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Subject: tuck and roll

Posted by [Billyerock](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 09:58:30 GMT

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Does any one know where to purchase the Tuck and roll Vinyl material .. my company restores vintage amps fender, Marshal, and vox back to its original design ... I have quite a few Kustom amps that I would like to totally restore ... I realize some people don't like the Idea of doing this, but there are those who do ... and I would like to restore these amps back to their original state

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [stevem](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 10:11:53 GMT

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Garys upholstery supplys, its under the Zodiac listings on the site.

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [Billyerock](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 12:03:24 GMT

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I have that information thanks ... it looks like they don't do the pleated roll that kustom used back then ... I'm looking for a company that sells it both ways just the flat material and the pleated in the zodiac colors or a company that will make the pleats ... I have searched the web and I have found a manufacturer that have pleated naugahyde but its just not the same...

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [stevem](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 12:05:31 GMT

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You'll not find a company that offers it already pleted, though that would be a great thing!

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [chicagobill](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 16:08:39 GMT

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Kustom did their own sewing of the pleats in the factory. If you look at the photo section, you'll see the women hard at work at their sewing machines.

Maybe you could find a custom auto upholstery shop in your area that can sew the pleats for you.

I always wondered if there was enough interest in having pre-pleated kits made up to make it economically feasible. Then all one would need to recover a cab, would be a staple gun.

Even though the Zodiac material is still available, I've never found a source for the basic black that Kustom used.

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [steven](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 16:20:51 GMT

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Many moon`s ago I thought it would be a good company to start in regards to supplying The Kustom community with staple ready T&C covering.

I asked a good guitar playing long time friend of mine who has done upholstery for 35 years to start up such compnay with me and without having to think about it he said that unless you could kick it off in a big way( as in full on factory size) it would not pay.

The work involed is very time consuming!

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Subject: Re: tuck and roll

Posted by [pleat](#) on Mon, 03 May 2010 16:32:03 GMT

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Chicagobill, I was the one who took the photo that's on the site.

I was amazed at all the ladies sewing the covering and foam together in long rolls. The real issue is getting the foam. Kustom used a V cut foam at 2" spacings during the K200A and newer models. The foam was a flat foam with the V cut. If you look at the older Frankie series the T&R was a thicker and more rounded look. When they changed to the V foam the T&R wasn't as pronounced as the earlier series.

My bass player had a custom car shop re do a 2x15 cabinet for him. It looks good until you count the number of T&R. The 2x15 cab has 12 across the top and his turned out to have 13. Even though the T&R was cut for 2". A real art of sewing and the people who applied the material would have to stretch it along with stapling it. I talked with a former employee last June at our convention and she said she would come home with hands aching from stretching, and then do it again the next day. She was an employee from the beginning to well after Kustom move in the late 70's early 80's.

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