

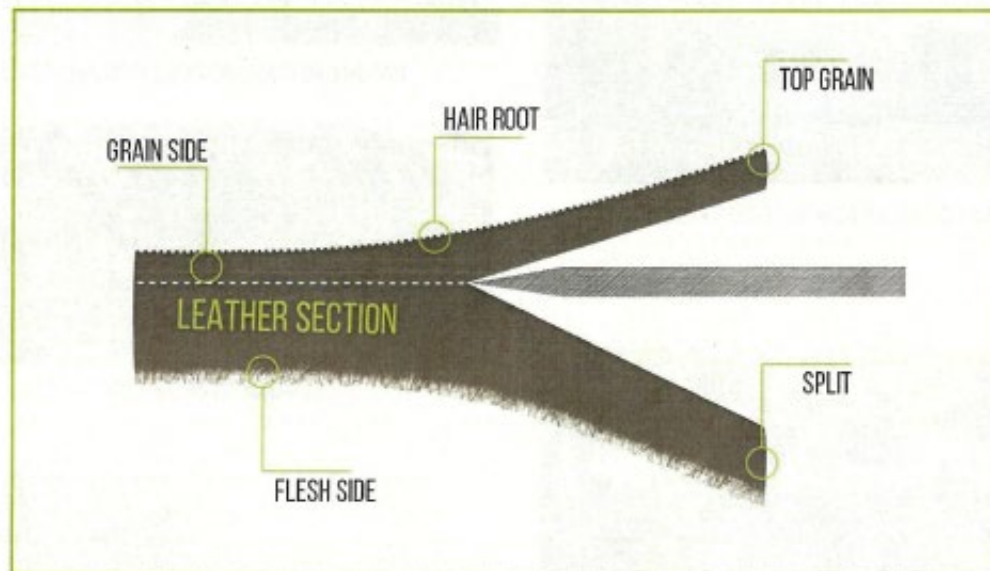
GETTING TO KNOW THE LEATHER WITH DANI

The hides used in our tanning process are mainly Bovine (Bulls and Cows). Cervo (deer) is produced on North American **deer** hides.

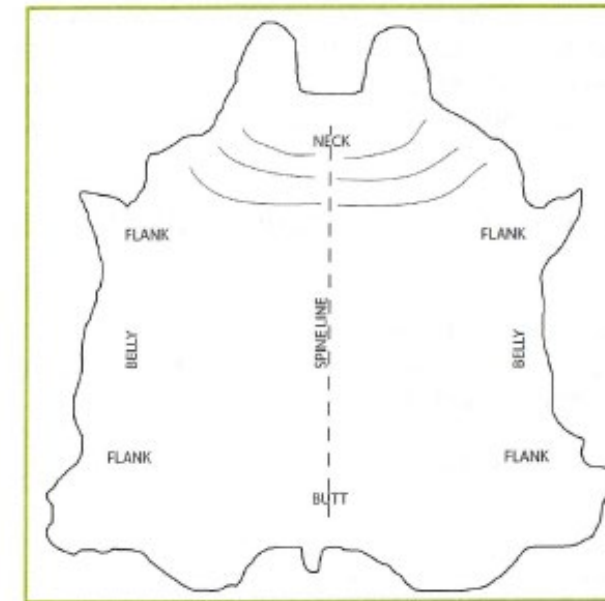
The **bovine** leather comes from European slaughterhouses (all processed hides are a by-product of the food industry).

Variations in the leather depends on a variety factors such as: age, nutrition, breeding conditions, external environment - weather, climate, insects, health conditions, gender, breed and so on.

As shown in the illustration below, Dani uses the top grain portion of the hide for our products while the split is used in other industries and for different types of products.

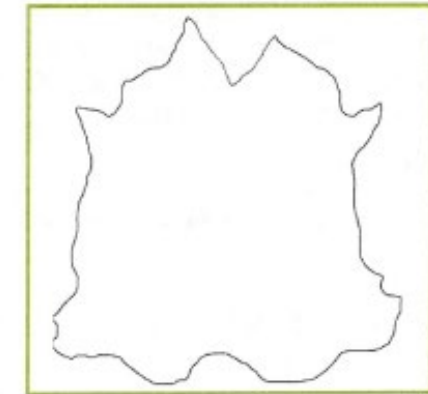


Bovine hide



AVG HIDE SIZE: 5 SQM (55 SQ.FT)

Deer hide



AVG HIDE SIZE: 0.9 SQM

Depending on the article being produced, top grain is divided into two main categories:

- ⇒ **FULL GRAIN:** the grain of the leather remains as it was on the animal. The natural marks and the natural characteristics. For example neck wrinkles, growth marks, bite marks, spine line, but above all you can very clearly see a grain transition from the middle part of the hide to the side of it.
- ⇒ **CORRECTED GRAIN:** grain that has been partially removed by buffing or any similar mechanical treatment, then embossed with a pattern that gives specific grain uniformity throughout the entire hide, and eventually enhanced by a finishing treatment. This type of leather will have a higher cut-ability thanks to the regularity of the grain.

Each hide is **unique** in terms of **size** and **shape**, and this is why average hide sizes vary.

Due to the irregular shape of each hide, the entire area is not usable. Additionally, aniline and semi aniline full grain leather will have very visible neck wrinkles and will show a color variation on the neck wrinkles; the belly and flanks will have a larger grain and the spine line will be visible.

These natural defects will be less visible on corrected grain and pigmented leather and grain variation will be minimal on the flanks/belly and spine/back.

For more information, please contact us.