

## SupaStuds instructions for use with ShoeSecure®

SupaStuds have been designed to make the whole process of studding-up easier, faster and safer. You will still need to remove stones and/or excess dirt from the stud hole, and use a spanner to insert/tighten your studs, but you will no longer need to tap the hole first.

Your farrier needs to make ordinary stud holes in your shoes, threaded as normal with a standard 3/8" Whitworth thread.

1. If you plug your stud holes, remove your plug by the most appropriate method (this will depend on the type of plug you use –If you do not use plugs, remove the excess dirt and debris from the stud hole using your hoofpick or other preferred method: we find a horseshoe nail works best, but you need to ask your farrier to take the sharp end of the nail off before you use this method, or use a nail that is well worn.
2. Once you have most of the dirt and debris out of the stud hole, simply pick up the ShoeSecure ® SupaStud you want to use and screw it carefully into the stud hole (it goes in clock-wise). Push the stud through the ShoeSecure ® and push down into the stud hole of the shoe. Make sure that you are screwing it in with the thread in the hole and that you haven't "cross-threaded" it – if the stud seems to be going in crookedly take it out and try again.
3. Once you have screwed the stud as far as you can with your fingers (this may not be very far at all, depending on the state of the stud hole!) use a spanner to tighten it. You should find that the stud will screw in all the way up to the stud's shoulder [ie where the flat base of the stud meets the neck]. Once you get to this point, give the stud one last quarter turn with the spanner if you can – this locks the stud in place against the shoe and should prevent it from loosening in use.

### TIPS FOR SUCCESS

- Unless you have used your studs very recently (in the last few days), it usually helps to prepare the stud holes the night before.
- **Make sure you keep your studs clean, with the slot and base clear of mud, as they won't work properly if these are clogged up. The best thing to do is to clean your studs straight after you take them out, before they go back in your stud box or on your magnetic tray.**