



PROTECT YOUR HORSE

HORSES ARE A MAJOR INVESTMENT, and with conscientious care you can maintain your horse's good health. Choosing top-quality feed helps ensure your horse gets all the nutrients required for a complete diet. Supplements

can round out the diet to address particular challenges, such as strengthening the hooves and enhancing the coat. Using medicated shampoos and topicals results in healthy skin and a shiny coat. Protect legs with bandages during travel or exercise, and consider therapeutic equine clothing to

soothe sore muscles. Some products are designed to manage thrush and other hoof conditions, while others utilize biological strategies to rid your space of flies. There are many options to care for your horse's health, and *Western Horseman* has gathered a selection to help you get started.



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Inside Tract by ADM Animal Nutrition

This top-dress, highly palatable pelleted supplement is designed for horses of all ages and performance levels. Inside Tract is comprised of ingredients approved for equine feed that offer nutritional support for gastrointestinal health, particularly for horses under stress. It is available in a 10-pound bucket from dealers found at admani.com/retail/locator.htm. For more information call 800-860-8254 or email an.equinehelp@adm.com.



30% Ration Balancer by Triple Crown Nutrition

For horses primarily fed hay and

through grazing, Triple Crown's 30% Ration Balancer provides proper vitamin and mineral nutrition, as well as high levels of probiotics, prebiotics and six organic minerals. The resulting balanced diet encourages better hoof condition and hair coat as well as improved overall immune response. Triple Crown Lite is another option for horses mainly on forage. Both are available in 50-pound bags from Triple Crown Nutrition dealers nationwide. Visit triplecrownfeed.com



SafeChoice Senior Horse Feed by Nutrena

This high-fat, controlled-starch complete feed is designed to meet the unique needs of senior horses over 15

years old, as well as horses with metabolic concerns, miniature horses and ponies, hard keepers and rescue horses under rehabilitation. The feed contains Nutrena's Topline Balance and Nutri-Bloom Advantage. The pelleted feed is available in a 50-pound bag. Purchase at Tractor Supply Company or find a dealer on nutrenaworld.com.



PuriShield by Farnam

Farnam's PuriShield wound-care line is formulated with patented Purifect technology that supports the body's naturally occurring immune response to help heal wounds. PuriShield aids in wound cleansing, supports normal tissue regeneration, and protects against germs, dirt, debris, water and insects. No steroids, antibiotics or chlorines are

Thin Soles?

Signs to be aware of:

- Walking with its head down
- Picking its way or refusing to walk on certain terrain
- Frequent bruising

Possible Solutions:

- Pour-in pad materials and shoes
- Boots or Equi-Pak|CS and Sole-Guard package for a bare foot

Vettec pour-in pad materials provide comfort, protection and therapeutic support. Have thin soles? Contact us to talk it over.



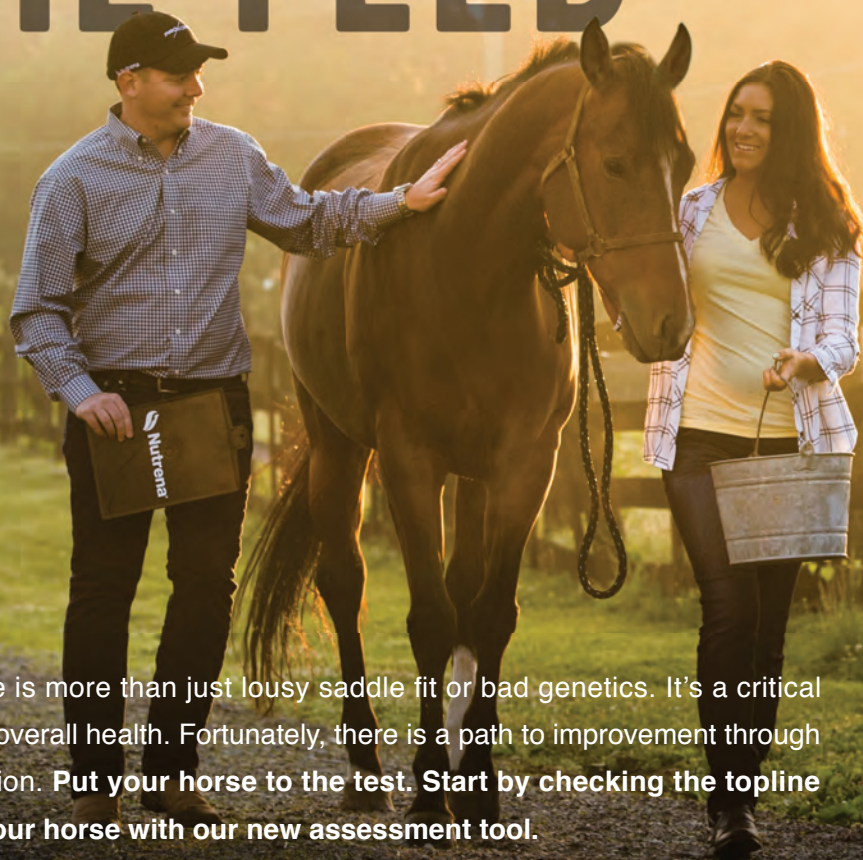
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Horsehoer's Secret by Farnam

Farnam's Horsehoer's Secret family of hoof care products encourages healthy hooves from the inside out with supplements that deliver nutrition to support and strengthen hooves, and topical treatment to support hoof health and help prevent cracks and splits. The line includes Horsehoer's Secret Extra Strength Hoof & Connective Tissue



Supplement for \$46.77, Horsehoer's Secret Pelleted Hoof Supplement for \$41.53, Horsehoer's Secret Deep-Penetrating Hoof Conditioner for \$27.14 and Horsehoer's Secret Hoof Sealant for \$12.25. Visit farnam.com.

No Bow Bandages by Cashel

The No Bow Bandages are made of traditional cotton and foam to aid in wrapping without the fear of damaging the leg. Use in conjunction with polo wraps for treatment or prevention of



injury. They can be placed over liniments or as directed by your veterinarian. Available in sizes small (12-inch), medium (14-inch) or large (16-inch). Cost is \$19.99. No Bow Bandages are available online at cashelcompany.com or at your favorite Cashel dealer.



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functional. It can serve as a base layer, a transportation sheet or a cooler. Available from 60-inch to 90-inch sizes, prices start at \$199, and it can be purchased online or at retailers. Call 888-758-9836 or visit backontrackproducts.com.



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CJ by Platinum Performance

Platinum Performance's CJ is a complete joint supplement in a wellness formula that supports every aspect of health, while including multiple joint-supporting ingredients such as: Omega 3s, antioxidants, MSM, Glucosamine, cetyl-myristoleate, hyaluronic acid, avocado-soy unsaponifiables (ASU). It is available in 10-, 17.5-, 25-, 50- and 135-pound options. Cost is \$147 for 10 pounds—a 30-day

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as a liquid that sets up to a flexible solid when bonded to the bottom of the foot. Using it avoids the need for daily treatments of thrush or use of snowball pads. Retailing for \$32.05 for a 180cc cartridge, Equi-Pak CS can be purchased through a dealer network of online stores and farrier supply shops. Visit vettec.com



LifeCare Fresh Packs by Formula 707

Formula 707's Fresh Packs use the company's high-quality ingredients, formulates them into pellets and packages them into pre-measured daily portions. Fresh Packs are accurate, palatable, convenient and affordable. The design keeps oxygen,



moisture and sunlight from affecting the product. Available in 20 to 56 daily fresh packs per bucket, cost ranges from \$34.95 to \$49.95. To purchase, find a retailer at formula707.com. For more information, call 800-525-8601.

Tough 1 Magnetic Tendon Boots by JT International

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Equerry's Supplements by Animal Health Solutions

Animal Health Solutions offers four supplements to improve gut health for enhanced overall wellness of the horse, and improved utilization and absorption of nutrients. Each product contains a base of microencapsulated probiotics, digestive enzymes and yeast. These include Equerry's Large Animal Probiotic, Equerry's Plus, Equerry's



Choice and Equerry's Combined RX 4 Way. They are now available in 5-, 20- and 40-pound bags from independent retailers across the nation, as well as at animalhealthsolutionsinc.com.

E3 AFA for Horses by The Perfect Horse

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