



HUNTING ON HORSEBACK

Into the mountains with a good horse or mule can help you cover a lot of ground and haul a lot of gear and game.

A favorite rifle and good saddle can make the trip more enjoyable, even in bad weather.

If you ride year round or even just once a year, you will want to make sure your tack is fitting the stock. The last thing you need is a bucking steed blowing up and prancing around on the edge of a mountain cliff because of a sore back.

We give hunting horses and mules a good-sized job, packing us up steep grades and back safely again in all kinds of weather.

It's a different world out there in the mountains with a horse or mule carrying a 180 to 200 pound person and a 45 pound saddle and all of our gear and rifle from the world of show ponies and perfect footing, in arenas, in show classes for just a few minutes per class.

OUR HORSES WORK HARD - SO THEIR EQUIPMENT MUST FIT WELL.

I am a full time rider and I hunt on horseback. I shoot off of a horse's back in cowboy mounted shooting competitions and placed second in the world at a cowboy shooting competition in the year 2000. It is a fast-paced competition using real horses and specially designed ammunition.

If you make a living with any form of dude wrangling, or just want the best performance from your horse, their tack must fit well.

Symptoms can be present without extreme swelling or white hairs. There can be head tossing, prancing and jiggling on the trail. The horse won't stand to be saddled and mounted. In advanced cases, horses will buck. Dry patches that form under the saddle area indicate things are not going well with the distribution of the rider's weight.

I know that keeping and feeding a "broncie" sore horse is not a good business. But, selling them all and getting a new string is not a good option either.

With my videotape, **"SADDLE FITTING - THE SCIENCE & ART VIDEO,"** learn just how a horse's back works and how it carries weight best. Learn the different size trees and how they affect the horse. Learn how to purchase the right saddle for your type of riding, or modify your existing saddle to work better.