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We have been using natural leather for 200 years, because nature always produces materials that are more durable and full of character than humans could ever create from plastics.



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## From generations for generations

The Perwanger Leather Tannery was founded in 1780 in the unique and breath-taking Alpine landscape of the Dolomites, which is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The art and craft of tanning has been handed down from father to son for more than five generations and over two hundred years. We have to thank the ingenuity and persistence of the people in the South Tyrol for constantly developing and improving traditional tanning processes to adapt to the challenges of their way of life. The name Perwanger® stands for innovation and long-lasting premium quality in leather production.





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## Out of a love of nature

The careful and sparing use of nature's precious resources comes naturally to mountain dwellers of the impassable Alps, and the Perwanger family are no exception. The smart combination of modern technology and an in-depth knowledge of traditional craftsmanship enables us to produce the unique Perwanger® Leather quality, while minimising the consumption of water and energy. At Perwanger, we are constantly working to build on our expertise to serve people and the environment. The result is innovation born out of a love of nature.





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## A passion for the mountain world

In 1968 Josef Perwanger met Francesco Delladio, founder of the 'La Sportiva' brand. They shared a passion for the mountains and the desire to develop a waterproof mountain boot. Josef Perwanger then managed to produce a leather with water-repellent properties in the early '70s. His son Lorenz developed the special 'Nepal Perwanger' leather, which is also suitable for bonding rubber trims: The modern mountain boot was born.



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## Leather is life

We obtain the raw materials for our Perwanger® Leather from selected and certified suppliers. The high-quality hides come from cattle in the Alpine region which are reared for their meat. No animal dies just for Perwanger® Leather!

The traditional craft of tanning preserves the quality of the valuable skins. We process and refine these resources with loving care to create a natural material for shoes that is unsurpassed in its robust vitality.





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## ‘Made in Italy’ quality

Similar to many legendary leather products, Perwanger® Leather is made in Italy: Every stage of production is supervised by qualified specialists in Italy. We do of course comply with the legal requirements of the EU and the strict environmental standards imposed by Italy. Responsibility for quality goes hand in hand with a social responsibility. At Perwanger, we attach great importance to the quality of the employment and the preservation of traditional craftsmanship. That's why we are committed to thorough training of our employees and high social standards.





Waterproof



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Breathable



Scratch-resistant



Durable





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## Water resistance

We use special molecules in the tanning process that envelop the microfibrils in the skin. This is how Perwanger® Leather becomes naturally 'hydrophobic' or water-repellent, without any protective coating applied to the surface.







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## Breathability

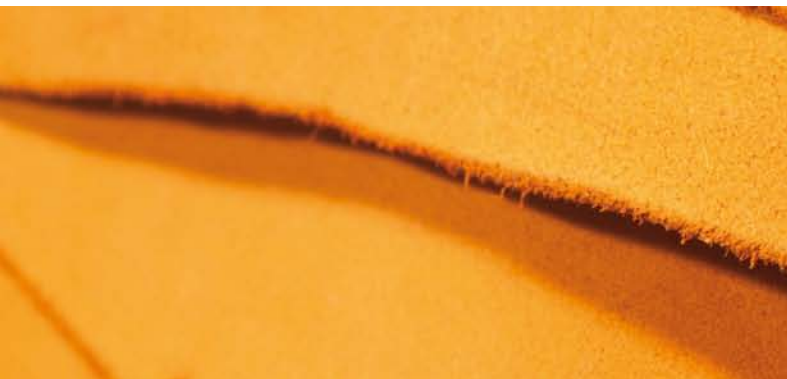
Perwanger® Leather mimics the properties of a natural membrane. Our special tanning process prevents water from penetrating the leather, while also allowing it to breathe.







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## Scratch-resistant

Our tanning processes gives Perwanger® Leather its characteristic surface look and quality. This makes the leather particularly hard-wearing and scratch-resistant, even over rough and rocky terrain. The water-repellent properties, colour and structure of the leather are maintained in the long-term.





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## Durability

The exclusive use of selected raw materials with a dense fibre structure, combined with the special Perwanger tanning process, creates a compact leather structure. This ensures the boots provide extra-special comfort and protection in any weather conditions and are particularly hard-wearing.







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## Use and maintenance 1/2

- » If leather surface is dirty, we suggest to dry brush leather surface off.
- » If leather surface is very dirty, please wet brush with water.
- » Do NOT use any degreasing cleaner or nitro based diluent or similar.
- » NEPAL suede leather comes with a water repellent treatment which usually does NOT need to be renewed. If you desire to use a waterproofer product on NEPAL leather surface, please only use water or silicone based products. Any other kind of product could seriously compromise water repellent properties.





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## Use and maintenance 2/2

- » It is strongly recommended to NOT use on NEPAL suede leather any kind of product which is oil based, animal grease based or similar.
- » It is strongly recommended to NOT use in contact with acid liquids or powders (i.e. hydrated lime).
- » In case the leather is wet, we recommend to let it slowly dry at room temperature, keep it far from heat such as fires, fireplaces, heaters or radiators.







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