

Leather Species Identification

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This training day is aimed at leather conservators and other museum and library professionals who wish to develop an understanding of species identification. It provides an overview of historic tanning and a practical guide to the identification of animal species commonly used in leather. The training day is led by Yvette Fletcher ACR, Head of Conservation, The Leather Conservation Centre, Northampton

Programme

09.45	Registration
10.00	Welcome and introductions
10.15	Introduction to tanning
11.15	Break
11.45	A look at different leathers and tannages
12.45	Lunch
13.45	Powerpoint presentation on species id
14.00	Microscopic examination of common species
15.00	Continuation of microscopic examination including more unusual species
15.45	Discussion
16.00	End