

# Introducing the Compass Bit to your horse

Once the Compass Bit is on the horse and properly adjusted in the corners of the horse's mouth, one can introduce the function of the Compass bit to the horse.

- Begin this process by standing on the ground next to the left side of your horse.
- Position yourself so that your belt buckle is facing the horse's left eye.
- Place the palm of your right hand at the base of the horse's neck just above where it joins into the horse's shoulder.
- Use your left hand to take the slack out of the left rein.
- Keep the tension on the rein constant until the horse gives its head slightly to the left, giving to pressure.
- When the horse gives to the pressure, release the tension on the rein.
- Upon doing this exercise, you will discover through observation that the horse will move its left eye and focus through that eye before giving to pressure in that direction.
- Now that the horse understands this principle, move to the horse's right side. Repeat the process learned on the left side to introduce the Compass bit to the horse's right side.
- Once the horse's right eye and face are connected as one entity, he is ready to be ridden.



## Advantages and Benefits offered by the Compass Bit

- The only bit with the ability to connect the left eye with a cue for movement to the left, and the right eye with a cue for movement to the right.
- The only bit that has the ability to soften both the left and right Zygomaticus muscles of a horse's face. This helps eliminated high headedness, head tossing, and pushing against pressure on the bit.
- By causing the horse to relax, it creates a lower profile head carriage.
- Creates a calmer state of mind in the horse, with the horse working more at ease.
- Communicates with the horse in a manner which makes sense to the horse.

See video on fitting and introducing the compass bit at: <https://youtu.be/ydDDpehwAVM>