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### Training Information

Training programs may be designed for the needs of each horse and owner and their individual goals. Owners may have their horses trained in their absence or while they are present and participating. The trainers can work on dressage, jumping, lunging and groundwork and trail riding. We value a well-rounded education that incorporates all of these skills. Our objective is to create horses that are well mannered, calm, confident and balanced.

**Ground Work:** Our training program begins with proper handling and training before mounting. Horses are educated in-hand to ensure that they are attentive to their handler and respectful of the handler's space and commands. We educate horses on walking, trotting and halting in hand. We also work all of our horses on the lunge or long reins to develop a stronger and rounder top line, bi-lateral suppleness, balance and confidence.

**Dressage:** We can provide dressage training from the Introductory Level through Fourth Level. Without the softness, relaxation, strength and obedience obtained through dressage, no horse can reach its full potential as an athlete and partner. Our dressage training focuses on creating calm, supple and forward moving horses.

**Jumping:** All of our horses are educated to jump calmly and with confidence over all sorts of obstacles. Horses should be taught to trot into gymnastic exercises while they develop a straight form over fences and learn to use their backs properly. We have stadium jumps that include flowers, gates and tarps on the ground lines. We have several natural cross country obstacles and are happy to trailer to other cross country facilities.

**Trail Riding:** It is our opinion that all horses should be ridden outside of the arenas. All of our horses are warmed up and cooled down with walks around the lanes on the property. If an owner is interested, we are happy to trail ride their horse and show them all kinds of new terrain, rivers and creeks encountered on our trail network. Horses will be taught to hack out alone and in a group.

The chief trainer studied in England and holds the British Horse Society Horsemasters/Prelim. Instructor Certificate. A former successful preliminary level event competitor, she currently competes at Fourth Level Dressage. The assistant trainer is an HA graduate of the United States Pony Clubs. She has trained and competed in the United Kingdom and Australia in dressage and eventing.

