

RACING CATALOGUE 2019







Innovation and Design Award Winner 2014



StrideFree® Racing are a range of saddles and accessories designed with **equine back health** and welfare in mind. Designed and manufactured by Peter Horobin of Peter Horobin Saddlery, racing is in the blood of our second generation family enterprise. With a rich history of racing in Europe and Australia, Peter has continued his education of the racehorse, it's biomechanics and anatomy for over four decades.

How the horse gallops under saddle is paramount to the impact of stride length and with the research Peter has acquired alongside equine professionals worldwide, it has allowed him to re-invent the wheel of racing products.

The revolutionary, award-winning StrideFree® tree in both the race and exercise saddle range, has been built with an extremely strong and flexible synthetic composite. It has been tested for strength under vigorous pressure and the resilience has been second to none. Because of this, the StrideFree® tree has a lifetime warranty*.

The StrideFree® design has a larger load bearing surface area and a tree which flexes with the horses back shape. It doesn't slip forward and has proven success in the increase of freedom in shoulder movement, lengthened stride and reduces wither soreness and speedy cutting.

The StrideFree® Racing range is changing the game of racing.



UNDERSTANDING THAT WEIGHT IS A CRUCIAL ELEMENT FOR EVERY JOCKEY

The StrideFree® Racing race saddles range from as light as **195g** all the way through to **3kg**.

They are built on an extremely strong and flexible synthetic composite full tree. The tree's resilience is tested under difficult conditions and vigorous pressure, and the strength is absolutely second to none. The StrideFree® tree comes with a lifetime warranty*.

The StrideFree® Racing saddles are available in numerous colours, using only the top quality patent leather and full grain European leathers. The underside of the saddle is lined with a non-slip soft padding for comfort.

The stirrup bars have been tested under extreme pressure and girth points are durable and strong. The StrideFree® tree allows comfort for the horse providing freedom in the shoulder along with being kind on the horse's back spinal processes, scapula and trapezius muscle, allowing muscles to move freely without any restrictions.

Our saddles can be made custom made to order with many colours, piping and embroidery to choose from.

^{*}See our terms and conditions via our website www.horobin.com.au

THE STRIDEFREE® TREE

Below are some examples of popular **race trees** and the **sharp tree points** that can be harmful to the horse, potentially causing irreversible damage to the horse's back. Each image shows the StrideFree® tree (white tree on the right) overlap the common race tree. You can see the difference where the common tree points are sharp and angle forward which places pressure on the horse's scapula. The StrideFree® tree is curved away at the shoulder so it allows minimum pressure on the horse's scapula and trapezius muscle, allowing more freedom for the horse to elevate its' leg and increase its' stride.













RACE SADDLES



195g AERO RACE SADDLE

CODE SF195

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH One girth strap attached

STRAPS (Two girth straps not available)

TREE LENGTH 9.5" (24cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full Grain Leather



350-400g RACE SADDLE

CODE SF350-400

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via

stainless steel buckle. Additional pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH 11" (28cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full Grain Leather



450-500g RACE SADDLE

CODE SF450-500

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via

stainless steel buckle. Additional

pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 12.5" (32cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full Grain Leather



Forward cut flap option available

600-700g RACE SADDLE

CODE SF600-700

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via stainless steel buckle. Additional

pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 14" (36cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full grain leather

RACE SADDLES

Forward cut flap option available



Forward cut flap option available



Forward cut flap option available



Forward cut flap option available

1kg RACE SADDLE

CODE SF1kg

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via stainless steel buckle. Additional

pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 16" (41cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full grain leather

1.5kg RACE SADDLE

CODE SF1.5kg

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via

stainless steel buckle. Additional pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 17" (43cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full grain leather

2kg RACE SADDLE

CODE SF2kg

COLOURS See colour chart for leather.

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

STRAPS available. They are attached via

stainless steel buckle. Additional

pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 17" (43cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full Grain Leather

3kg RACE SADDLE

CODE SF3kg

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options

GIRTH Double or single girth straps

straps available. They are attached via stainless steel buckle. Additional pairs available for purchase

TREE LENGTH Length 18.5" (47cm)

LEATHER Patent Leather, Full Grain Leather

STRIDEFREE® SQUAD

Meet our **StrideFree**®Squad members who are much loved ambassadors of our brand.



Danny O'Brien Racing



Tom Sadler



Georgia King



Jack Dace



LEATHER OPTIONS

Patent Leather



Chestnut

Snake Skin Print

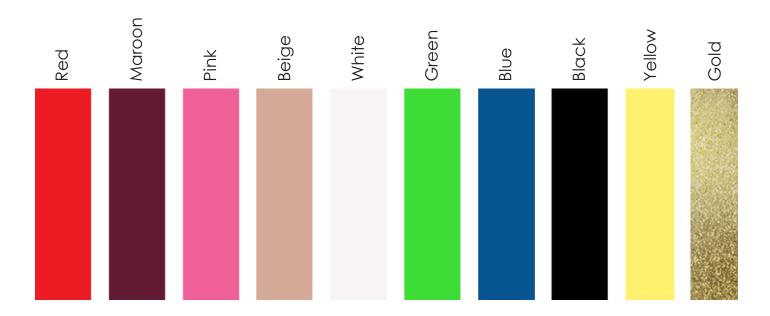
Black



Brown

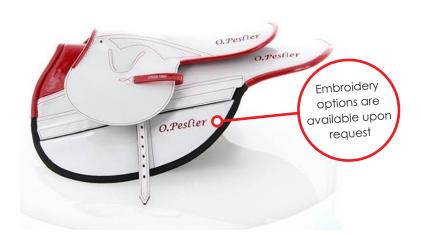
COLOURS

PIPING COLOURS



STITCHING COLOURS





This is a representation of our piping and stitching colours, therefore colours of the real product may vary slightly.

Custom colours on exercise saddles are available however a minimum order quantity is required.

THE SCIENCE BEHIND STRIDEFREE®

When we discuss saddles of any type, there usually follows a conversation of the saddle tree. The StrideFree® tree, has been designed to allow complete freedom of the horses' shoulder movement. This will allow lengthened stride and can also give the horse a more comfortable and productive workout.

The horses' forelimbs are considered to be attached by a 'false joint'. Only soft tissue structures (muscles and fascia) hold the forelimbs to the trunk (horses lack of a collar bone), thus any restriction of those structures can impede full range of motion through extension and retraction of the limb. The top portion of the scapula is a cartilage cap, and the rest is bone. The thin trapezius muscle which has both a cervical and thoracic portion plays a role in forelimb attachment and movement, and also houses sensitive nerves, which when triggered can cause a hollowing of the back and raising of the head, as well as pain in the surrounding area and behavioural or training problems. Your common half trees and full trees, whether steel or wood, hang on to this area, directly affecting the spine and nerves causing pain and influencing performance.

This is why the StrideFree® philosophy has become one of the most important cogs in the wheel of training methods. Ultimately, when a StrideFree® tree is used every day in comparison to other trees, it can assist and improve on performance.

The tree has been tested for breakage under extremely strenuous conditions, which allows us to be confident in providing a 100% guarantee and lifetime warranty on the saddle tree.

The stirrup bars have two designs. One is Australian standard and the other a safety stirrup bar, meeting International standards. They have been tested for strength and safety.

Peter Horobin, who has been a saddler and saddle fitter for over 35 years, thought about the equine anatomy when developing the patent designed StrideFree® tree, and from his experience working with equine professionals across the world, he was able to develop a saddle that features cutting edge technology that also encompasses comfort for the rider.



A common half tree (the design when girthed up applies pressure on the spinal processes and restricts movement in the shoulders) This kind of pressure can cause tension and can restrict the horses movement when in motion.



A common steel half tree which applies pressure on the horses' spinal processes and when girthed up with a surcingle could cause pain and pressure on the horses back, wither area and shoulder area. This can result in irreversible damage.



The StrideFree® tree is shaped to allow complete shoulder freedom movement, clears the spinal processes, is flexible in the back to allow the back end of the horse to bring up it's hindquarters, which ultimately lengthens stride through range of motion.

SADDLE FEATURES



EXERCISE SADDLES



ORIGINAL

CODE SForiginal

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH 1/8" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather



DELUXE

CODE SFdeluxe

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH 1/8" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather

EXTRA Extra soft padded seat, first

FEATURES grade leather



SUEDE

CODE SFsuede

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH 1/8" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather, suede seat

EXTRA Suede seat

FEATURES





CODE SFmonte

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH 1" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather.

EXTRA Front and rear D-rings

FEATURES

EXERCISE SADDLES

USA STYLE



CODE SFamerica

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH 1" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather

EXTRA Extra soft padded seat, first

FEATURES grade leather



JAPANESE STYLE

CODE SFjapan

COLOURS See colour chart for leather,

stitching and piping options*

GIRTH %" Solid chrome tanned girth

STRAPS straps

LEATHER Full Grain Leather



All **Australian** training saddles have the compulsory **closed stainless steel safety bar**.

Any saddles purchased Internationally will feature the safety stirrup bar.



^{*}Custom colours on exercise saddles are available however a minimum order quantity is required.

ACCESSORIES

STRIDEFREE® EXERCISE GIRTH



Made from anti-gall material. USA/Europe: 1" buckles. Aus/NZ/Japan: 7/8" buckles. Code: SFgirth

ELASTIC GIRTH & SURCINGLE SET



Durable elastic surcingle and girth. Available only at RRP. Code: Allelastic

ELASTIC BREAST PLATE - PVC STRAPPING



Elastic breastplate with PVC strapping. Available only at RRP. Code: Breastplate

STAINLESS STEEL SAFETY STIRRUPS



Stainless steel safety stirrups. Available only at RRP. Code: Safetystirrups

STRIDEFREE® EXERCISE STIRRUP LEATHERS



Durable, strong whilst soft and comfortable against your leg. The exercise training stirrup leathers are perfect for track in the morning. Tested for strength and maximum weight, these leathers won't crack under pressure. Code: SFleathers

ACCESSORIES

ANTI-REARING STRAP



English leather anti-rearing strap with brass buckles to match your headcollar on race day. Code: PHrearing

(Bit seen in image is not included. Purchase

separately)

RACE BRIDLE - BUCKLE THE OVER HEAD



The Peter Horobin
English leather race
bridle with the buckle
overhead has been
used on many winning
horses in Australia and
overseas. Adjustments
on cheek pieces and
throat lash, the race
bridle is winner for race
day.

Code: PHbridlebuckle

LEATHER RACE BRIDLE - SLIDING BROWBAND



Peter Horobin English leather race bridle with sliding browband features brass buckles and adjustable throat lash and cheek pieces. Code: PHbridlebrow

LEATHER BIT LIFTER



The English leather bit lifter with attachment and brass buckles.
Code: PHbitlifter

STRIDEFREE® CROSSOVER NOSEBAND



English leather with stainless steel buckles, hand stitched and comfortable leather nosepiece.

Code: Crossover

STRIDEFREE® CROSSOVER NOSEBAND SHEEPSKIN



English leather with brass fittings and sheepskin for softness around the nose. Code: Crossoversheep

ACCESSORIES

PLAIN LEATHER HEADCOLLAR



Plain English leather headcollar with stitchina and brass buckles. Available in black or brown.

Sizes: Pony, Cob, Full

and WB.

Code: PlainHC

BRASS NAMEPLATE



Brass nameplate to fit your headcollar. We can organise the engraving or send to you with no engraving. Each plate comes with screws. Purchase our plain leather headcollar, and we'll organise the engraving and have our PHS saddler put the nameplate on for you. Code: PaddedHC

WINX

SINGLE CLIP LEAD WITH LOOP



Single clip lead with loop. Made in English leather with brass buckles. Code: PHsingle

LEATHER DOUBLE CLIP LEAD



STALLION CHAIN & LEATHER LEAD



Stallion chain and leather lead is very popular for adding extra glamour to your stallion. Made in English leather. Durable and strong lead.

Code: LeadS



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