

PROPER MAINTENANCE OF UPHOLSTERY PIECES

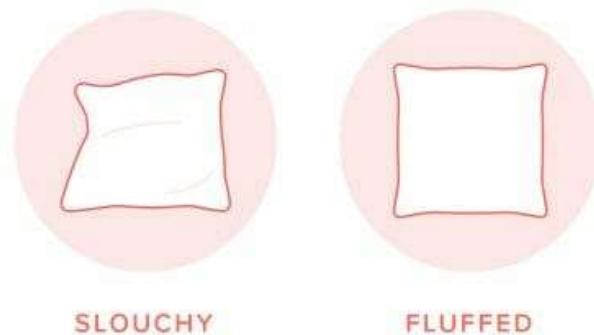
HOW TO FLUFF PILLOWS & CUSHIONS

Over time, your sofa, chair, or sectional might start looking a little drab. You can learn how to fluff seat cushions, back pillows and arm pillows by the following instructions.

THE NECESSITY OF FLUFFING.

The materials used in most soft furniture padding, such as foam, and polyester filling (otherwise known as “fiber fill”), naturally change shape over time. You might notice that your favorite spot on the sofa has a bit of a dip or indent on your preferred location. Your armchair’s back cushion might be caving in. Whatever the case, it is normal to see this kind of shape shifting with regular use.

WHEN TO FLUFF



Regular maintenance and fluffing can also help extend the lifetime of your sofa. By helping the filling disperse evenly, all areas of the cushions receive equal wear. The extra body and thickness give the frame of your sofa additional protection from rubbing and wear. Remember: a plump cushion is a stronger cushion. You will notice a big change in the support you are getting from the back cushions.

DIFFERENT FLUFF. DIFFERENT NEEDS.

Various **sectional sofas** and armchair designs have different fluffing needs. It is important to think about how much time you are willing to dedicate to fluffing your cushions before you purchase a piece of furniture.

Because of their extraordinary softness, Comfort Cloud cushions will require more regular fluffing than standard fiber filling. If you know that you are not going to stick to a good fluffing schedule, it is better to invest in a firmer cushion.

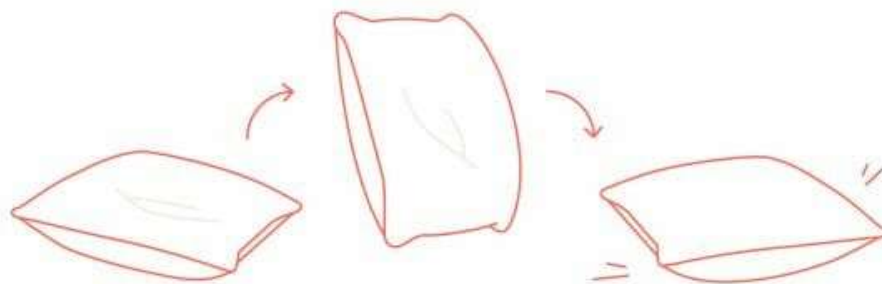
HOW TO FLUFF.

When it comes to Comfort Cloud, foam, and poly fill pillows, the first thing you want to do is remove all the cushions from the sofa or armchair. Place these in a clean spot. Once these are off, take this opportunity to vacuum out all those crevices.

FLIP IT AND REVERSE IT.

Once you have given your couch or armchair a quick vacuum, flip and rotate the cushions. We recommend **flipping and rotating your pillows about once a week**. The goal here is to switch up the sitting ‘hot spots.’

FLIPPING PILLOWS



Now it is finally time to fluff. Start by finding a midpoint on each cushion’s side. Start pushing in and hitting the sides quickly and with some gusto. Once you have done the sides, move onto the rest of the pillow in a bottom to top movement. Hit and punch it with some force to make sure the filling is being dispersed and fluffed up.

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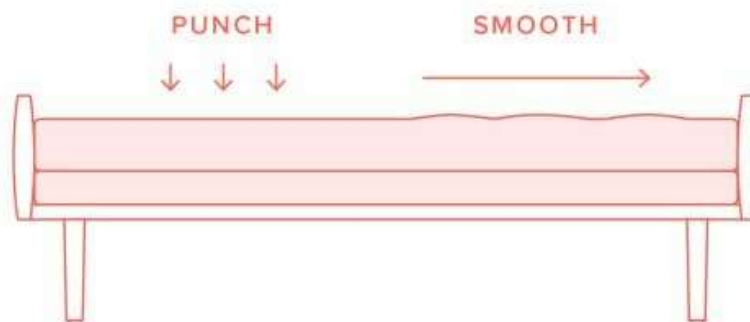
BENCH SEAT OR OTTOMAN MANIPULATION.

The techniques above work well for removable cushions, but some benches and ottomans have solid and sewn-in seats.

You can still apply the punching method for these pieces; it'll just look a little different. To start, simply punch and bang at the seat. Move from one end of the piece to the other end to ensure a uniform result.

Once you have sufficiently punched, find the center of the seat. With your palm down, smooth the fabric from the center point to the edges.

BENCH SEATS



FLUFFING DO'S AND DON'TS

With all the shaking, punching, and karate chopping, it is easy to get carried away when figuring out how to fluff pillows. To make sure you are doing what is best for your cushions, we have summed up our tips.

Do:

- **Flip and rotate.** The first step in making your pillows look their best is with regular rotations and flipping.
- **Smack, punch, and hit.** Get all your frustrations out. Pillows love a good game of rough and tumble.
- **Evenly distribute your fluffing.** Make sure you are not hitting one area of the cushion and forgetting about the other side. All sides are equal.
- **Give equal attention to throw pillows.** Finish off your refreshed look by fluffing and puffing up your throw pillows. Karate chop leave them smooth or mix and match.

Don't:

- **Open-up any tight-fitting zippers.** It is often said that you should unzip and open the cushions to 'let them breathe.' This works for softer cushions, but we do not recommend opening any zippers on tight-fitting cushions as it can be very difficult to get the filling back in without busting a zipper or seam.

Use any sharp objects. Make sure you are not wearing any jewelry while fluffing your pillows. Keep keys, pocketknives, pens, or other sharp objects out of the cushion fluffing vicinity. It is also a good idea to keep long and pointy fingernails away from your pillow fluffing.