



5 Steps of Shoeing

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The FIVE Steps of SHOEING

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PREPARE: Trim and level the hoof.



2

FORGING: Make the shoe (or pick out a pre-made shoe)



3



FIT: Make sure the shoe fits

4

NAILING: Nail the shoes on.



5

FINISH: Flatten the nails (clinches) & file the edges



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1. What is the difference between a FARRIER and a BLACKSMITH?



A **Blacksmith** does all kinds of iron work, not just horseshoes.

A **Farrier** is a hoof care specialist.



2. What is **HOT** shoeing?

Using a hot forge to heat the iron and make or modify the shoes. The hot horseshoe is pressed against the bottom of the **hoof** and leaves a mark. This mark tells the farrier if the shoe is the right **size** and if the hoof is **level**.

a. Does it hurt the horse? **No**

b. Why would you ask for hot shoeing?



Because pre-made shoes don't **fit** your horse or your horse needs special shoes



3. Pre-made shoes are also called **KEG** shoes.



Types of Horseshoes

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Aluminum Full or Heel Bar

Egg Bar

Heart Bar

With clips and flare

Standard