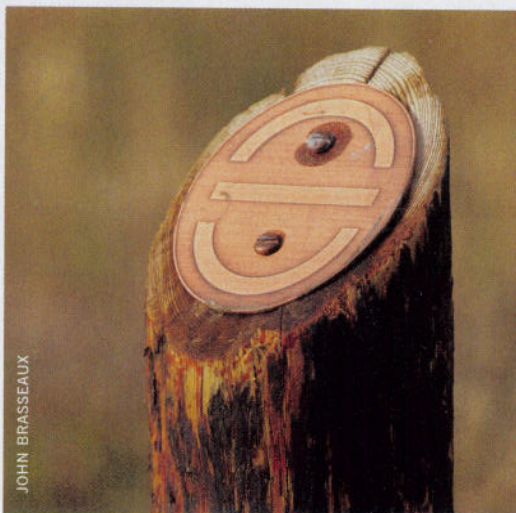


BEHIND THE BRAND

# Wagonhound

**T**his brand is used by Wagonhound Land & Livestock Company. The shape resembles the “hound” that binds the axles to a horse-drawn wagon. The ranch is named after nearby Wagonhound Creek, which was so difficult for pioneers to cross that many broke the hounds on their wagons.

Located near Douglas, Wyoming, Wagonhound Ranch raises about 3,500 head of Red Angus cattle. It also features a premier horse training and breeding program, with mares and stallions that have won money at major National Cutting Horse Association shows and other prestigious events.



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EDITOR'S CHOICE

# Giant Rubber Water Tanks

MY HORSES EAT THEIR GRAIN from a couple of individual feed troughs made from old rubber tires turned inside out, with plywood nailed to the bottom. My dad made those more than 20 years ago, and other than replacing their wooden base, they've withstood the test of time. Old tires don't rust, crack or bend. Even being lifted and tossed into the air by hungry horses hasn't weakened their resilience.



That's why I was drawn to Diamond 7 Bar's Giant Rubber Water Tanks. A family-run guest ranch and outfitter business in Alva, Wyoming, the operation makes about 5,000 large rubber water tanks each year. Made from the large mining trucks, these tanks can hold up to 1,800 gallons. “They're anywhere from six to 12 feet in diameter,” says Brasseaux. “We deliver them all over the United States.”

The idea came to Reilly's father, Gerald Mahoney, about 30 years ago while taking a tour of a local coal mine. Impressed with the huge piles of scrap tires there and frustrated with the short life-span of his water troughs, he acquired a scrap tire from the mine. He invented a hydraulic press to flatten the sidewall, and then his new creation developed into a business.

Today, Giant Rubber Water Tanks, Inc., works with numerous tire-disposal businesses and sells its unique water tanks throughout the western United States. Tires are often shipped directly from the customer, then staff members arrive to custom cut the tire. The tanks are sealed with concrete, bentonite, a fiberglass or metal plate, or a combination of these materials.

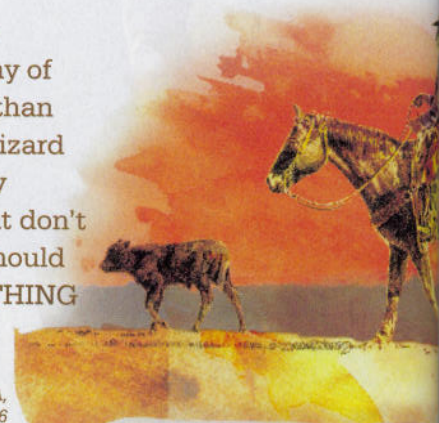
The thick, hard rubber makes tanks durable against corrosion, freezing temperatures and weather.

Tanks are typically sold by the truckload, which keeps costs low. Tanks are typically \$300 per six-foot tank, or \$600 per 12-foot tank. For more information, visit [giantrubberwatertanks.com](http://giantrubberwatertanks.com), or call (307) 467-5786.

## WESTERN EXCERPTS

There's been heaps of definitions coined anent this Cowboy and some of them pretty salty; but too many of them overlook the fact that a good cowboy is more than a man with guts and a horse, who can rope like a wizard and ride anything that wears hair. Those are mighty potent qualifications and sure enough desirable, but don't overlook that to be a real, top hand buccaroo, one should have, above all else, that natural God-given SOMETHING that's born in one and seldom acquired ... good Horse and Cow sense. 🐾

—JO MORA,  
TRAIL DUST AND SADDLE LEATHER, 1946



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