



Boone's Lick Road Leather Company



RUSTIC STROP SPECS

Strop is made of rough out suede, full grain steer hides, brass tubular rivets and a versatile HK style snap hook. Mounting hardware not included.

RUSTIC STROP BASICS

Adding a strop as the final step in your knife sharpening routine has many benefits. Barbers traditionally used these to remove microscopic burrs that would otherwise cause nicks, this also adds a slight/final degree of sharpness. When a sharp knife starts to lose its "just sharpened" edge a few swipes on the strop can bring it back to that previous level. It will not rejuvenate or sharpen a dull knife; it is part of a process not the entire solution.

SAFETY AND OPERATION

Always have the strop securely fastened to a stationary object. Control your movements and the knife in a safe manner.

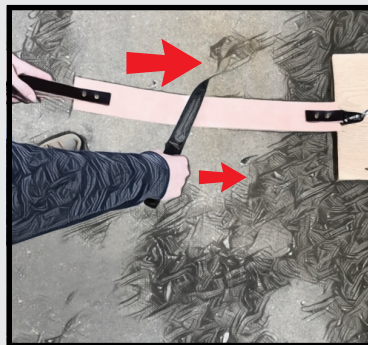


Never run or push the blade edge forward into the leather, always face blade edge away from direction of blade travel. Discontinue use if fasteners loosen or leather is cut.

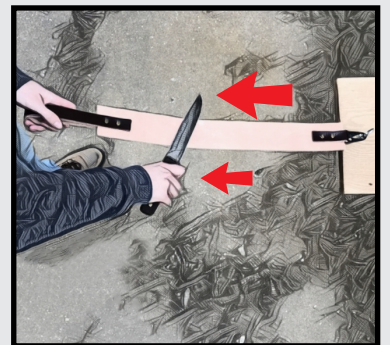


Securely fasten strop to a stationary object. Make sure any anchor points or screw eye/hook you snap or tie it on to is well imbedded in an unmovable object. A 1/4" diameter eye bolt or eye screw of sufficient length to pass thru or embed deeply and safely into a firm surface is necessary.

Start with blade edge facing you at an angle that will engage the cutting edge and lightly push away while grasping the loop and keeping moderate tension on strop.



For the return face edge away from you and lightly pull the knife toward you.



ADDITIONAL DIRECTIONS

Keep all swipes even in number and pressure, working the entire edge. A few swipes are all that is needed.

Lay the strop on a flat, hard surface, lightly apply compound (much like you were vigorously shading with a crayon). Only coat the rough abrasive side-utilize the soft flesh side as is for final polishing.

STORAGE DO'S AND DON'TS

- Do not strop a dirty knife. Dirt, plant, or animal matter on the blade will permeate into the leather and cause mold.
- For storage avoid excessively damp or dry areas. Leather likes the same indoor climate you do.