



Product FAQ LEATHER

CUTS OF LEATHER

LEATHER TYPES

Grain: The smooth outside top layer of the hide.

Split: The rougher inside layer of the hide when top layer is removed.

Cowhide: Most commonly used leather due to availability. The most heat resistant leather.

Pigskin: Greatest breathability due to its porous texture. Remains pliable after exposure to wet conditions.

Goatskin: One of the softest leathers due to its natural lanolin which provides waterproof and tactile sensitive properties.

Deerskin: The most luxurious leather available for comfort and sensitivity with longer wear.

Elkskin: Like deerskin, the soft texture provides superior comfort and stays flexible when exposed to heat.

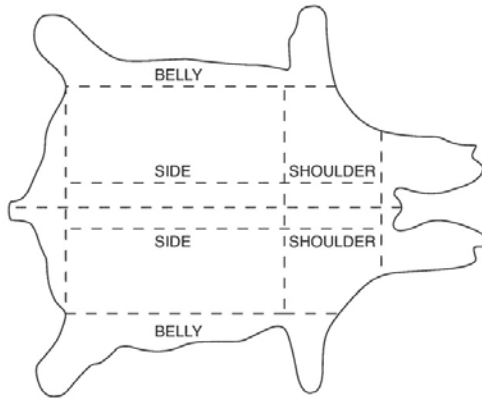
LEATHER CATEGORIES

Premium: The highest quality and most durable leather available provide the most uniform leather with few imperfections. Most commonly cut from the side area or rib section of the hide.

Select: Leather of consistent quality and thickness with slightly less durability than premium. Typically cut from the shoulder area of the hide where texture differences are more visible.

Standard: Provides the best value leather for the price with adequate quality and durability. Generally cut from the shoulder area or belly of the hide.

Economy: The least expensive option with inconsistencies in leather appearance and texture. Most commonly cut from the belly section of the hide.



THE BENEFITS OF LEATHER



Cowhide

- Good durability
- Good insulation protection, especially against heat
- High puncture resistance



Pigskin

- Lightweight
- Highest breathability due to porous texture
- Low cost
- High abrasion resistance
- Tends to become softer and more flexible after use



Goatskin

- Natural lanolin creates soft feel
- High abrasion and puncture resistance
- High flexibility
- High durability



Deerskin

- Very soft and comfortable
- Highest insulation protection, especially against cold
- Highest durability and longest lasting
- Highest flexibility and dexterity

| Leather Type | Puncture Resistance | Durability | Breathability | Leather Flexibility | Insulation | Moisture Resistance | Abrasion | Cost |
|----------------|---------------------|------------|---------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|----------|---------|
| Grain Pigskin | 5 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 5 | Low |
| Grain Cowhide | 4 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | Average |
| Split Cowhide | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | Low |
| Grain Deerskin | 2 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | High |
| Split Deerskin | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | Average |
| Grain Goatskin | 4 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | Average |
| Grain Elkskin | 2 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | High |

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