

# THE NATURE OF LEATHER

**Edelman is committed to creating beautiful, sustainable products for interiors and upholstery. In a dynamic, technology-driven world, we believe in the integrity of natural products and embrace the warm and calming quality of leather. With a hands-on approach to our craft, we celebrate leather, including the imperfections and markings that enhance its character, charm, and lasting style. Now, more than ever, we feel it's important to return to the natural. Leather, the original upholstery material, predates woven textiles and brings a heritage of enduring beauty into your world.**

## **NATURALLY SUSTAINABLE**

When we call our leather sustainable, it's more than a catch phrase — it's the reality of the high-quality leather we craft. When sourced selectively and prepared expertly, leather wears in, not out, becoming more desirable over time. Leather is easy to maintain. In a world filled with disposable items, furniture upholstered in our leather lasts, becoming an instant and cherished heirloom.

## **SOURCED RIGHT**

We carefully source our hides from small European farms with herds raised ethically in natural environments spanning France, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy. Based on our dedication to making the most of our planet's precious resources, we craft beautiful leather from hides that would otherwise be discarded as food industry byproducts. Selectively sourced leather is higher quality and longer lasting, which is ultimately better for the environment.

## **ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE**

Edelman's deep respect for the natural world is reflected in our commitment to environmentally-sound practices from start to finish. Our European leather tanning practices conform to strict emission standards. The tanneries are REACH compliant, ISO9001 certified, and undergoing ISO1400 certification. The tanning process uses mostly water-based materials, limiting emissions of VOCs (Volatile Organic Compounds). Edelman's domestic finishing plant uses no solvent-based materials and produces no VOCs. All finishes are water-based, as enforced by OSHA. In addition, leather is 100% biodegradable and 100% post-consumer recyclable. Unlike other upholstery options, it won't end up in landfills.

## **SAFE AND SOUND**

Leather is a naturally non-toxic material. Allergies to leather are extremely rare. Edelman Leather does not off-gas. All Edelman upholstery leathers are GREENGUARD Gold Certified. This certification is based on some of the strictest chemical emissions standards in the world and is designed to improve indoor air quality.

## **QUALITY IS ITS NATURE**

Full grain, aniline-dyed leather with small amounts of pigment in the finish will outlast fabrics by four to five times. Our leather has quality built in from start to finish. It is a durable, dependable, luxurious, livable, and environmentally-sound choice.

*Naturally Leather. Naturally Edelman.*