

Breaking New saddles are a bit stiff. Tightening the girth up, the comfort you are used to from your old saddle is surprisingly absent. Is it a mistake that you shifted to a new saddle? No, it just isn't broken yet.

How to break a new saddle in?

Inside the leather there are bundles of fibers that give it strength and flexibility. If those fibers get proper lubrication, they won't dry or split. Because leather is a natural substance, most who work with it recommend applying natural oils to replenish its moisture.

Which products to use?

Glycerin is commonly used to clean leather surfaces and maintain shine, but it doesn't penetrate the surface. Neatsfoot oils penetrate leather and softens its fibers. The Neatsfoot formula protects the leather from the greasy, sticky residue. It actually bonds to the fibers to

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Leather Conditioners provides vital lubrication to keep leather soft while maintaining its strength, durability and beauty. It gives immediate protection to wet or dry leather without ever leaving an oily residual.



How to use your products?

Use a dry sponge or brush and rub on a light coating. Once that layer has been absorbed, apply another, and make sure to use a soft dry sponge. A good rule of thumb is that if the sponge or brush scratches your skin, it's too stiff for leather. It is hardly recommended to never dip saddles in oil. Also a saddle that has been sitting without riding for months may need 2 or 3 coats applied a few hours apart.

Riding regularly with your new saddle is the best way to break it in after the lubrication process. Don't expose your saddle to excessive sunlight at first. Be sure you don't wear your best white riding pants at the beginning and save it until the saddle is broken in.

If you treat your saddle leather as skin, keeping it nourished and clean, it will last longer than you will. Keep your leather-lubricating products handy to use regularly, your new saddle will soon be as comfortable as the old one.

New saddles often come with a white film of tallow, the natural fats and oils in the leather that have risen to the surface. It's a protectant and should be left on. As you ride the heat and friction will rub the tallow back into the leather.

Worldwide saddleries recommends treating your saddle with **Neatsfoot oils**. It is the best to treat both the hair and flesh sides of the leather.

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