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Green Story

Environmental impact and sustainability specifications of Brentano Green fabrics

PRODUCT: Essence - 3952

CONTENTS: 100% Polyurethane Face; 69% Polyurethane, 17% Polyester, 9% Cotton, 5% Rayon

USAGE: Leather alternative, Upholstery, Panel, Eco-fabric, LEED points possible.

- 1. Naturally soft and flexible, polyurethane does not require the plasticizers (DOP) used to soften PVC or chromium used in leather tanning.
- 2. Polyurethane faux leather offers a greener alternative to vinyl (PVC). PVC contains chloride and is not degradable. It leaches toxic additives in landfills and emits carcinogenic dioxin when incinerated.
- 3. Polyurethane faux leather offers a greener alternative to leather. Leather production is a chemical-laden process, including the use of heavy metals.
- 4. General cleaning of polyurethane surfaces often requires only soap and water.
- **5. Essence** is manufactured in facilities that are conscientious of the environment and comply with local environmental ordinances. A variety of policies are in place, such as air and water pollution decrement systems, as well as reduction and reuse of solvents.
- 6. Essence is manufactured in an ISO 14001 certified facility. ISO 14001 creates an Environmental Management System (EMS) to identify and achieve environmental goals. For more information, please visit www.iso.org
- 7. All pigments and chemicals used in the facilities comply with EPA guidelines.



Due to its soft and pliable nature, **Essence** is classified in our "hand" category of eco-friendly faux leathers.