

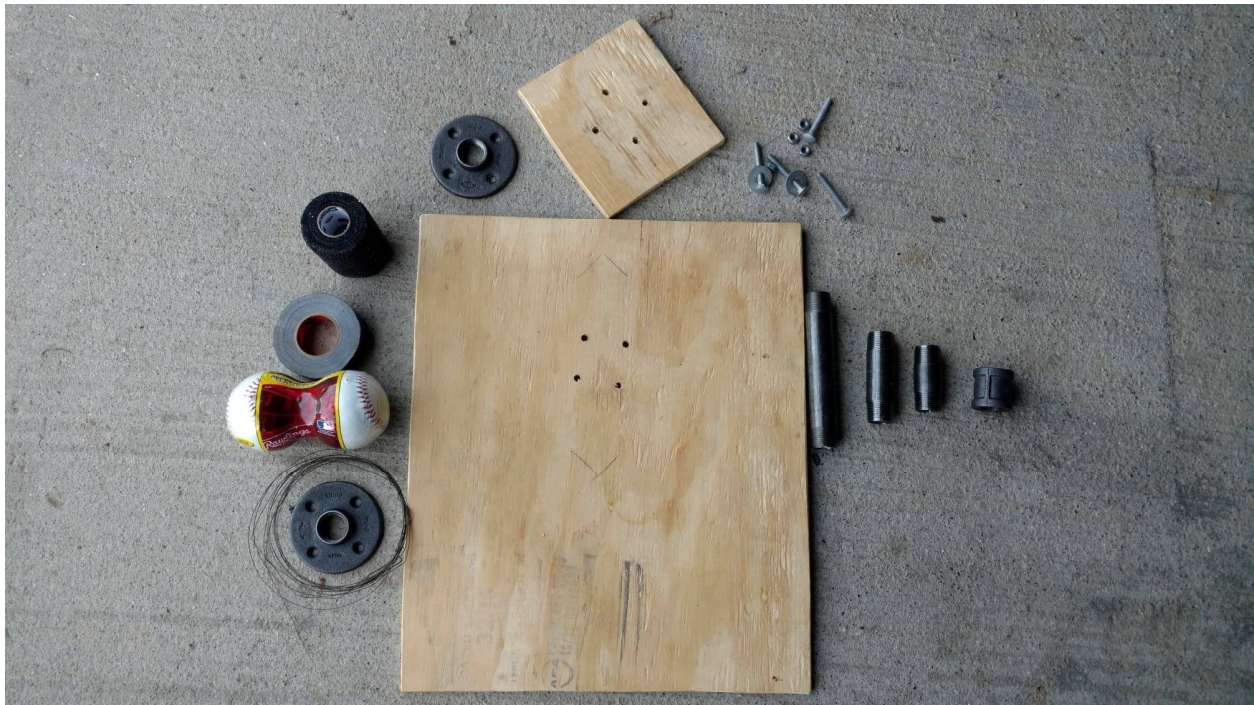
# Trimmer's Hoof Stand

Why pay \$200 for a plastic hoof stand with limited height adjustability?

For LESS than \$30 you can make your own and choose any height you need. An hour of work, and a few simple tools and you'll have a stand you can use for everything from minis, to old arthritic horses, to young ones, and everything in between. Check it out.

This stand is lightweight, portable, can be stored flat, it's highly adjustable and has the unique ability to be positioned exactly as your horse needs.

Total Cost: \$30



Supplies and tools:

2 – ¾” black floor pipe flanges (\$9.96)

¾” pipe coupler – both ends have internal threads (\$1.58)

2” 4” 6” 8” pipe “nipples” – yep, that’s what they are called (\$1.00- \$2.00 each)

Tennis ball (\$0.96)

2 baseballs shrink-wrapped (\$3.24)

4 - 2” carriage bolts with nuts (\$2.00)

Plywood – ½” or ¾” cut approx. 15” x 18” (or any size you choose) At Home Depot they will cut the wood for you, if you ask nicely. ;)

Vet Wrap

Gorilla Tape – or Duct Tape

Wire for connecting the baseballs to the flange

Drill

Adjustable wrench to tighten bolts

### **Let's get started!**

I chose to use ½" plywood and I added the extra square for a little more strength.  
Lay out the board and mark the holes to drill through the flange.

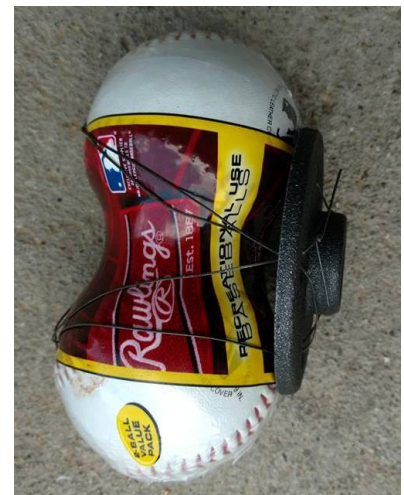


I offset the flange to 1/3 the distance of the board (not centered on the board) for several reasons -

- If you put the longer distance toward the horse it's less likely to flip if they pull on it.
- You can put YOUR foot on the excess board to keep it from flipping.
- You now have the ability to move the board closer to the horse or between feet if necessary.

Assemble the boards and flange with the rounded head of the Carriage Bolts at the bottom. You can add a large washer to the bottom of the board at each bolt for a bit more strength.

Drill through the baseballs, but don't take off the shrink wrap. Place the baseballs on the flange and run the wire through the holes and through the flange holes in several directions.

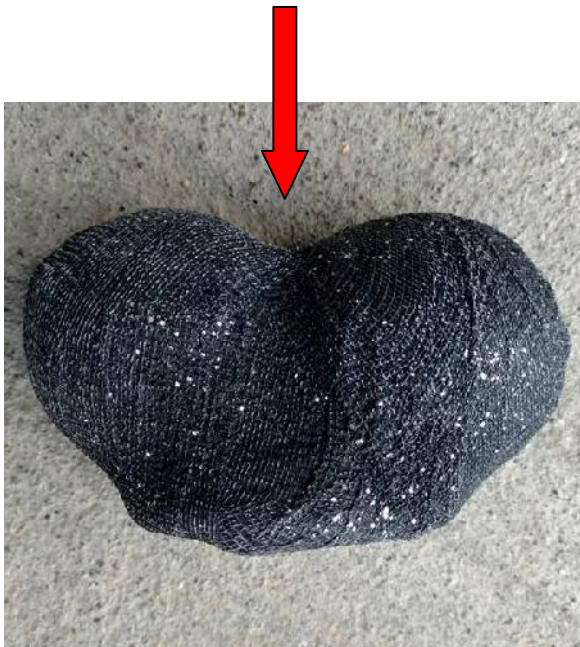




Next wrap the whole thing with Duct or Gorilla tape in all different directions. Do NOT tape over the opening on the bottom of the flange.



Finish by wrapping the whole thing with many layers of vet wrap. This will insure a good connection and also create some cushion for the foot/pastern. Be sure to keep the dent between the baseballs intact. This "well" is perfect for stabilizing the hoof.



**\*\* PLEASE DO NOT TELL ME WHAT THIS LOOKS LIKE!  
YES, I KNOW! YES, IT'S FUNNY!  
YES, HAHahaha! Now let's move on. \*\***

Using the coupler and the assorted pipes, you can have a stand as short as 2" or as tall as you wish..... Mix and match the pipes with the coupler to get all different sizes. The tennis ball on the pipe is another good support for the hoof.

