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WESTERN HORSEMAN HAS GATHERED A COLLECTION OF ITEMS MADE IN THE UNITED STATES TO HELP YOU ENJOY YOUR HORSES.



If purchasing USA-made products is important to you, you're not alone. But how can you determine if a commodity is made in the United States? Here are a few ways to determine the country of origin according to the Federal Trade Commission website ftc.gov.

Some products must disclose if they're made in the USA. Among those are automobiles and textile, wool and fur products. Other products are not required to have a Made in USA label, but if a company makes this claim, the products must comply with the Federal Trade Commission's Made in USA policy.

A company can say "Made in USA" or "Our products are American-made" in advertising, as well as include "USA", U.S. flags or the outline of the country to indicate if a product is made in the U.S. A company doesn't need approval from the Commission before making these claims as long as they're truthful and substantiated.

"For a product to be called Made in USA or claim to be of domestic origin without qualifications or limits on the claim, the product

must be all or virtually all made in the U.S.," as stated by the FTC guidelines. "All or virtually all' means that all significant parts and processing that go into the product must be of U.S. origin."

A company can also make a "qualified" Made in USA claim, which describes the extent, amount or type of a product's domestic content or processing. For example: "60 percent U.S. Content," "Made in USA," "U.S. and imported materials," "Saddle assembled in USA from Italian Leather and Mexican rawhide."

TO FIND OUT IF A PRODUCT IS MADE IN THE USA, USE THESE SUGGESTIONS:

- Check the label on clothing
- Examine the packaging for any country of origin info
- Look at company websites or advertising for mentions of "Made in USA"
- Contact a sales rep and ask where a product was made

Silvertip Transition Rope Halter from Weaver

This lightweight rope halter by Weaver Leather features a sliding O-ring that fits under the horse's chin, providing stable control during leading, longeing and groundwork. The halter encourages your horse to move at a steady gait without twisting his head, allowing more precise control and better communication between handler and horse. Hand-tied with pride in the USA. the halter is available in four colors and sizes Price: \$52.79

ridethebrand.com





Reins from Double Diamond Halter Co.

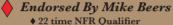
Double Diamond Halter Co. makes a variety of split, roping and adjustable reins made from several types of rope material including waxed nylon, polypropylene, parachute cord, spun Dacron, treeline and polyester/Dacron. Available in several diameters from ½-inch to 1-inch dimensions in round, square and flat configurations and a variety of colors and color patterns. Product shown is #4951

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This is a high quality American-made wool felt pad contoured to provide an anatomically correct fit to keep the saddle in place. The channel down the spine provides pressure relief and allows for airflow. A 1/2-inch Air Ride provides added breathability and shock absorption for your horse's protection and comfort. Available in a traditional felt or fleece bottom, and both roper and barrel sizes. Price: Starts at \$248.95.

profchoice.com



The Rancher Saddle

rides, the Rancher Saddle Pad is designed to be used alone thanks to its super-thick 1 1/8-inch 100 percent wool. Hand-made in the USA, this pad is soft, with no break-in time. It protects your horse from a sore back and is durable for over 2000 hours of riding time. Available in mule and horse contour; leg cutout, cinch cutout and flex fit wither options. Fleece lining available. 5starequine.com





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Gist Silversmiths Personalized Ranch Buckles

Whether you prefer traditional western styling or a contemporary look, you can customize a buckle with your brand or ranch name to reflect your own personal style. Choose your preferred size, shape and components, and let Gist Silvermiths' team of talented craftsmen provide you with a personalized buckle proudly made in America. Custom orders call 530-644-8000. Ready-to-wear available in Gist's online store.

gistsilversmiths.com

Nettles Leveler by Nettles Stirrups

Nettles Stirrups' patented Leveler reduces ankle, knee and hip pain from riding. The Leveler corrects a stirrup's angle, which is the result of twisted stirrup leathers. With your boot flat on the stirrup tread, your body aligns correctly in the saddle, giving you better balance and fewer dropped stirrups. The Leveler is made in America, and is available only for Nettles Stirrups. Price: \$125 per pair.

nettles-stirrups.com



Tippman Boss Hand Stitcher from Tippman Industrial

The Tippmann Boss Hand Stitcher is the original manual sewing machine. Made in Indiana, the Boss can sew up to 34 inches of leather. without needing a cord or outlet. Simply pull the handle and start stitching with accurate and consistent results. Weighs 21 pounds, available in black aluminum casting or a wooden hydro dipped limited-edition. Price: \$999 for the basic, \$1250 for wood grain.

tippmannindustrial.com



Stetson El Patron

Proudly handmade in Garland, Texas, the Stetson El Patron is crafted from 30X fur felt with a matching self-felt hatband and a 3-piece sterling silver JBS buckle accent as a nod to founder John B. Stetson. Featuring a Cattleman crown that's 4 1/4-inch tall. a 4 1/4-inch brim and finished with a satin liner and leather sweatband, this hat is a staple for any wardrobe. Price: \$530

stetson.com



