



# GHOST

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## Buying a Used Ghost Saddle - Tips and Advice

Here at Ghost Saddles we've noticed that many adverts for used saddles do not include all the information that prospective buyers need. To make everyone's lives easier, we've created a list of questions you should ask when looking to buy a second-hand saddle:

- What is the age of the saddle?
- What layers do the panels consist of? (see photos below)
- What length is the saddle (make sure this will fit your horse and you! Ghost Saddles come in Grande 18", Piccolo 17", and Bambini 16")
- More modern saddles since 2018 have a serial number on the small leather flap above the girth billets - we recommend asking for this if it's there
- If it comes with a pad, what foam inserts are included

If you would like to know the date of manufacture, plus a brief summary of the details of a saddle, we can provide this from our records (**only applicable for saddles with a serial number**). Contact our International Distributor Don van der Ende on [info@ghostsaddle.com](mailto:info@ghostsaddle.com)

Some Ghost dealers in each country will provide you with fitting advice for a used saddle. Please be prepared to pay either a flat-rate or hourly fee for their time and expertise.

## Price

Used Ghost saddles hold their value very well. We always recommend checking the price of a used saddle against that of a new one. The prices in different countries may vary due to local taxes, import fees, and shipping costs.

# Things to look out for

## Seat style

Newer saddles (since November 2019) do not have any stitching on the seat (unless you've requested a stitched seat!). Older models have a single stitched line at the back of the seat.



**Old seat style with stitched cantle line    New seat style with no stitching**

## Panels

Panels became wider and with an additional layer of thin grey formo in January 2017. You may need to upgrade panels on an older saddle to improve spinal clearance.

Older style saddles have a striped sympanova on the underside of the panels, rather than the honeycomb woven style which we currently use.



**Current panel contents** - thin grey formo, blue HD foam, black foam and a layer of thin black foam on the inside of Sypmanova pocket

## Pommel and Base

From January 2017 onwards, the pommel and base have both been reinforced for additional support for horse and rider.



### **Current base style**

From September 2020, the pommels sit slightly lower.



**Old pommel angle**

**New pommel angle**

### **Spongebobs**

Strange name, we know! These are the little covers that sit over the girth straps if you have a sliding-v style girth. These were added as standard from December 2018. Older saddles may have them added too as they can be purchased separately.



### **Warranty**

The warranties offered with new Ghost Saddles vary from country to country. Within the EU they are normally covered by warranty for two years. Whether this is transferable on a used saddle or not depends what country you live in and whether the seller provides a written contract. This is not something we can advise on.