# VERMEER<sup>™</sup> NET



## **PROTECT YOUR HAY WITH VERMEER<sup>™</sup> NET**

Choosing Vermeer<sup>™</sup> Net isn't just about improving bale appearance. It's an investment that protects the time and energy you've put into growing forage; above all else, it's a statement that says the nutritional quality of your bales is something worth protecting.

Choose Vermeer Net before you bale to help save time in the fields and better control your storage outcomes.

## WHY TYLER KNIGHT **SWITCHED TO VERMEER NET**



#### Kev features:

- Made with high-density polyethylene (HDPE) for superior net strength
- Improved bale appearance with little net stretch
- Optimum net spread to cover square-shouldered bales from one side to the other
- Convenient handling with handgrips on net packaging

#### **Reduced hay loss**

Strong netwrap, like Vermeer Net, can keep the bale wrapped tighter compared to using twine. This allows producers to take better care of their hay. Tighter and denser bales create improved water-shedding capabilities for reduced hay loss.

For third-generation farmer Tyler Knight, creating the best bale of hay is about more than just hay quality. It's about making a product he can be proud of — a better bale for his customers and for himself.

Unfortunately for Knight — who operates a 100-head cowcalf beef operation and custom hay business in Lowry City, Missouri — the quest to create the best bale came with a few hiccups along the way. The first thing he did was upgrade from an old twine baler to a netwrap baler, but things were still not quite right.

"I actually don't own a Vermeer baler," Knight explained, "The baler I have has its own netwrap that is recommended to use, and I stuck with that and continued to stick with that even though I was continuously having bale loss. I was having close to 10–20% loss of my hav bales from the rippage."

#### Fast bale wrapping

When using netwrap, 1-3 turns of the bale are necessary for an ideal bale wrap, compared to using twine, which requires at least eight revolutions. That equates to savings in time, labor, fuel and materials.

#### Wet and dry protection

One of the best features of Vermeer Net is its versatility to be used when baling both wet and dry hay. Use netwrap before wrapping the bale in plastic film to help keep the bale tight and repel oxygen from entering baleage. You won't want to go back to the way you did it before.

#### Improved shape durability

For operators who sell their hay, netwrapped bales often keep their shape better and have squarer shoulders — making them more visually appealing, more efficient to stack and better able to withstand handling and hauling.

With a bale count of 2500-5000 a year, the losses were really starting to add up as he knew he couldn't charge his customers for the ripped bales. Knight contacted his baler manufacturer to inspect his baler, but they just couldn't find an explanation for the ripped bales.

"I had the (baler's maintenance team) come out and look at my baler several times to try to figure out the problem," Knight said.

With no solution from his manufacturer's team and his profit margins hanging in the balance, he did something a little out of the box — he called a Vermeer maintenance tech. Even though he didn't own a Vermeer baler, he was ready for any help he could get.

After Vermeer assessed the situation, they discovered the baler was not at fault; it was the netwrap that continued to malfunction. The Vermeer maintenance tech's solution was for Knight to demo a roll of Vermeer Net. The demo roll yielded 50

#### Multiple size options

Want to switch to Vermeer Net but don't own any yellow iron? No problem — Vermeer Net fits most balers. If your 4 ft x 5 ft (1.2 m x 1.5 m) baler is equipped with a netwrap system, one of the Vermeer Net sizes will likely work.

#### ROLL WIDTH

48 in (121.9 cm) 48 in (121.9 cm) 51 in (129.5 cm) 51 in (129.5 cm) 53 in (134.6 cm)\* 64 in (162.6 cm) 64 in (162.6 cm) 67 in (170.1 cm) 67 in (170.1 cm)

more rolls.

"I ended up doing 347 bales in one day (with Vermeer Net) and I didn't miss one bale," Knight said. "After that I was a pretty firm believer — since then I've ordered 10 more rolls of Vermeer Net - haven't had one miss yet."

Now that he's making a better bale for his customers, Knight says he's been hearing nothing but positive feedback.

"You can produce a nice tight bale — you're able to keep a bale longer than a year with less spoilage," Knight said. "My customers have found that they're able to keep hay a lot better and it's more efficient for their operations."

And that's why Tyler Knight switched to Vermeer Net. Learn more at Vermeer.com/Netwrap

ROLL LENGTH
5000 ft (1524 m)
9840 ft (3000 m)
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9840 ft (3000 m)
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7000 ft (2133 m)
8800 ft (2682 m)
7000 ft (2133 m)
8000 ft (2438 m)

\*Only to be used in limited Vermeer balers. Contact your dealer for details.

ideally wrapped bales, causing Knight to immediately order two



## MADE WITH **HEAVY-DUTY** HDPE FOR DURABILITY

Bales wrapped with Vermeer Net can hold bales together tightly. The tighter and denser you can keep a bale, the more water it will shed density allows less water to enter the bale meaning you can expect less hay loss.





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