

## Kerckhaert Ranger Lite Rim

### TRACTION FROM TRAIL TO RODEO

The Kerckhaert Ranger Lite Rim is an excellent shoe for activities that require more traction than a flat shoe. A very popular style for rodeo event horses and general trail use. With a higher grade of steel for better wear and v-crease for better fit, this shoe provides the perfect solution for farriers who want the best results at a competitive price. The Kerckhaert Ranger Lite Rim features sole relief, excellent nail hole placement (including the heel nail) and a crisp rim for better traction.



#### RANGER LITE RIM FEATURES

- Sole Relief
- V-Crease
- Crisp rim for better traction
- Excellent nail hole placement, including the heel nail
- Generic shape for front or hind
- Easily shaped, hot or cold
- High quality steel for better wear
- Competitively priced
- Punched for City or Slim nails
- One Shape - Unclipped
- Sizes 000, 00, 0, 1, 2 and 3

## New FootPro™ File Roll

This is a really nice option for competitors that travel for contests and need to take a variety of finishing tools with them. It will also be useful for any farrier or vet to carry the key tools they need when not working out of their rigs.

Ask your preferred FPD dealer about this great new product!



## JUST A REMINDER

### 3M Cubitron 7" Grinding Discs

Slices through carbon steel with 3M Precision Shaped Grain and generates up to twice the cut-rate, durability, and life of other fiber discs - all with less grinding pressure. That means less operator fatigue, faster throughput, and more parts per disc when tackling high pressure grinding applications such as medium to heavy-duty stock removal. Well-suited for edge chamfering, beveling, and removing carbon steel welds, mill scale, pits and imperfections, machining grooves, and more.



- 3M Precision Shaped Grain maintains super-sharp points that cut exceptionally fast with less pressure
- Disc life is significantly longer, completing more parts per disc and requiring fewer disc changes
- Triangular shaped ceramic grain lasts up to two times longer than other ceramic abrasives - it wears evenly, runs cool, and optimizes mineral breakdown
- Stiff fiber backing and a strong resin bond provide durability and tear-resistance for heavyweight applications such as high-pressure weld grinding and beveling

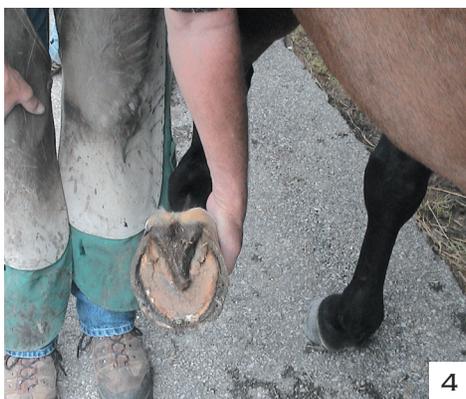
# WHAT KIND OF VIEW DO YOU HAVE?

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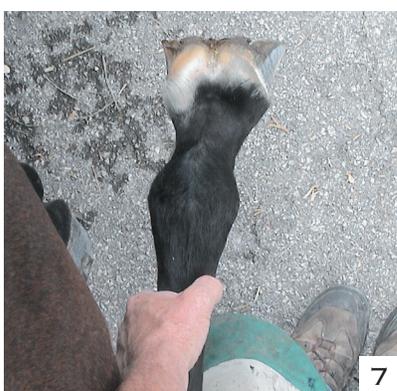
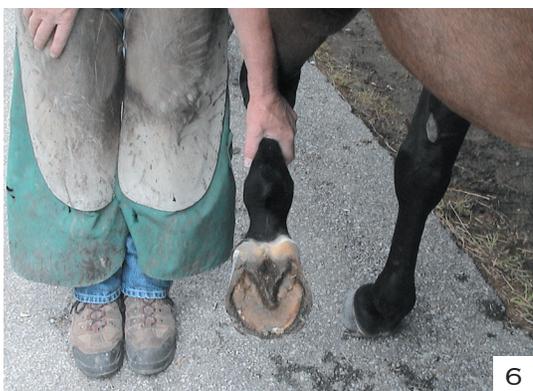
One of the steps to getting a good trim is often overlooked. If you don't have a good view of the balance of the bottom of the foot it is difficult to get the best trim. How you hold the leg affects the view of the foot, sometimes dramatically changing the perception you end up with.

Many farriers have found that holding the leg in its most natural position is the best way to get a true picture of the balance. This applies to front or hind. Take a look at the pictures. Try holding the leg in the various positions. You may be surprised at the differences in what you might have done with the foot trim based on how you see the hoof in these positions.



If you hold the front foot similar to **photos 1 and 2** you are very likely getting a distorted view. Your hand, especially the thumb pressure, will push the hoof capsule in one direction or another. Holding the leg out from the body, as in **photos 3, 4, and 5** will also create a distorted view.

Try holding the leg by the cannon bone and staying in line with the body. The hoof may be under the horse and you will have to crouch to get the view but it gives you the most accurate view of how the hoof aligns with the cannon bone and gives you a much better starting point for your trim. See **photos 6, 7 and 8**.



The hind view is similarly affected by not allowing the limb to hang as freely and near its natural position as possible. Pushing the leg out of position with your inside knee will make it difficult to see the true alignment of the hoof capsule to the leg. This is evident in **photo 9**. Hold the leg under the hock joint and keep the cannon bone perpendicular to the ground as it is shown in **photos 10 & 11**. If the

cannon bone is pulled forward or pushed back as it is in **photos 12 & 13** it will distort your view - particularly of the toe and heel length.

Your trim should always be done with the alignment of the hoof capsule to the leg in mind. Hopefully these tips will help you to improve the view and the trim. ■



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