



OPENING GAITS
THERAPEUTIC RIDING SOCIETY



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**We are looking to borrow up to 10 horses
from mid August 2022 – until the end of May 2023**

Being a therapeutic riding horse is a difficult job and not every horse is cut out for this type of program. Above all, the horse must be sound and have a calm, willing temperament. In our program a typical therapy horse participates in a maximum of two 1-hour classes per day and will be used 3-4 days per week. Our riders usually have a volunteer to guide the horse with a halter and lead through a series of patterns in an arena at a walk or trot (never a canter). We ride with English saddles, Western saddles, foam saddles, and bareback pads depending on the needs of each individual client.

Requirements

A therapy horse must be very quiet and patient with the riders.

Bomb proof and able to handle excitable riders.

No shoes, bit or blanket required.

Preference 14.2 - 15 hands

Able to carry up to 175 pounds plus tack.

In return:

We pay for board, hay, farrier and basic vets visits (deworming, vaccinations).

Your horse will be treated with the utmost respect & we never allow anyone to harm the horse.

Barn Manager(s) live on site, 24/7, beautiful arena, stalls and paddocks.

Horses/ponies meticulously groomed & hooves picked, before and after each class.

Horses are kept outdoors in a large paddock and are hay fed as necessary.

Transportation of horses to and from the facility is the responsibility of the owner. Transportation can be arranged at cost.

Loan papers issued.

We ride out of at Bar None Ranches, DeWinton, AB.

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