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HOW TO MAKE A BRIDLE TAPE INSERTING TOOL

Take a piece of coat hanger wire about 6 inches long and bend a dog leg near one end. Cut the short leg of the dog leg so it is about 1/8 inches long. Sharpen this short end to a two point fork with fairly sharp points.

Take a damper block that has a metal insert and drill a hole to install a center pin in the block on the side opposite the screw but parallel to the screw. Shorten a center pin so that about 3/16 inch will be sticking out when it is installed. Insert the center pin so that the point is sticking out (depending on how tight the hole is you may want to use some glue). You may want to sand off some of the damper block if it is a real thick one.

The handle is made from a piece of wood about 3/4 inch square and 3 inches long. Round off the corners and bevel the top of the end the wire will go in. Drill a hole for the coat hanger wire about 1-1/2 inches deep in one end of the handle.

Put the damper block on the coat hanger wire and insert the wire in the handle. If the handle is loose on the wire put some glue in the hole first.

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