



## Trim Tools on the Road

There are always the minimum tools you need to trim a horse, and for the most part, you probably could get away with two knives, a rasp and a pair of gloves. But here is a more extensive list of things you should have or could have with you when you are traveling to clients.



**Essentials**—always think about carrying spares. Nothing worse than being miles away from home, something happens to one of your tools and you have to quit working for the day:

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| Knives (+spares)  | Sharpener (+spares)  |
| Rasp (+spares)    | Gloves (+spares)     |
| Glasses (+spares) | Armguards            |
| Apron             | Hoof stand           |
| Nippers           | Halter and lead line |

### For extreme cases:

Hacksaw

### Power Tools:

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| Grinder              | Battery (+spares)                 |
| Flap discs (+spares) | Spanner wrench                    |
| Battery charger      | Extension cord for corded grinder |

### To remove shoes:

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| Shoe pullers | Clinch cutter |
| Hammer       | Nail puller   |

### To Record your Work:

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| Plexi           | Camera                                  |
| Measuring block | Board to take pictures on uneven ground |

### Homeopathics:

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| Rescue Remedy   | Arnica (for trauma horse and human)  |
| Hypericum (for nerve pain)                                  | Traumeel (for human trauma and pain) |
| Hepar Sulfur (single dose to speed up abscessing)           |                                      |
| Bentonite Clay (for wounds), a spoon and a mug to mix it in |                                      |

### Seasonal:

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| Fly Spray | Fly Sheet |
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### For yourself:

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| Water    | Snacks            |
| Towel(s) | Change of clothes |

### Your Office on the Road:

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| Release forms  | Brochures     |
| Business Cards | Invoice Block |
| Calendar       | Laptop        |

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**Educational:**

Bones to demonstrate  
Cross Sections of Hoof  
Books

Bucket hoof model  
Hand out Material  
White Board (small)

Dry erase markers

A sagittal cut coffin bone to explain the drawings in books

**Casting Supplies:**

Casting material

Easycare Comfort Pads and Dome Pads

Glue: Vettec Sole Guard or Adhere

Rubber Gloves

Bucket

**Anything you may want to sell:**

Thrush medication

Micro organisms

Syringes with bend neck to apply thrush medication

Soaking Boots

Rasps

Detox Kit

Colloidal Silver

Apple Cider Vinegar

Boots

Gloves

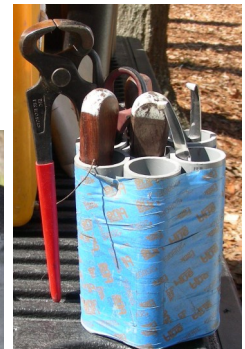
Vetrap

**And finally a tip for nervous horses:**

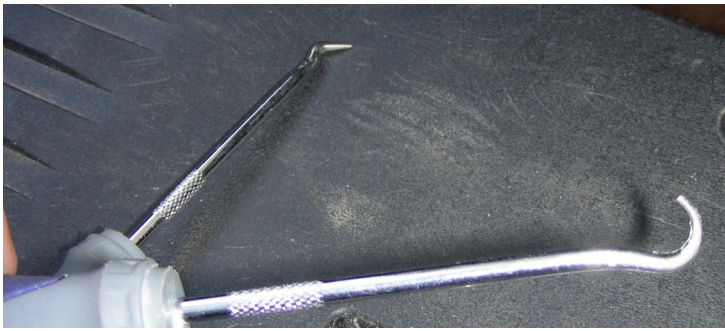
Place a few drops of Chamomile or Lavender onto a piece of cotton and attach it to the horse's collar, on or near the noseband. It will soothe the nervous system without doping the horse. -Hilary Page Self

**Pictures:**

Ways to store your tools



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This is an automotive tool pick which is helpful to explore, poke around and wedge thrush meds into deep crevices. You have to grind the tips down, otherwise they are very sharp

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Below: According to Chuck's girl friend, this is the best thing you can do with a shoe. She can make you one of these nifty hoof picks



Below: A very lightweight grinder:



If there is anything you would like to share here (pictures and/or items), please send them to me, it is easy enough to add them.