

# WALSALL LEATHER SKILLS CENTRE

## **Side Saddle Course - New Build Materials**

Tree

Stirrup bar

Leaping head assembly

Hook and eye set

Stirrup leather fitting and hook

3" saddle straining web (polypropylene) approximately 2m

½" and ¾" soft plastazote. Quarter sheet of each.

Serge 1m (any colour)

Flock (old recycled is ideal or the really cheap stuff)

3 x 1" stirrup butt weight strips of leather

2 x 1 ¼" bridle butt strips

1 saddle flap butt (approximately 2/3 used per saddle so 3 saddles worth from 2 hides)

Panel hide 2m sq

Doe skin (1x hide will make 2 x saddles)

Thread of various sizes 0.6mm and 0.8mm Tiger thread

Felt ½" soft grey 1m per saddle

Felt 5mm stiffened 1m per saddle

Welting approximately 3m

Various staples and wood screws

Irish Linen 1m

Just about all these items apart from the tree and the felt are available through Abbey Saddlery. Students may supply their own tree and/or use donor fittings from an old tree. Whichever they decide the tree must be fitted with the stirrup bar and leaping head before arriving for the course as we do not want to spend training time fixing the metal.

## **Side Saddle Refurbishment Materials**

Old donor saddle

3" saddle straining web (polypropylene) approximately 2m

½" and ¾" soft plastazote. Quarter sheet of each.

Serge 1m (any colour)

Flock (old recycled is ideal or the really cheap stuff)

3 x 1" stirrup butt weight strips of leather

2 x 1 ¼" bridle butt strips

1 saddle flap butt (approximately 2/3 used per saddle so 3 saddles worth from 2xhides)

Panel hide 2m sq

Doe skin (1x hide will make 2x saddles)

Thread of various sizes 0.6mm and 0.8mm Tiger thread

Depending on the level of restoration some students will use less materials.