



THINKING GREEN  
AMERICANLEATHER®

## HISTORY

Founded in 1990, AMERICAN LEATHER is a manufacturer of custom upholstered premium leather and fabric furniture, and is recognized as one of the leaders of high quality custom designed and innovative furniture.

The company has strengthened efforts on strictly environmentally friendly systems in response to the high demand and dire need in their industry.

The following are components of American Leather's manufacturing facilities, processing techniques, and materials for an extended effort in supporting our future.

## a SMALLER CARBON FOOTPRINT

### COVERINGS

American Leather uses modern tanneries that utilize closed water system and private water treatment plants to prevent pollution of surrounding water supplies. All of our leather is dyed using water-based solvents and pigments and 34 of our leathers (Eco and Elmo) are biodegradable and made through an entirely chemical-free process.

### NO SHIPS OR PLANES

All American Leather products are manufactured in Dallas, Texas. It takes between 5-10 days to ship anywhere in the USA due to its central location. So, a smaller carbon footprint is used because no products are shipped from overseas.

### ENERGY EFFICIENT

We use an Energy Management System that is a proactive energy conservation network that controls use of HVAC systems (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) as well as lighting systems.

### WE BUY SUSTAINABLE WOOD

All the wood in our furniture comes from North American sustainably managed forests.

### NO VOC GLUES

Our glues and binders are water-based and does not contain or release harmful volatile organic compounds. (VOCs)

### OZONE CONSCIOUS

Twenty percent of our cushions are made from soy-based foam. The rest of our high-density, high resiliency foam is free of chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) which prevent ozone layer damage.

### WE RECYCLE

All scrap wood is recycled every year in 2 million pounds of wood dust and resold to make landscaping bricks. The same goes for scrap leather. The cute wallet at the department store may have once been on our leather racks. All cardboard, paper products and office supplies are recycled.

### EXTRA ECO-BROWNIE POINTS

We are a founding member of the SUSTAINABLE FURNITURE COUNCIL, a non-profit organization that promotes sustainable practices in the furniture industry. Long before we heard about Pius we were talking to our peers about how our business might handle green practices.

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