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Care Instructions

Everyday Cleaning

Include your cowhide rug, furniture or cushions in your normal cleaning routine:

- simply vacuum or give rugs and cushions a shake outside to remove dust and small dry particles of dirt.
- Rotate your rug or move to a different location from time to time so that it wears evenly.
- You can wipe smoothly in the direction of the hair with a damp (but not wet) cloth with mild soap and water.
- Do not soak the hide or get it wet.

Common Spills

For spills like wine, coffee, tea, juice, food, soup:

- Soak up spills with a paper towel or sponge immediately.
- Remove solid matter with the blunt edge of knife by scraping gently in the direction of the hair.
- Wipe with a damp (but not wet) sponge or cloth using mild soapy solution. You can wipe and rub the hair vigorously in any direction.
- Finally clean with a damp cloth using a diluted 1% white vinegar and 99% water solution (this balances the pH levels)
- Alternatively for extra dirty areas, use a very small amount of shampoo on a damp sponge. Sponge along the nap repeatedly. Rinse the sponge to remove the shampoo and dirt and repeat until the hide is cleaned. Dry using a towel running along the nap. For major cleaning, steam cleaning would be fine, as long as you don't soak the leather backing.

Other Spills & Stains

For fat, grease, lipstick, tar and chewing gum:

- Remove solid matter with the blunt edge of knife by scraping gently.
- Apply dry cleaning fluid directly to the affected area on a soft cloth by dabbing gently.
- Finally wipe with a damp (but not wet) sponge or cloth using a mild soapy solution. You can wipe and rub the hair vigorously in any direction.

Please note we can not guarantee that these techniques will remove your stain, but they are the best method of trying. This is done at your own risk.

Cowhides do not like to be damp or wet, please avoid this. If you have a dehumidifier, use it regularly to remove moisture from the room. On a sunny day you can put your cowhide outside with the underside facing the sun.