

Leather Detergent Instructions

Leather Detergent Concentrate is used to wash leather articles that are oil soaked or extremely dirty. Excellent for removing old, unwanted leather conditioners or wax build up on the surface. It is also great for re-hydrating old, hard leather or washing tack and harness leather. Leather Detergent Concentrate contains softening agents to prevent the leather from become stiff and dry after washing. Not recommended for washing leather clothing that is lined with cloth material.

Directions:

Completely wet the leather by soaking in a bath of luke warm water or wet the leather by sponging (water temperature should never exceed 100 degrees F). Using a brush, apply a generous coating of Leather Detergent Concentrate to both sides of the leather. Next place the treated leather in a plastic bag for 1 hour, then rinse thoroughly with luke warm water (again, do not exceed 100 degrees F). Hang to dry. Dry slowly. In most cases no further conditioning is necessary except for leather that was extremely dry and stiff. The leather may take several days to dry.

NOTE: Always test a small area in the least conspicuous place before treating the whole article. Most antique leather has been tanned with extracts (also known as bark tanning) and holds up well to washing.

Optional methods:

Mix 2 - 4 ounces of Leather Detergent Concentrate to each gallon of luke water and submerge leather. Agitate until determined that the leather is clean. Rinse in warm water and hang to dry. Allow to dry slowly. To surface wash leather surfaces, first dampen the surface of the leather with water. Mix a solution of 1 - 2 ounces of Leather Detergent Concentrate to each gallon of water. Dampen a soft rag with the mixed solution and gently wipe the surface. Repeat until rag does not show any further dirt.

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