



Installation Instructions

We recommend that your Dally Post be installed by a saddle maker experienced with replacing saddle horns. If you do not have one in your area, please call for a list of saddle makers that we have worked with.

The following basic procedures should be followed to ensure proper mounting:

1. Remove the swell and gullet covers with care. If necessary to cut the swell around the existing horn, cut the smallest hole that will allow you to remove the swell cover.
2. Remove the saddle horn by cutting out the fiberglass or rawhide that covers the base of the horn.
3. Remove the screws or bolts holding the horn in place and remove the saddle horn.
4. Use putty filler such as "Bondo" to fill the bolt or screw holes, and to provide an even surface to set the Dally Post in.



5. Set the Dally Post in the wet filler. Center the base plate on the swell, and adjust the height with more or less putty so that the mounting brackets are flush with the wood swell, and the base plate is flush with tree cover.



6. The base plate will be covered and top shelf exposed and flush with the leather when the swell is re-covered.



7. Scrape off any excess putty, and let the putty dry, with the Dally Post, per the instructions for the putty.

8. After the putty has dried, use a 5/32" drill bit to drill the holes for the bolts. NOTE, IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO ANGLE THE DRILL HOLES SLIGHTLY SO THAT THE BOLTS WILL PROTRUDE FROM THE UNDERSIDE OF THE GULLET.

9. Bolt the horn into place. We recommend #10-24 bolt and Tee nut (pictured), or flat washer with a lock washer and standard nut. Tighten the locknut so that it recesses into the gullet as far as possible. It may be necessary to drill small recession holes for the washers and nuts to recess into the gullet.



10. After the bolts/nuts are tightened, cut or grind down the protruding ends of the bolts.

11. To re-cover the swell, position the swell cover over the post. Use a compass to draw a circle, centered on the square post, with a diameter of 2.25". Carefully carve out the circular hole for the top shelf. Stretch the leather around the top shelf, trimming as necessary. Once the final diameter is accurate, bevel and burnish the edge of the cut out for a smooth finish.

12. Apply contact adhesive such as "Fastbond" to the underside of the swell cover around the hole to adhere to the base plate and tree.

13. Reapply the swell and gullet covers. Apply pressure to the swell cover for good adhesion around the post.

Note: Because tree makers install saddle horns in a variety of sizes and manner, we do not guarantee the integrity of the tree on which a horn has been removed and a Dally Post installed.