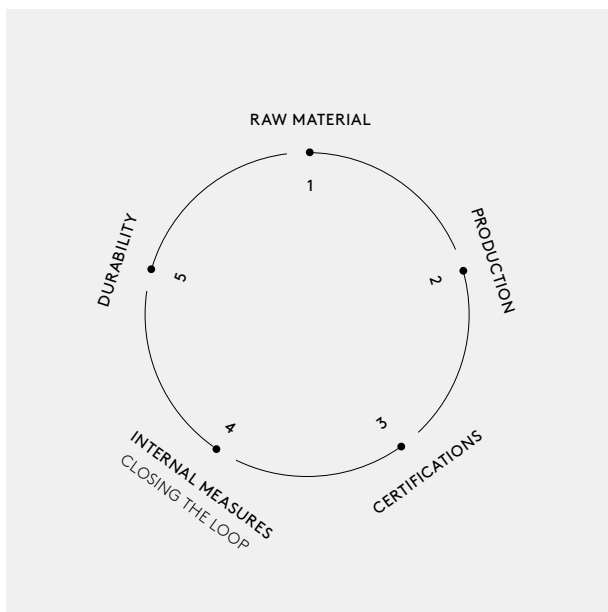


# SØRENSEN LEATHER SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENTS & UN GLOBAL GOALS



At Sørensen Leather, we pride ourselves in being at the forefront of our industry and in tune with the world. We are the source of some of the most high-end, sustainable leather in the world, with over 45 years of experience and expertise. We recognise the importance of our own responsibility towards society and the environment at large. Sustainability is intrinsic to our company, reflected in our initiatives that support the UN Global Goals on Sustainable Development.








Sustainability is a subject close to our hearts. It's a key factor that drives our decisions and ambitions. From our choice of raw material and the professionals we partner with to ensuring the highest quality leather so as to minimise waste. Along with numerous other initiatives that contribute to a circular economy.

Our own goals are aligned with the UN Global Goals on Sustainable Development, known as the Sustainable Development Goals. The SDGs are a universal call to action intended as a "blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all."

Leather, by definition, is a sustainable material upcycled from raw hides. To represent the lifecycle of leather, we have formulated several sustainability statements which reflect our ongoing efforts as an eco-conscious company to help protect the planet. Including priority areas that we find most important, and how our actions support the SDGs that pertain to our business.

We hope you enjoy this overview with our stance on sustainability.

# OUR 5 SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENTS

Priority Areas	SDGs	Sustainability Statements	Our Goals
<b>Raw Material</b> 	12	Raw hides are a natural, circular material that's a by-product of the meat and dairy industry. Through upcycling, they are upgraded into leather.	To create awareness that our leather is a natural by-product from the meat and dairy industry.
<b>Production</b> 	6 12	We outsource all our leather production to external partners, who comply with the highest industry standards to produce the highest quality leather.	To evaluate all our producers according to social and environmental criteria during our annual visits.
<b>Certifications</b> 	6 8 12	We collaborate with independent test institutes and certification authorities to ensure that our producers meet the strict guidelines for sustainable production.	To have as much as 50% of our collections certified by 2025.
<b>Internal Measures</b> 	12	Each hide goes through our extensive quality controls. We recycle leftovers to third parties in keeping with our policy that every hide is used. All internal activities involve the sustainable management of resources.	To achieve zero waste in our internal procedures by 2022.
<b>Durability</b> 	12	By definition, leather is a sustainable material because it is durable and long lasting. A natural, upcyclable material that increases in appeal as it ages with grace.	To ensure high quality, sustainable leather that is long lasting, which minimises waste and supports a circular economy by staying in the circular loop.

## SDGs – UN GLOBAL GOALS



**SDG 6**  
Clean Water and Sanitation



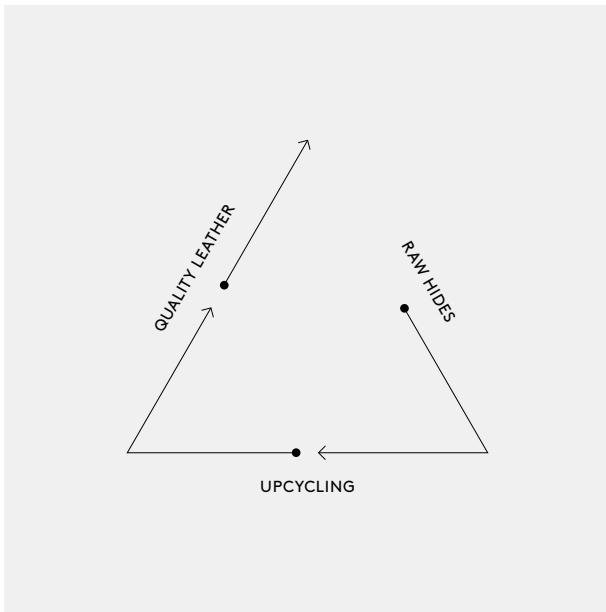
**SDG 8**  
Decent Work and Economic Growth



**SDG 12**  
Responsible Consumption and Production

# 1.

## RAW MATERIAL



### Statement

Raw hides are a natural, circular material that's a by-product of the meat and dairy industry. Through upcycling, they are upgraded into leather

### Description

Raw hides are a natural, circular material that's a by-product of the meat and dairy industry. Through upcycling, they are upgraded into high quality leather for further use. In doing so, waste is reduced through recycling and reusing. If raw hides weren't transformed into leather, they would have to be disposed of by burying or burning, which would have a negative impact on the environment.

### Our Goal

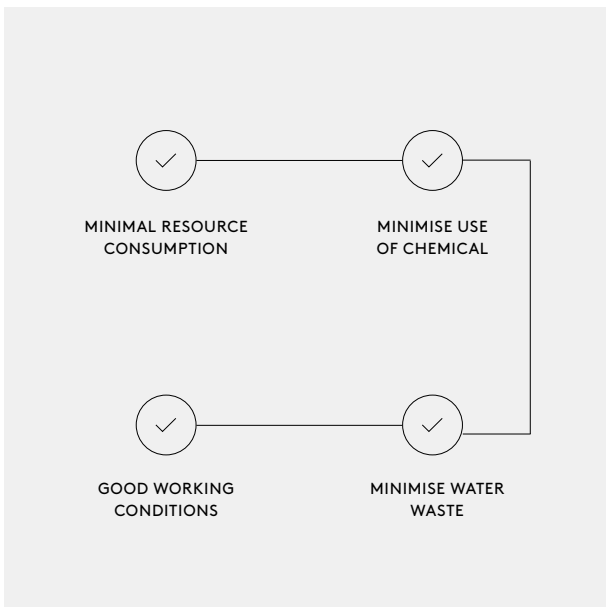
To create awareness that our leather is a natural by-product from the meat and dairy industry.

### SDG 12

Leather is a circular material that supports a circular economy. By upcycling raw hides into high quality leather through the responsible production processes we outsource, we reduce waste and contribute to the sustainable management of natural resources.

# 2.

## PRODUCTION



### Statement

We outsource all our leather production to external partners, who comply with the highest industry standards to produce the highest quality leather.

### Description

Our European production partners, as well as our producers that sell to companies in Europe, are obliged to comply with the stringent requirements set forth by EU legislation. Industry regulations to minimise waste, the use of chemicals, water, energy and resource consumption, in addition to ensuring good working conditions, animal welfare and more. We only partner with professionals who adhere to the strict standards governing animal welfare. Because the quality of the life they lead is also reflected in the quality of their hide.

### Our Goal

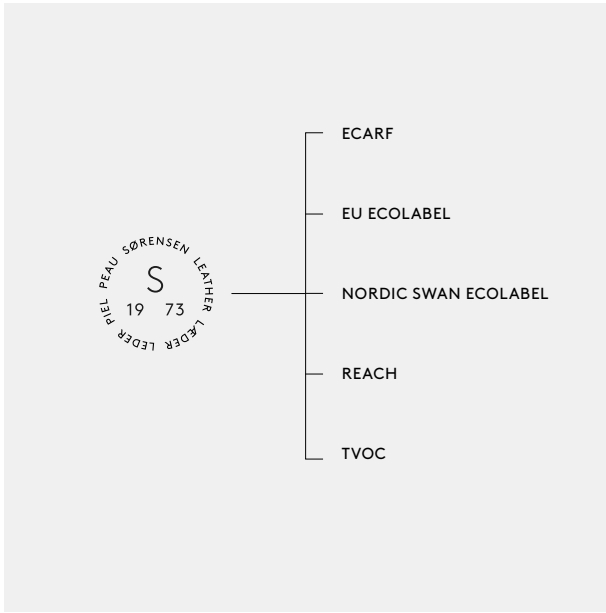
To evaluate all our producers according to social and environmental criteria during our annual visits.

### SDGs 6 & 12

To minimise any impact on human health and the environment by choosing production partners who ensure that our leather is properly produced in compliance with industry standards. Reducing chemical emissions to air, water and soil, while at the same time, increasing the safe recycling of wastewater and ensuring good working conditions.

### 3.

## CERTIFICATIONS



#### Statement

We collaborate with independent test institutes and certification authorities to ensure that our producers meet the strict guidelines for sustainable production.

#### Description

Sørensen Leather features collections that have been awarded a variety of industry certifications. We collaborate with diverse, independent test institutes and certification authorities to ensure that our producers meet their strict guidelines for sustainable production. Different certifications focus on different criteria to fulfil, from specific phases of production to sustainable practices to every link in the lifecycle of leather.

#### Our Goal

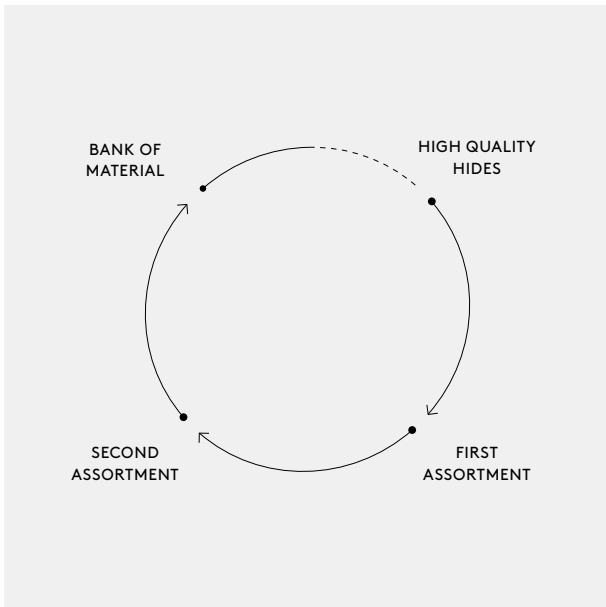
To have as much as 50% of our collections certified by 2025.

#### SDGs 6, 8 & 12

As a consumer, you are assured that our leather is produced with a minimal use of chemicals and water waste. That our production partners promote a safe and stable working environment. And that any emissions to air, water and soil are substantially reduced to minimise any adverse effect on human health and the environment.

### 4.

## INTERNAL MEASURES



#### Statement

Each hide goes through our extensive quality controls. We recycle leftovers to third parties in keeping with our policy that every hide is used. All internal activities involve the sustainable management of resources.

#### Description

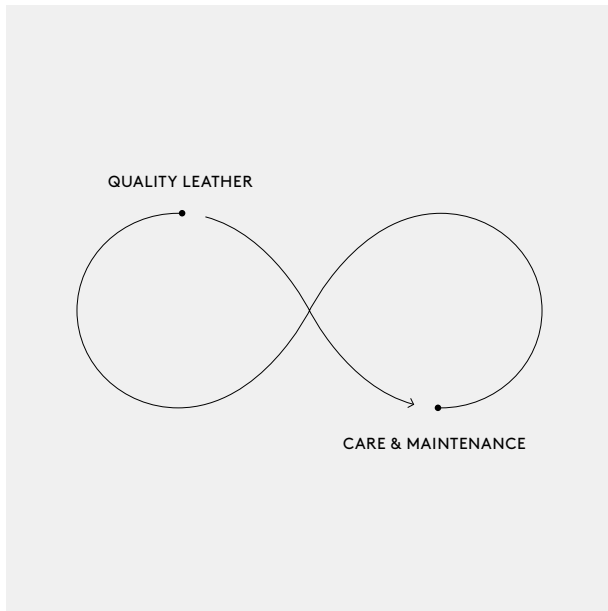
Each hide must go through our extensive quality controls, where we assess, evaluate and select our leather. Hides that don't meet our high standards are sold as second assortment to third parties. We also use them in the production of marketing materials. Additionally, we sponsor Bank of Materials (BOM) with leather remnants, which are used for educational purposes. Consequently, every single piece of leather from us is used, thus minimising any leather waste. Furthermore, we have an array of other procedures in place that involve recycling, reducing waste and responsibly managing resources.

#### Our Goal

To achieve zero waste in our internal procedures by 2022.

#### SDG 12

The rigorous quality checks of all our hides involves the efficient management and consumption of natural resources. It is also our policy to ensure that all hides are used, which minimises any leather waste, whether for high-end furniture, design concepts, interiors and accessories or as material for educational institutions and sponsorships. We call it closing the loop with Sørensen Leather.

**Statement**

By definition, leather is a sustainable material because it is durable and long lasting. A natural, upcyclable material that increases in appeal as it ages with grace.

**Description**

Leather is one of the most durable, natural materials used for furniture, product design and other creative sectors. High-quality, high-end leather can last for generations. Proper care and maintenance will help keep the attributes of each leather intact, prolonging the durability of leather even more. A material that's also appreciated for growing old with grace.

**Our Goal**

To ensure high quality, sustainable leather that is long lasting, which minimises waste and supports a circular economy by staying in the circular loop.

**SDG 12**

We are the exclusive source of some of the most high-end, sustainable leather in the world. Our leather is high quality, durable and suitable for generations to come, thus minimising any waste generation through prevention. By providing a more durable product to begin with, we also reduce the use of natural resources.

For further details about our Sustainability Statements, you are welcome to contact us at [info@sorensenleather.com](mailto:info@sorensenleather.com)