

Cowboy Clothes

- Cowboy Hat- a hat with a wide brim to protect from sun, overhanging brush, and the elements. There are many styles, initially influenced by John B. Stetson's "Boss of the Plains", a design blending elements of the Mexican sombrero and both Union and Confederate Calvary hats of the Civil War period.
- Bandanna- a large cotton neckerchief that has many uses, like mopping up sweat and masking the face from dust storms.
- Cowboy Boots- a boot with a high top to protect the lower legs, pointed toes to help guide the foot into the stirrup, and high heels to keep the foot from slipping through the stirrup while working in the saddle; with or without detachable spurs.
- Chaps- a pair of flared leather leggings that protect the rider's legs while on horseback, especially while riding through heavy brush or during rough work with livestock.
- Jeans or other sturdy, close-fitting trousers made of canvas or denim, designed to protect the legs and prevent the trouser legs from snagging on brush, equipment or other hazards. Properly made cowboy jeans also have a smooth inside seam to prevent blistering the inner thigh and knee while on horseback.
- Gloves, usually of deerskin or other leather that is soft and flexible for working, yet provides protection when handling barbed wire, tools or clearing native brush and vegetation.

