Kangaroo naked or kangaroo with .025 paste?

Posted by Scott Sherman - 18 Oct 2012 13:20

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So in my quest for perfection, I was wondering if the highest possible step for a mirror polish and super sharp push sharp blade is to go from micro fine to cow leather at 5 micron, 3.5 micron, 1 micron, then .5 micron ***THEN*** to Kangaroo naked or kangaroo with .25 micron paste? The kangaroo comes with two sides of kangaroo so adding the paste would be a minimal expense, but do you really get much difference using the .025 paste from just going from .5 to naked kangaroo?

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Re: Kangaroo naked or kangaroo with .025 paste?

Posted by PhilipPasteur - 18 Oct 2012 19:15

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My thought is that the kangaroo by itself will likely not do much at all. The whole idea of the 'Roo is to provide a substrate that **DOES NOT** contribute to the process, but that lets the abrasive do its work on its own. In theory, this is exactly what you want in a substrate for stropping.

It would be great to see some micrographs of what is going on, but I would bet you could strop for a long time with simply 'Roo and not do much at all.

Maybe try some 0.125 or 0.1 micron spray on the other side... that is my approach. I use the 0.050 and 0.025 micron Diamond spray on nanocloth which reportedly contributes even less to the process than the 'Roo.

Phil

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