

## Couch Repair Plan

Before you begin the couch repair project, there are a few things that you need to bear in mind:

1. The color of your seat looks like a stone grey color and it will take a lot of practice to match the color exactly. Take as much time as you can to practice mixing the colors and please watch the color mixing video that was send in the instruction guide in the first and second email that I send you through Amazon
2. You will need to get a paint sponge (a kitchen sponge will work) and Wet & Dry Sandpaper 600 or 800 grade to help you with this project, we haven't included it in the pack but we will be adding it in the future. Please make sure you only use 600 or 800 grade otherwise you will make the damage worse

### **Step 1**

First we would recommend you clean the entire repair section with alcohol wipes, if you run out then use an alcohol cleaner to take off any dirt, dust and protective coating on the seat. It is really important that you give the seat a super good clean.



### **Step 2**

Next, using a scissors, cut away any loose bits of leather to remove any impurities. Make sure all rough bits are removed and use sandpaper on the patch and around the worn edges to rid the patch of anything that could stop the paint from applying directly to the surface.

### **Step 3**

Once you are happy that the surface is level and there are no bits of leather sticking out it's time to apply a thin layer of adhesive filler so that you can level off the surface. Generously apply the filler and level off so that it isn't bumpy and let it dry. You can use a hairdryer to speed up the process. Apply as many layers of the filler as you feel you require. Don't worry if you put too much because you can sand it down later. Please ensure that you apply the filler a little over and around the edges so it sticks down the leather worn edges.

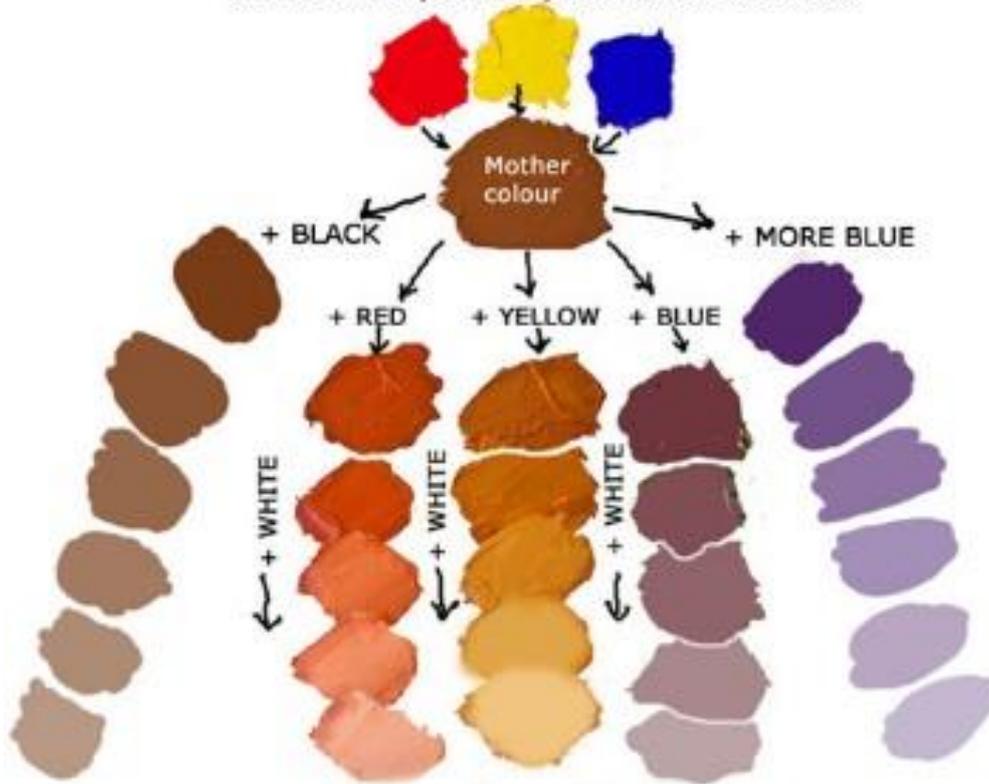
### **Step 4**

Mixing the colors. The trickiest part. Once you have watched the color mixing video, we recommend that you follow this as a guide because it should help you get close to the grey color of your seat:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dhLq1M13TUE> – Color Mixing Video Link

## MIXING SUBTLE COLOUR RANGES FROM PRIMARY COLOURS

Start with red, yellow and blue only. Mix them together to form a neutral "Mother Colour". Use twice as much yellow as you do of the red & blue.



GREENS ARE EASY TO GET - JUST MIX BLUE & YELLOW TOGETHER  
AND ADD A LITTLE RED TO MAKE INTO OLIVE GREENS.

### Step 5

Using a paint sponge (a kitchen sponge will work). Apply the paint to your couch and to the areas that need repairing, generously dab on the paint and spread out the paint out as much as possible. Ensure that you cover the entire damaged area. Make sure to rub in the paint so that there are no drips, if you do end up with any drips or lumpy bits, when the paint has dried, you can sand down any lumpy bits to smoothen them out.

### Step 6



Choose the correct grain paper from within the leather kit so that you can match the leather grain on your seat to the area that you are attempting to repair. **You will use this when you are on your last coat of paint.**

## **Step 7**

Wait for the paint to dry or use a hairdryer to speed up the drying process. Once dry, keep applying paint until you are happy that the patch has been restored to the right color. When you have applied your last coat of paint, you need to apply the grain paper to the painted part of the seat that you have repaired as it has no grain. Apply the grain paper by holding it face down on to the repaired area and keep holding it in place for around 10-20 seconds. If possible, try and tape the grain paper down so that it doesn't move.

## **And Finally**

Once dry, your repair and restore should be complete. Your seat may end up being a slightly different shade of color than they were originally but as they dry out completely, it is possible that the color can lighten up.

The paint can dry a matte color (not shiny) and this is due this paint not having been polished (like the rest of the seat). It is really important that you apply a leather sealer/waterproofing or a Leather Gloss to the seat once you are finished and you are happy. If you don't do this, the paint is likely to run if it becomes wet as it doesn't have any protection. There are a lot of leather sealers available on Amazon and they are reasonably priced. This will also give the seat a nice shiny polished look. We don't currently have a leather conditioner but we are working on adding one to our range, if you would like us to recommend one to you, please drop us a message.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

We found a video on YouTube that is very similar to the repair that you will be doing and follows pretty much the same steps, I think you would find it beneficial to watch before you start your repair:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lqhB7m4FszA>