

The Cooling Effect of Silver Whinnys® on Equine Legs

There is not a single aspect of these remarkable leg protection-bandage-barrier socks that has not been completely considered toward performance and safety, and this includes how they feel on equine legs under the harshest heat conditions.

Nothing about our choices of materials is a cheap or second-rate application to the construction of these socks. The exact specifications of our proprietary combination of yarns used to make our socks is guided by the very principles of what is necessary to provide an optimum, breathing, wicking, and hygienic environment around equine legs that will support and encourage optimum speed of healing and hygienic protection.

Moisture managing/moisture transfer yarns cool human feet and equine legs by absorbing sweat and transferring that sweat to the outside of the socks - away from the skin. These are referred to as “cooling yarns.”

Bacteria and fungi require a warm and moist environment to propagate. When skin tissue is cool and dry, the propagation of bacteria and fungi is inhibited. Healing is also encouraged because Silver Whinnys are a knit weave that allows valuable oxygen to reach the skin.

Human athletes present cooling yarns the greatest challenge of keeping feet dry and cool by the very fact that a shoe on a human foot inhibits final evaporation. Yet these fantastic athletic yarns still perform closed within a running shoe. You won't find high quality athletic socks in Walmart®. You will find them in the best athletic shoe stores that understand that socks are as critical to an athlete's comfort and performance as the shoes on their feet.

Silver Whinnys do not cause heat buildup on normal or unhealthy equine legs. Heat is caused by inflammation and infection due to unresolved dermatitis or the stresses of injury. If heat buildup occurs on normal equine legs, the wraps or fly protection being used is lacking critical cooling mechanisms.

Your veterinarian will tell you to cold hose a leg to cool the heat caused by inflammation. This is standard practice, and cold water hosing should be done as often as possible until the inflammation is gone. Silver Whinnys can enhance the value of cold water hosing by increasing the amount of time that the legs stay cool after hosing stops.

Silver Whinnys® are being worn on equine legs from the deserts of the southwestern United States to the hot humid summer temperatures of the southeastern United States. They have successfully proven that in the worst heat of the Saudi Arabian desert, they do not cause any heat buildup on healthy legs.

Anneliese Taylor, the owner of Snoopy, who lives in Saudi Arabia and just like the sheiks of the desert must to dress to protect, says, “I haven’t experienced any heat buildup with the socks at any time when the legs were not inflamed. Snoopy has suffered for many years with extreme skin sensitivities and has worn Silver Whinnys since 2016. He suffers at times from serious inflammation due to these issues, yet the Silver Whinnys remain a useful tool in helping him heal through those periods of intense inflammation.” Anneleise also told us, “When I have used the socks especially for Snoopy who has been the longest term candidate, they were changed very often, i.e., daily, twice daily or at least every 2nd day. I know they have reduced swelling and kept swelling to a minimum when the horse has shown puffy legs and been on stable rest with minimal walking. I don’t ever recall the horse getting puffy legs when using the socks, which has been fantastic. They remind me of compression socks people wear when they fly to prevent swelling and blood clotting!”



Dressed like a Sheik in the desert, Snoopy Taylor of Saudi Arabia.

Sox For Horses, Inc. takes equine leg health very seriously. Our socks have earned their rightful place in helping horses stay protected and as an effective bandaging tool. [Buy Now.](#)

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