
Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by chestnutmare - 2007/05/17 19:08

I've been doing a bit of research into western riding boots. From what I can gather makes Justin and Lucchese appear to be among the most popular with a good selection available on Ebay. I've been looking for a pair of ladies and mens boot which are sturdy and suitable for everyday riding. Can you all let me know which brands you buy and which you really recommend to be the best?? All advice welcome before we go splashing out on boots that may not be up to the job ;)

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by markrm - 2007/05/17 21:58

I ride in Justin (crepe sole). Very comfortable and sit well in the stirrup. Will probably get another pair soon 8)

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by CatG - 2007/05/18 00:01

Twisted X. Very tough boots, which hubby swears by (David Gray). He lives in them. Rides in them, goes out in them, has used them as wellies, done plastering in them - the lot. Twisted X sponsor him but only because he loves the boots. They have lasted longer than any other boots he has had.

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by amanda - 2007/05/18 09:55

I love my Ariat boots! got a few pairs, like the lace up ones that come up to the ankle. my oldest pair are now 8 yrs old and have been worn whilst mucking out aet and riding and are still fine and sturdy! got a nice thick sole and really comfortable for riding and walking. a few of my riding pals now wear them too and are v. pleased!

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by hunterrookie - 2007/05/18 14:00

Causes much debate in our house.

Like Amanda, i love my Ariats - look out for their ropers which are hard to track down in the UK. I wear them for work as well as riding, so they're used for anything from test driving tractors to attending smart foreign trade shows (I once had to wash them in the bathroom sink of a five star hotel in Warsaw!)

But Ariats do seem to suit narrower feet, so that's worth bearing in mind.

Husband swears by his Justins, but has an ancient and cherished pair of Laredos, which are even harder to find.

There is certainly more choice in the UK now, and its worth a good browse around the stands at shows rather than paying postage and duty from the states.

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Theresa - 2007/05/18 19:00

My vote is for Ariat (I may be a little biased ;)).

ps. we are starting to get lacers in, if people want them I'm happy to stock them.

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Isobelj - 2007/05/18 19:16

Another vote for Ariat-ropers bought in Tucson-immediately rode every day in them and then wore them all the way home in the plane as there was no room in the suitcase. So comfortable, and warm in winter.

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by chestnutmare - 2007/05/18 21:29

Thanks everyone for the replies. All comments appreciated! Will keep an eye on the auctions etc. ;)

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Re: Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by peachie - 2007/05/19 06:25

Hi

I have a pair of Laradeo's (excuss the spelling) which look great, but I agree with some of the other comments about boots, they are a little narrow and I think they broke me before I managed to break them in!!!

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by djjim - 2007/08/30 14:58

There is a competiton in the FREE REIN magazine to win a pair of TWISTED X BOOTS why not give it a whirl

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Gem - 2007/08/30 15:59

I dont have any proper westernboots yet, havent got round to buying some and need to go try them on really, but the jhodpur boot i wear looks just like a roper boot and even has a handy ledge to put you spurs on, unfortunatly hunter have stoped making them.

I would probably go for a pair of Ariats becasue I had a pair of English ridin gboots are they were really nice .

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by CatG - 2007/08/30 17:59

I walked away in my new twisted x boots and wore them throughout the whole of the WES Champs for 4 days. They are really comfortable and I didn't need to break them in at all.

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by MU5T4N9 - 2008/02/10 07:20

I am in the market for a new pair of boots aswell and after reading some of the comments I get the impression that Ariat boots are quite narrow! Could someone with some experience as it were confirm this as I have quite wide feet and would

not want anything considered as even faintly on the narrow side. What wide boots could anyone recommend if this is the case!!!

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Roland - 2008/02/10 08:01

I like Justin boots, available in various widths and there made in the USA, not China :(like some other makes..

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Neil - 2008/02/10 10:32

I have to agree with Roland on this one. Justin Boots are the ones for me. I bought a pair of tekno-Crepe boots 2/3 years ago (and they were not an expensive pair) and they are still going strong now and I wear them for everything. I am looking for some new boots and will definitely be going with Justin their new range look great as well.

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by hunterrookie - 2008/02/10 14:09

I do like Ariats, but certainly the women's are a bit narrow. Justin are better for wider feet, or try Twisted X - bought a pair at the WES champs and they've hardly been off my feet! (alho having narrow feet I have to wear thick socks!)

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by rosie - 2008/02/10 17:12

B) i agree with theresa and amanda, ariat boots are really good and they last. my daughter tried the twisted X but they were quite narrow. theresa has a good choice of boots now, so go and look at the next show. also if you want boots for everyday, why not just some english ankle boots? and save the good ariats for shows.
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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by Dingbat - 2008/02/11 13:27

I have some twisted-X boots. when i was trying them i tried all styles/widths. They actually come in different widths anyway but i found the style also did affect the fit.

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by djim - 2008/02/11 14:35

As the TwistedXBoots dealer in the UK we have read with interest the many comments on this forum and at the end of the day it boils down to which boot fits you best.

It might be one from the Twisted range but could easily be a pair from any of the umpteen manufacturers out there.

TwistedXBoots however do take some beating I recently took a pair from stock travelled to the States in them,walked around a trade show for five days and travelled back they were like slippers from day one and this is one of the reasons

we prefer to stock them against other boots.

The range Includes many stykes and there are three width fittings in Ladies and upto four width fittings in mens.

The Guys behind Twisted have,in their words,Gazillions of years experience behind them having worked in the western boot and sports footwear industry for many years.

This combined knowledge as allowed them to be the fastest growing western boot manufacturer in the US and they continue to be not only innovative but cost conscious as well.

But let me re-iterate if it fits and you like it buy it is still the best philosophy.

www.westernsaddles.uk.com/Western%20Boots.htm

Post edited by: djjim, at: 2008/02/11 14:36

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by westernsaddler - 2008/02/11 16:31

I just bought some of the kids Twisted X cowboy boots for my daughter - they are SO cute and so well made! She normally gets blisters from boots but has not with these. They are really, really sturdily made boots. Highly recommend them!

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Re:Which western boots do you ride in/recommend?

Posted by MU5T4N9 - 2008/02/12 17:57

Thanks for all of your helpful comments I will bear them in mind while looking!

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