

# why strop?

Regular stropping helps to keep a sharp edge by removing microscopic metal particles and realigns the edge.

Stropping regularly helps to prolong the life of the tools as well giving better cutting results.

## type

Identity Strops are specially tanned in the UK with trivalent chromium sulphate, the same metal used to make green stropping paste.

Use for all standard blades, stitching chisels and edge bevellers. For a swivel knife use our compressed leather strop.

## tools

Using a good cutting mat will keep tools in good condition. For stitching chisels and punches use a 'poundo board'.

Jeweller's rouge is a hard chalk agent that aids stropping.

Check out our range of strops instore or online.

#### how

Place the strop with the nubuck or grain side face up on a flat hard surface.

Pressing down,, holding the blade at a 33 degree angle pull towards you in several firm strokes. Turn the blade or tool and repeat for the other side.

For blunter items use with jeweller's rouge or stropping pastses, rubbed in prior to stropping.

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Identity Leathercraft started life as The Identity Store, founded by Peter and Jackie Laight in 2002 to help people express their identity through the things they make from leather.

The company has grown and with it our collective experience and knowledge of the properties and methods for making and using leather as a craft material. So whatever you would like to make, repair, restore or invent out of leather this is the store for you.

As well as on line you can find us at shows and events around the country, including leather sales and open days at our premises in Matlock, the gateway to the Peak District.

Details of events, workshops, leather sales and open days can be found on the News page of our website, and on our social media. To keep in touch with shows and events you can also subscribe to our newsletter.

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