

Care Guide – Nubuck Leather

Why does leather need cleaning and care?

Leather necessarily requires important care products and moisturizers to retain its attractiveness, its wonderful soft grip, and its naturalness for a long time. Leather cannot regenerate itself and relies on effective care from the outside. It can only absorb these if its pores have been cleaned and any dirt particles removed prior to application. Without regular care, leather quickly loses its attractive appearance, it gets dirty, dries out or its colour loses its intensity.

For nubuck leather we recommend the KERALUX[®] Leather Care Set N from LCK, which includes a Cleaning Glove, a cleaning Cloth, and a Protection Spray. We recommend using the Cleaning Glove weekly, the Cleaning Cloth monthly and the Protection Spray 2-4 times a year. N.B. Pretest each product for compatibility on a hidden area!

Cleaning

We recommend that upholstered furniture is vacuum-cleaned weekly with the upholstery nozzle on your vacuum cleaner, set to the lowest power possible. Then use the cleaning glove, either dry or moist (use distilled water), to wipe the upholstery down. This will remove the superficial day-to-day dirt excellently. At the same time, the leather is provided with moisture and is thus protected against drying out. The cleaning glove can be washed at temperatures up to 60 °C (please do not use any fabric softeners). Nubuck leather should be „rubbed over“ monthly with the special cleaning cloth. To do this, use the cleaning cloth to brush out the leather in all directions. Never scrub heavily in one area. In the event of stains, always include a large surrounding area when treating. Only use the cloth when it is dry on dry leather. Slight colour abrasion, which is shown through discoloration of the cloth, is normal. Wash the cloth out in water after use. Through use, the cloth loses rubber particles, similar to using an eraser. This is a sign of effective and conserving cleaning.

Care

Use the Protection Spray to impregnate the leather after cleaning 2-4 times a year. Spray the rubbed-over areas thinly and evenly from a distance of approximately 30 cm, holding the bottle as upright as possible. Be careful, that no Protection Spray will seep on the leather. Allow to dry for at least two hours. Then, if necessary, use a very soft brush to gently roughen the upholstery. In rare cases, slight colour changes may occur; this will return to normal after drying or through brushing. The colour may darken if too much spray is used; this, however, will return to normal through use over time.

Important tips on general leather protection



Please avoid direct exposure to light. Sunlight and artificial light can fade the colour and dry out the leather. The sun protection in the Protection Spray reduces the effect of UV radiation.

Never use chemical products or ordinary cleaning products on leather.

The most important rule for stains: Respond immediately! For beverage stains, absorb the liquid gently with a paper towel. Then clean carefully with the Cleaning Cloth. Avoid pressure and too intensive rubbing.

Leather furniture should be away from heaters at least 30 cm. Heat dries out the leather.

Colour intensive clothes (e. g. jeans), pillows, blankets, and such like can discolour leather.

Pets, zippers, and sharp objects can damage the leather surface. Please try to avoid contacts with these.