



BREAKING IN YOUR NEW PULPO BASEBALL GLOVE

Don't Fear The Stiffness!

Baseball gloves are made from a variety of leathers, but most can be separated into four major categories: full grain, kip (or kipskin), premium steerhide, and cowhide. Leather type affects the look, feel, durability break-in time, and price of your glove.

Pulpo Gloves uses only Premium Grade-A full-grain leather on which the natural grain remains. Pro Stock Premium leather is chosen for its consistency and flawlessness, meaning you get a glove that holds its perfect shape longer. This causes the glove to be stiffer than other leather gloves, which means you have to spend more time breaking it in. It's worth the extra work however: Once broken in, full grain leather gloves are superior in both performance and durability.

The Break in Process:

As you go to work on your new baseball glove, just remember that it will take time to break it in.

People love to offer different ways to speed up the process, but those methods can often do more harm than good. The best way to break in a glove is by catching balls with it. Every other method comes with risks and downsides and should be avoided if possible.

If you need to speed things, catching balls thrown by a pitching machine can be a good way to expedite the process.

When it comes to taking care of your glove, use only professional grade conditioners such as Wilson Pro Stock Glove Conditioner. Please use in moderation, a little goes a long way. In general, you'll only need to apply a light coating and rub it in gently with a clean cloth.

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Do:

Step 1: Position the glove with the back fingers facing your chest and pointing up. Grasp it by the thumb and pinky and squeeze, rocking it to each side back-and-forth. This makes the heel pad softer.



Step 2: Take the glove by the top of the pinky and thumb and pull the glove from each side to stretch it out. The finger tops and web lace will stretch but will slightly return to its original state.



Step 3: Open the glove and, using a mallet, begin to form your pocket. Consider what position you play and whether you prefer a deep or shallow pocket before beginning this process. Form the pocket where you want to be catching the ball.



Step 4: Close your glove and begin pounding it with your mallet on the thumb side around the home plate logo, shifting the glove back and forth as your pounding it. Then, flip your glove and fold the pinkie side and pound from the back.

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This will help establish your break points so it's easier to open and close the glove.



Repeat steps 1 through 4 until your glove begins to become easier to squeeze with YOUR hand.

Go play a lot of catch or catch baseballs from a pitching machine until the glove molds to your hand. You're now game ready!

To keep the shape of your glove, place it palm facing down with pinky and thumb spread apart.

Don't:

Place your glove inside a stove/steamer or microwave oven to soften the leather, this will not only damage the leather but also is a potentially dangerous practice.

Leave you glove a hot car. It will do the same damage as above that no glove conditioner can fix.

Put your glove under your mattress. When a glove is broken in the right way, you hardly need to squeeze it to catch the ball, because the force of the ball hitting the pocket will pull the glove into a closed position almost on its own. But if you create a crease in the heel, you'll end up with a floppy mitt that you have to actively squeeze in order to keep the ball from falling out.

When you glove gets wet from sweat or playing in wet conditions, do not put your glove right back into your ballbag. Instead, let it sit out and air dry naturally. Not in the sun either. Clip it onto the outside of your bag and when you get home, stand it up on its fingers and let it air dry inside your home.

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