

Animal Welfare Policy

By Malene Birger believes that all living creatures should be treated with respect and dignity.

Animal welfare is important to us, and no animals should be harmed in the making of our products.

We support the Five Freedoms recommendations on animal welfare set out by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE). All animal products used in our garments must come with a certificate of origin.

By Malene Birger promotes animal welfare through the following policies. These should be seen as a minimum standard.

Leather & Exotic skins

- We only work with fur & leather that is the byproduct of the food industry
- No animal may be skinned or plucked alive
- We never use materials sourced from endangered animals or flora.
- We don't accept materials sourced from animals listed on the CITES (Convention on International Trade in endangered Species of wild fauna and flora) or the IUCN (International Union for conservation of nature)

Fur

- We do not use fur or skin from animals that have been raised only for that purpose such as fox, mink, raccoon, sable, wolf, and exotic skins.
- We only work with fur that is a byproduct of meat production.
- No animal may be skinned alive
- We do not accept angora rabbit fur

Down & Feathers

- We do not accept feathers or down plucked from living birds or from farms practicing live-plucking
- We only accept down and feathers from birds bred for meat production
- All down and feathers are RDS certified