Our Sustainability Journey



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Ultrafabrics®



Ultrafabrics proudly creates sophisticated fabrics that offer a high-performing and sustainable alternative to animal-based products. Our innovative materials conserve resources while considering the well-being of both people and the planet.

Our Purpose

We believe there is beauty in balance, and you should never compromise on performance, comfort, or sustainability. It's this perspective that has inspired our work since our inception in 1999.



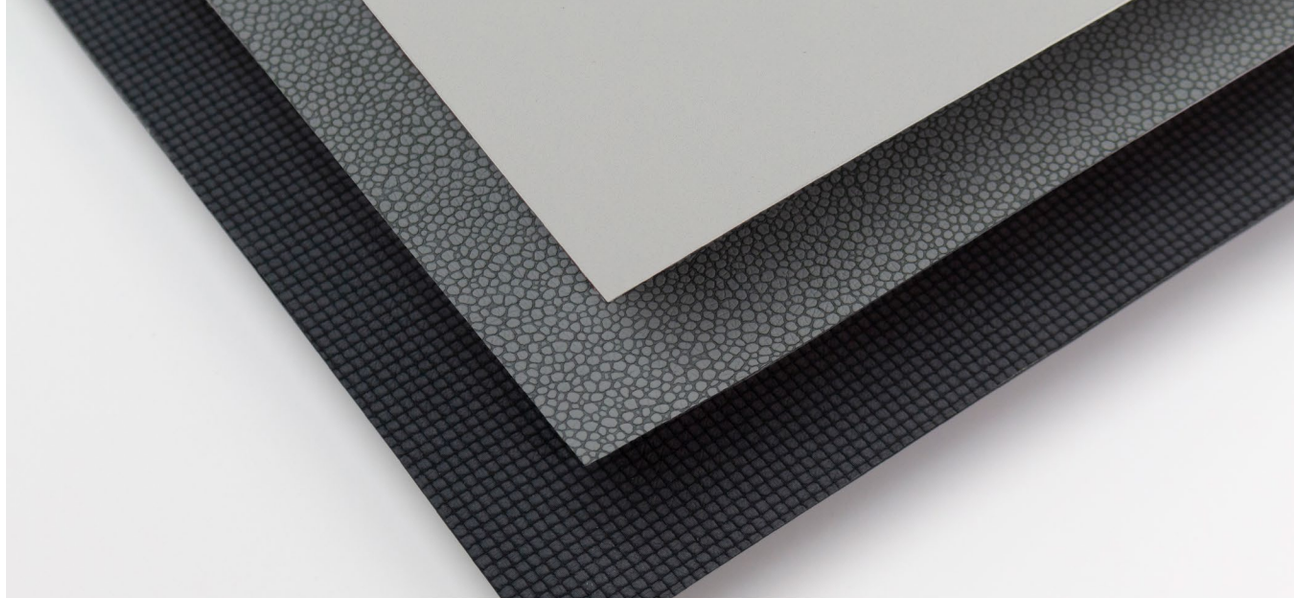


Our Process

Responsibly led, our proprietary manufacturing process, Takumi™ Technology, effectively uses resources to maximize final performance.

01 Japanese mill is ISO 14001 certified
02 Primary materials are locally sourced
03 Recover and recycle 98% of all solvents
04 Reduce energy consumption through heat exhaust and solar panel systems

Our Product

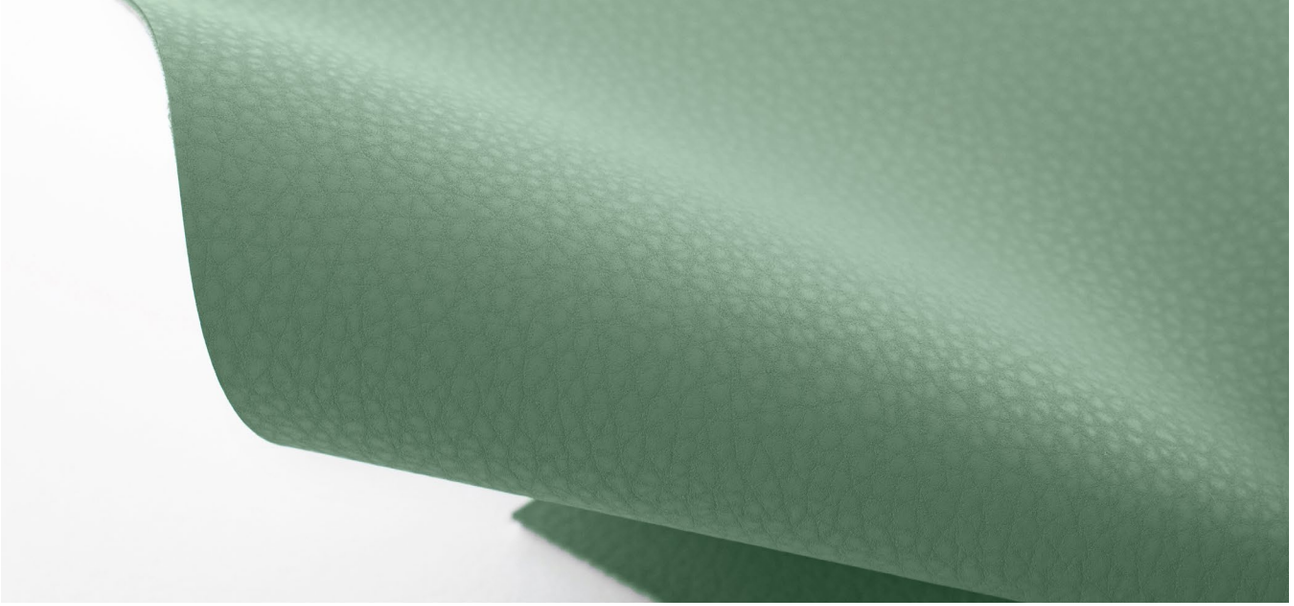


Our materials have low VOCs, supporting healthier indoor air quality, and are always free from:

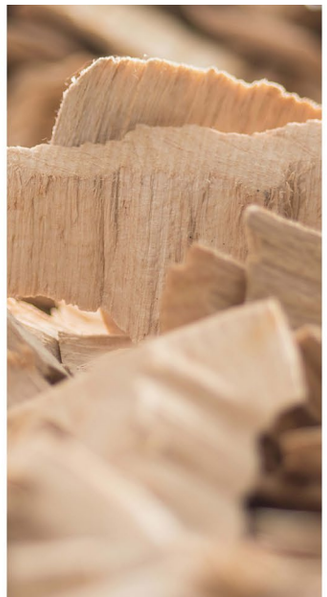
01 Conflict Minerals
02 Heavy Metal Stabilizers
03 Formaldehyde
04 PFOAs (Perfluorooctanoic Acid) / excl. Ultraleather Pro & Reef Pro
05 Plasticizer Phthalates
06 POPs (Persistent Organic Pollutants)
07 PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride)

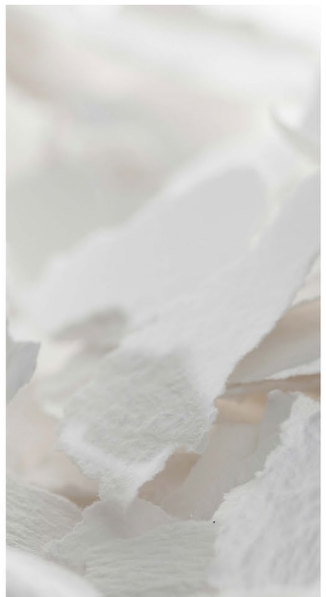
We meet a wide range of certifications and compliances

01 Indoor Advantage Gold Certified
02 REACH Compliant
03 PETA Approved
04 Health Product Declarations Available
05 Included in Mindful Materials Library
06 Select collections comply with Health Care Without Harm's Healthy Interiors Criteria V2.3
07 MindClick Sustainability Assessment Program Achiever











Material Innovation

Our design labs are focused on developing forward-thinking functionalities that challenge expectations. Recent developments include

Volar Bio

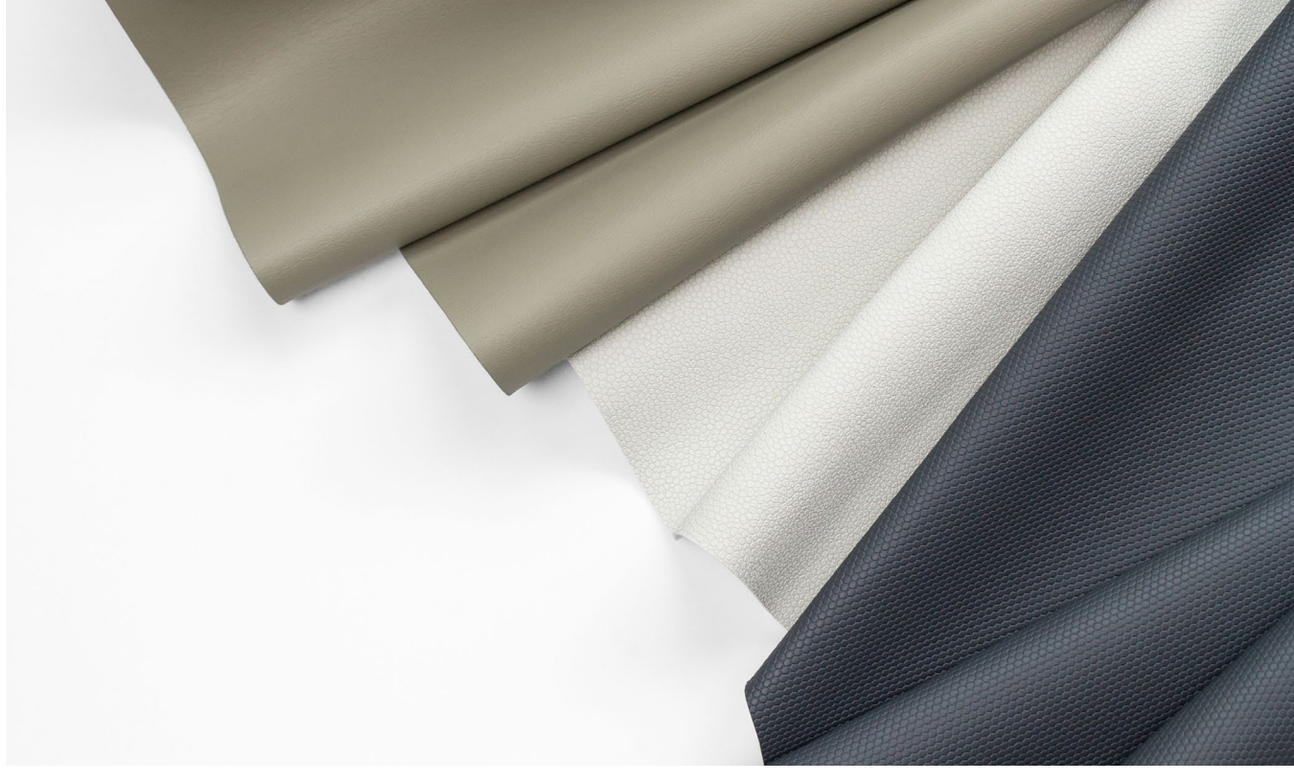
Proudly touting a **29% BioPreferred Program Label**, Volar Bio was created for the designs of tomorrow. Committed to reducing our dependency on finite resources, renewable and plant-based materials are incorporated into the proprietary construction.

TENCEL™ Modal Fibers

Ultrafabrics is the first and only polyurethane material to incorporate **TENCEL™ Modal fibers** in our collections with 100% reinforced rayon backing. Considered a man-made cellulosic, this natural and renewable raw material is manufactured from beech wood and sourced from sustainable forests.

Our Plan

As we adapt and continue our journey towards a sustainable future, we focus on 4 key areas



01 Renewable and Recycled Resources

By 2030, our goal is for 100% of our portfolio to contain at least 50% rapidly renewable or recycled materials.

We are already on our way to achieving this goal through the introduction of Volar Bio and the inclusion of TENCEL™ Modal fibers in 33% of our offering.

02 Waste Reduction and Diversion

We commit to sending 3% or less of yardage produced annually to landfill.

One of the ways we achieve this is through our Mottainai program. Inspired by the Japanese concept of finding the intrinsic value in unwanted materials, we proudly donate to schools and charitable organizations. Since 2018 we have extended the life cycle of over 30,000 yards through diversion.

03 Water Impact

Recognizing that water is a finite resource, we are committed to a 20% reduction in water use by 2025.

This will be achieved through a variety of activities and have already instituted a strict water quality control process as part of our ISO 14001 certification.

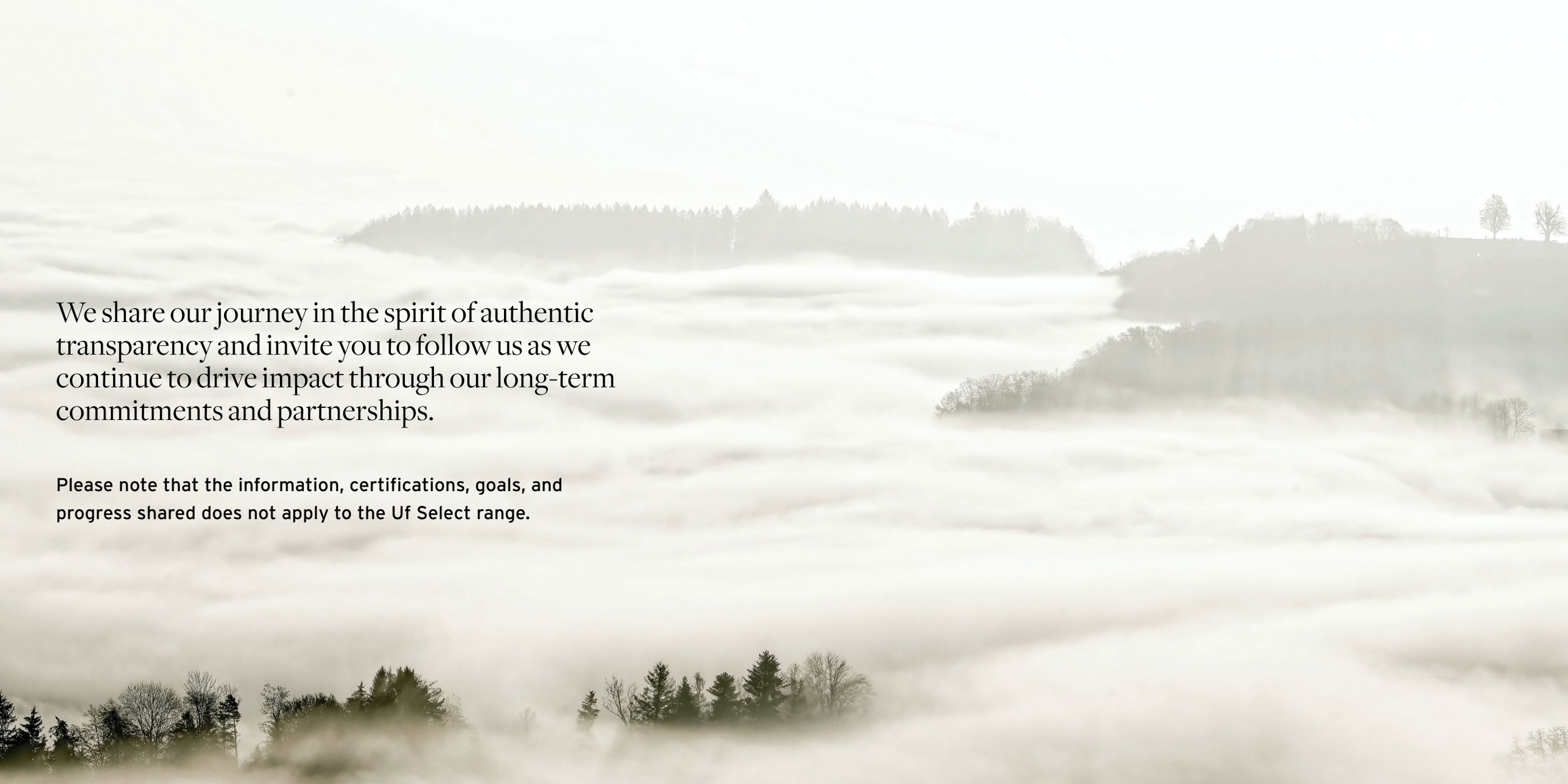
04 Energy Conservation and Climate Impact

We are currently evaluating our pathways for reducing greenhouse gas and strive to set a science-based target by late-2022.

Working together with Treedom, we have planted 600 trees planted across 6 countries. Not only do these trees purify air and capture carbon, but they also contribute to the local biodiversity and economy.



Looking ahead, we are constructing a new mill, where we will invest in new processes and equipment that prioritizes responsible water and energy consumption. Completion of the new facility is expected by late 2024.



We share our journey in the spirit of authentic transparency and invite you to follow us as we continue to drive impact through our long-term commitments and partnerships.

Please note that the information, certifications, goals, and progress shared does not apply to the Uf Select range.

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