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Kerckhaert DF

Always Imitated - Never Duplicated.

The DF series is made for the discerning farrier who requires finesse and attention to detail in his work. It offers the broadest selection in features such as fronts and hinds, left and right foot patterns, different web sizes, clip positioning and nail hole sizing according to the size of the shoe. The excellent clip style and punching of these shoes is a highlight for farriers. Front Quarter Clipped or Toe Clipped, Hind Side Clipped. Available in 8mm and 10mm thickness. All DF shoes are punched for E-head nails.



Liberty 5 Combo Slim HardTop

The 5 Combo Slim HardTop Nails are the first American style nail with a special hardening process on the top of the head; providing additional wear and strength. The nail head will wear longer and also helps with shoe wear.



Kerckhaert Steel Comfort Sport

The Steel Comfort Sport gives the sport horse optimal hoof comfort. It focuses on good movement coordination and balance with less pressure on the tendons.

A highlight of this shoe is the radius clips between the 2nd and 3rd nail holes. Built-in support on the toe, wider heel sections and marked drill points for applying additional traction all contribute to the ease of use for the farrier and performance of the horse. Available in sizes 000 - 4.



Save Edge Original Drive-On Rasp Handles

The Save Edge Original Drive-On Rasp Handle is a great replacement option for the discontinued Chameleon Red Rasp Handle. Designed for comfortable use of standard hoof rasps such as the Save Edge Original and Photo Finish. The Save Edge Original Drive-On Rasp Handle is available in Blue and Pink.



Forging a Plain Stamped Shoe

by Roy Bloom, APF CJF

Roy Bloom, APF CJF provided us with an opportunity to get some good step by step shots of him forging a plain stamped shoe using 5/16"x3/4" flat stock. Notice that Roy, right-handed, works with his struck tools in line with his center-right side and is not trying to cross-over the shoe. This allows much more controlled use of the tools and allows you to strike the center of the tool in a balanced position. You are likely to get better results in the shoe and also avoid damaging your tool with off balance impact. You can see Roy talking about tool maintenance and forging in videos we have posted on our YouTube channel - youtube.com/farrierproducts.



Start your toe bend working on the face or horn, making your first blow just off center.



Working with round side of hammer, establish first one side of bend then the other.



Keep stock in line and flat as you put toe in.



You can eyeball it or use a Bloom t-square tool to mark your toe nail.



Working on face and at opposite edge of anvil, form your heels and heel check.



Turn branch over horn, striking the shoe just past the center of the horn to make the bend.



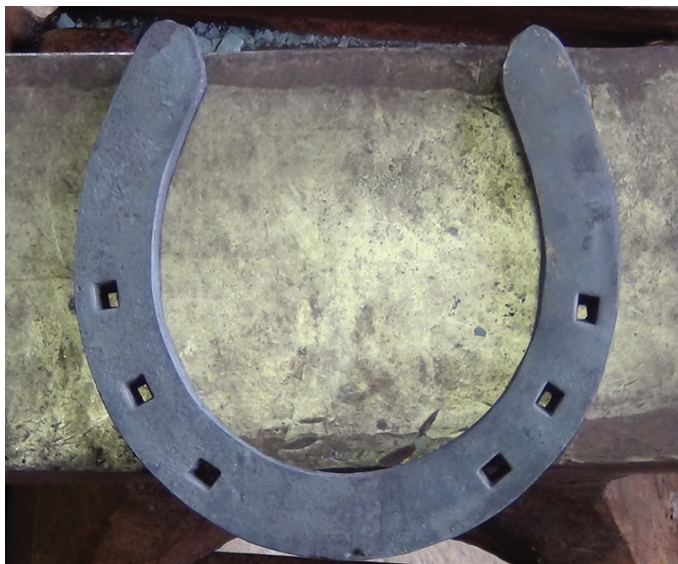
Use hammer to position forepunch to minimize heat build-up in tip. Establish your nail position and punch almost to finish depth.



Work branch to clean up frog eyes.



Forepunch to final depth, drift and pritchel.



After drifting and pritcheling, make your flatting run and any last adjustments to shape.

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