

- 3cm nets are best for horses that have already mastered 4cm nets and are happy using them. Great for lucerne hay or other highly palatable hays.
   Great for ponies or really Gutzy horses.
- 4cm nets are our most common size and accepted by 98% of horses. Will slow the horses down and save on wastage.
- 6cm nets are great for broodmares, youngstock, old horses that don't require slowing down. Will contain hay and therefore save wastage. Great for stalky or not very palatable hay.



#### **Round Bale Hay Nets**

- We have a huge range of round bale hay nets available in both knotted and knotless materials. All are available in 3cm, 4cm, and 6cm hole sizes.
- Our knotted nets have been part of our range for over 10 years now and are made from tough, durable, UV Stabilized, and heat-treated 60ply polyethylene netting.
- Our knotless nets are made from super soft netting is made from 5mm thick and high strength PP (polypropylene) and come in a super-strong 240ply, the strongest on the Australian market!
- Available in 3x4, 4x4, 5x4 & 6x4 Round Bale sizes and Large Square 8x4x3 / 8x3x3 Bale sizes. Our hay nets are known for their generous sizing which makes them super easy to fill due to their nice wide-open mouths.
- Please note that the Large Square 8x4x3 / 8x3x3 Bale size is a 'one size fits all' hay
  net, as it will also fit all sizes of round bales, easily adjusting to each size (see over).

## **Fitting a Round Bale Hay Net**

- Sit the round bale on its flat side.
- Place the entire opening of the hay net over & around the top edge of the unopened bale so that the net is positioned ready to pull down the sides of the bale towards the ground, then undo the wrapping or twine holding the bale together (step 1).
  - Note: if your round bale is baled tightly together like lucerne, then you can pull
     ALL twine or string off from around the bale first. However, if your round bale is
     pasture or oaten in which it might fall apart, then by doing Step 1, you have the
     net in position to pull down the sides of the bale quickly as soon as the wrapping
     is fully undone and then the hay net is loosely keeping the hay bale together.
- Pull the net down the whole way around the bale until the drawstring edge is at ground level.
- From here there are two options to secure the net onto the bale.

### **Option 1 - not encapsulating**

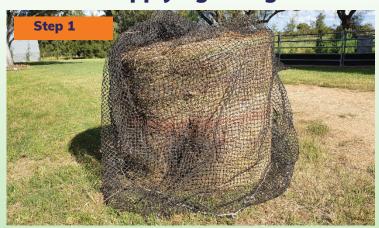
- Pull the drawstring firmly at the base of the net to take up the slack until it becomes firm around the base of the bale (slightly under the bale if possible).
- Tie a new simple knot in the drawstring at the base of the bale to secure it and then find the simple knot at the very end of the drawstring and undo it.
- You can then let this remaining drawstring be loose, secure it back into the net, or put the drawstring underneath the bale. Be sure that the simple knot at the end of the drawstring is undone so there is nothing for legs to become entangled in.
- This method isn't recommended for 4x4's unless a hay ring is used as it is a size that can easily be rubbed or pushed over, therefore exposing the hay bale.

#### Option 2 - encapsulating the bale

- Once the net has been pulled to the bottom of the bale, flip the bale over on its side or 180 degrees so you can then pull the remaining net up to encapsulate the bale.
- The drawstring can then be pulled tight and tied off to secure the net around the bale. Ensure that the simple knot at the very end of the drawstring is undone so there is nothing for a horse's legs to get entangled in.
  - $\circ$  Tip: Use the drawstring to weave any gap together which will also take up more of the drawstring length.
- Once encapsulated you can maneuver your hay bale in its net where you wish and
  either have the opening on top (if you wish to secure drawstring to something
  overhead or open it up from time to time, or you can push your bale over so that the
  drawstring is underneath the bale.

Visit our website www.gutzbusta.com.au for more information or to purchase a GutzBusta Hay Net or any of our other horse and hoof products.

# Fitting a Large Square 8x4x3 'one size fits all' hay net onto round bales OR applying a larger round bale net to smaller bale sizes.



- Fit hay net as per previous page so it is over the entire bale and pulled down to ground level as above.
- Although not done in this picture, for 4x4's Step 2 should be to encapsulate the bale with the netting as in previous page Option 2. 5x4's and 6x4's can be done with either Option 1 or Option 2.



- Then grab one side of the net and pull it firm against one edge of the bale so all the loose netting is all on the other side.
- This shows how much netting you have to roll up out of the way.



 Grab this loose section of netting along the edge and roll the loose edge into the bale.





- Roll the excess netting in so that the net then becomes tight around the bale as pictured in Step 4.
- Step 7: Your completed bale. If you
  do a nice job of this the first time,
  you won't need to redo Steps 2 to 6
  every time.



 Your Large Square 8x4x3 / 8x4x4 hay net will also fit all sizes of round bales making it a truly versatile hay net.



 Using baling twine or rope, secure the extra netting in place to ensure the net remains tight around the bale.

