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LEATHER

Leather furniture has always been associated with high quality & comfort. It is also very durable. There is a lot of confusion over the various types of leather. There are three types:

ANILINE leathers are



colored with transparent dyestuffs. You are able to see the surface grains and markings.

ANILINE represents about 5% of the upholstered market.

NUBUCK leathers have been brushed and have a texture similar to velvet. Many people confuse **NUBUCK** with **SUEDE**. They look similar, but **SUEDE** is the flesh side of the skin and **NUBUCK** is the outside. It is dyed the same as **ANILINE** leathers. **NUBUCK** represents about 5% of the market.

PROTECTED leathers are



the most common, at 90% of the market. The application of pigment is on the leather, like paint. This results in a more uniform appearance and color.

Leather must be properly cared for in order to extend the life of the leather. Most leather manufacturers recommend basic cleaning and moisturizing every year. We usually get called in when there is a larger problem. Excessive exposure to the sun, harsh chemicals and dampness such as from wet swim suits, tanning or hair oils and lack of moisturizers are the major issues we find.

Our scope of leather work is as varied as the leathers. Basic cleaning and moisturizing is usually fairly inexpensive. Restoration is more involved and expensive. Here are a couple of before and afters we have worked on. The first pictures are of an ottoman that had sun damage.



This leather headboard had 'artwork' scratched in by kids fingernails.

