

The SPUR

O.R.Huff	G.A. Bischoff	Buermann "OK"	Mexican Charros vertical	Texas Prison System	Bayers & 2 Anchor singles	Colonial Texas	Leon River Mercantile v
Crockett	K.B.&P. v	E.F. Blanchard	Mexican Charros vertical	C.P. Shipley	O.A. Vogel	KB & P vertical	Leon River Mercantile v
C.P. Shipley	K.B.&P. v	Texas Prison System	Don Ricardo	Bianchi vertical	Randy Butters	KB & P vertical	Kelly
Bianchi	Billy Klapper	Loyd Messenger vertical	(see below)*	Bianchi vertical	McChesney	Buermann singles	Garcia Saddlery
McChesney vertical	Hall	Loyd Messenger vertical	Bill Heisman	Crockett-Renalde	A.L. Smith	PK&B vertical	Garcia
McChesney vertical	Ricardo	Buermann "Pat'D"	McChesney	Kelly Brothers vertical	Kelly Brothers	PK&B vertical	McChesney (Lock Rowel)
Bayers	Carl Hall	McChesney	Messing & Sons 1885	Kelly Brothers vertical	Singles - Rowel styles	Mexican brass	Ricardo vertical
Crockett	Garcia vertical	Edward H. Bohlin	Kelly	Terry Alward	Visalia	Crockett	Ricardo vertical
Joe Spiller	Garcia vertical	Bayers	Bill Adamson vertical	Ernie Marsh	Randy Butters	Crockett vertical	Bill Heisman
Hall vertical	Colonial European	Buermann "Eureka" v	Bill Adamson vertical	North & Judd vertical	Anchor (North & Judd)	Crockett vertical	Buermann "OK"
Hall vertical	Edward H. Bohlin	Buermann "Eureka" v	Buermann	North & Judd vertical	Tom Johnson	Crockett-Renalde	Terry Alward
Kelly	Billy Klapper vertical	Crockett	Crockett vertical	Kelly	Kelly	Texas Prison Sys. v	Harvey
Crockett	Billy Klapper vertical	Garcia	Crockett vertical	Pate Boone	Crockett	Texas Prison Sys. v	Randy Butters
Hall	Pate Boone	Bianchi	Crockett	Fleming	J.O. Bass #1490	Texas Prison Sys.	Maness

Spur Lovers Have Another *Point Of Pride...*

Not a lot of Texans know that Gatesville (Coryell County) is the "*Spur Capital of Texas.*" The community was so designated (HCR #197) on May 15, 2001, by the 77th Legislature of the State of Texas, thanks to the efforts of State Representative Sid Miller, the Coryell Museum and Historical Center Board, and the fact that Lloyd "Coach" Mitchell amassed what has been said to be "the largest spur collection in the world," donated to the Museum by the family upon his death.

Spurs from the Lloyd and Madge Mitchell Collection, including a few owned privately by Mary Catherine Mitchell and Wayne and Natha Mitchell, were the exclusive subjects of this montage. While there are a few notable examples of contemporary spur makers' work, this montage includes primarily spurs by historical Texas and southwestern makers. The photography was done at the Museum, on ranches owned by Mary Catherine Mitchell, Wayne and Natha Mitchell, and at the Leon River Mercantile in Gatesville. Scores of props were provided by Cotton and Carolyn Davidson, Mary Catherine Mitchell, Wayne Mitchell, and Rufino Lopez (Leon River Mercantile).

The Museum's 7,000+ spur collection includes many pairs of men's and ladies' boots and spurs; Spanish, French, Moroccan, Filipino, German, South American, Russian Czar, English, Mexican and Italian spurs; military spurs, rodeo spurs, novelty spurs; spurs with historical significance, and those once owned by celebrities ranging from famous cowboys to movie stars, Pancho Villa and Jacquelyn Kennedy.

*Image is a granite marker at the entrance of Coryell Museum & Historical Center, engraved with initials of Lloyd Mitchell.

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