Q & A

# Q. There seems to be eco leather abroad, is it the same as Japan eco leather?

A. There are many common parts, in addition, the certification of Japan eco leather needs to submit the information of raw skin or hide, the list of chemicals, and certification of waste and effluent management

## Q. Where can I buy Japan eco leather product?

A. You can find the product attached a tag with Japan eco leather label in the department stores and the famous specialty stores.

It is a reliable product whose information on the producer is identified.



# Q. Does care of a Japanese eco leather differ from ordinary leather?

A. It is the completely same care as ordinary leather.
You should use the appropriate care products depend on the type of leather in any case.

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