



Commonly known Natural fabrics include Silk and Wools (alpaca, cashmere merino, etc)

- **Hemp** - reportedly grows 250% faster than cotton, roots anchor & hold soil preventing runoff, building and preserving the subsoil structure.

- **Linen** - fibers made from flax, making it natural & biodegradable. Takes 3/4 less pesticides than cotton.

- **Modal** - made from renewable raw beechwood and fully biodegradable.

- **Milk** Fiber clothes made from milk protein fiber are nourishing, making the skin more smooth and healthy. The milk protein fiber feature breathes nicely.

- **Tencel (Lyocell)** - Cellulose fiber made from wood pulp and with a non-toxic solvent that is 99% recyclable. It's "closed loop" or direct solvent processing is friendly to environment.

- **Seacell** - has fabulous shine and antioxidant properties, and is made the same way as Lyocell with the closed loop process.

- **Soybean** - is a protein fiber, has high luster and excellent drape. It's a low shrinkage fiber with natural anti-crease resistant properties. Also has been noted to be moisturizing to the skin.

- **Bamboo** - made from fast growing bamboo that helps reduce carbon dioxide gases. Is a natural fiber that's naturally anti-bacterial, breathes better than cotton, and wicks away moisture, excellent for warm weather.

- **Organic Leather** - Not a *certification* level of organic but means that hides are from animals that are organically fed and humanely raised. Tanning process uses plant tannins, vegetable tannins, or smoke to cure the leather rather than chemical. This means no toxicity from the run off at the tanning facilities.

- **Organic Cotton** - grown in pesticide free fields. *Conventional cotton is 2nd most heavily sprayed crop in the world next to coffee which by the way is available in Organic brands. - A quarter to half pound of pesticides are sprayed on average Tshirt. Pesticides contain chloride compounds, which become a dioxin when airborne,...a cancer causing carcinogen. these agents can affect the lungs of everyone from field workers to consumers of finished product. Cotton is currently the only certifiable fiber in the yarn market to be "organic" because other fibers do not take nearly as many pesticides when conventionally grown. See "Why Organic" Download