WHAT IS A CIRCLE Y FLEX2®?





There are lots of "fl x" saddles on the market, but the unique design of the Circle Y Flex2® sets it apart

from all others. It starts with the Flex2* tree. Our revolutionary dual bar system provides both stability and fl xibility - where they are needed. The highdensity bars provide stability under the rider for weight distribution, making the Flex2® saddle an option for riders of all sizes. The low-density bars are fl xible, conforming and fl xing with the horse at the bar tips for freedom of movement.



- Are you tired of struggling to saddle your horse and want something lightweight and easy to handle?
- Do you ride for long hours and appreciate comfort for yourself AND your horse?
- Do you compete in timed events where every extra pound counts?
- Have you had a hard time finding a saddle that's comfortable for you and your horse?
- Are you riding in a discipline that does NOT require roping or heavy dragging?
- Do you need a saddle that frees your horse to perform? If you answered YES, a Flex2® is a great choice!



- Not adjustable or one-size-fits all. Proper saddle fit is important no ma ter what the tree. Flex2® saddles are offer d in Regular, Wide, and Extra Wide fits
- Not recommended for roping or heavy dragging.
- Will not fl x in half, get wider over time, or overflex to create pressure points if properly fitted

SADDLE FIT MISCONCEPTIONS

My horse is really tall so he needs a wide tree.

Actually, the horse's height has nothing to do with proper tree fit. You'll want to look at the horse's conformation starting at his withers - are they well defined or are they rounded? Is his back typical or dropped? Answering these questions first will help your horse enjoy comfortable saddle fit

My horse has to have a __" gullet.

We hear this quite a bit, and it's not always the case. The bar angle and rock are also very important to fit. Gullet width is only one aspect of tree fit

I'm a bigger rider so I can't use a Flex2.

Not true! Only Circle Y's patented Flex2® tree technology uses a rigid ground seat and dual-bar system to make it a great option for riders of all sizes.

SADDLE FITTING

There is no standardization in the industry for a Regular (or Semi-Quarter horse) tree and Wide (or Full Quarter horse) tree so differen saddle brands will not fit the same. The fit may also vary among disciplines.



The gullet measurement is important, but it is the most misunderstood. It is not the defining factor of saddle fit. Most importantly, not every saddle with a specified gullet measurement will fit the same. The angle and twist of the bars affect how the saddle will fi

With all the varying trees fits, how do I know what fit my horse needs?

CONFORMATION

Regular (semi-QH)



This mare is 15.3 hands with heavy bone structure, but she needs a Regular tree because of the defined wither

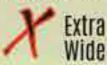
This mare is 15.1 hands and of foundation build with a round, or mutton, wither and needs a Wide tree.

Wide (full-QH)





For a draft type or extra wide foundation style horse, we offer an Extra Wide tree fi





Ideal Saddle should Too level on the should horse's back placed so it settles into the

horse's sweet spot

behind the scapula

Narrow: NOT be perched up in the front. It will pinch and cause discomfort



Too Wide it should NOT tip up in the back and the gullet should not sit on the horse's withers

Evaluate your horse for conformation issues that may interfere with proper saddle fit. Does the horse have a dropped (sway) back, really prominent withers, hollows behind the withers, or a prominent backbone? Corrective padding is required to achieve a good saddle fit.



*If your horse has conformation issues, saddle fitting will require some specialized solutions. Call us for help. View our Saddle Fitting Guide at CircleY.com for more complete explanations. These are guidelines - Circle Y does not guarantee saddle fi through photos: