



Horses @ HOME

Intro to Agricultural Equine Science classes
Bridleheart Crossing Farm, Waxhaw, NC

This series of classes will help you get started preparing for a horse of your own or learning about horses as a Home-school Unit Study or school project. In addition to owning and competing horses, our instructors have decades of experience teaching mounted and unmounted skills including U.S. Pony Clubs, Inc. and 4-H programs.

When: Mondays or Thursday grades K-6
Tuesdays or Fridays grades 7-12
Saturdays all age groups

Time: 9:30-11:00am (rain or shine)

Fee: \$20 a class (per family)
\$75 a course (per family)

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Please wear outdoor clothes and enclosed shoes or boots (no sandals).
Pre-registration with payment is required.
Classes are limited to 10 families.

Course 1 Topics March 1-27, 2010

- 1 Around Horses
 - Barn and Riding attire
 - Safety with horses
 - Farm safety
 - Choosing instruction
- 2 Daily Horse Care
 - How to clean stalls
 - Composting!
 - Watering
 - Feeding, salt and supplements
- 3 Pasture Management
 - Grass and hays
 - Poisonous plants and debris
 - Fences
 - Runoff
- 4 Farm Maintenance
 - Boarding vs. home care
 - Riding arenas, footing, jumps, and trails
 - Tractors
 - Additional tractor tools

Course 2 Topics April 5-May 1, 2010

- 1 Hippology
 - Horse parts, height, breeds, colors, and markings
 - Riding disciplines
 - Tack, care and fitting
 - Choosing a horse
- 2 Needs of horses
 - Barn stalls and Turnout shelters
 - Horse blankets
 - Grooming and bathing
 - TLC and treat safety (meet our horses)
- 3 Handling horses
 - Previous training and temperament evaluation
 - Communication with horses
 - Catching and haltering
 - Ground manners
- 4 Equine Health
 - Ferrier care
 - Deworming and parasites
 - Annual Veterinarian vaccinations and tooth exam
 - Lameness, TPR, and illnesses

We look forward to sharing the lifestyle of horsemanship with you!
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