

OWNING A SHOW HORSE EXPECTATIONS AND PURCHASING NEEDS:

Show horse ownership is difficult because you own something but have limited access to it and limited control over it; Justin and Kati work very hard to make sure your horse has the best care and training.

This is NOT boarding, this is show horse training.

ALL SHOW HORSES ARE CHOSEN BY KATI AND JUSTIN FOR THE RIDER. KATI AND JUSTIN WILL DO THE SEARCH.

SEARCH ETIQUETTE:

- Kati and Justin do the search; no one else should be looking for horses for any other client or themselves. No one should be suggesting what another rider should or should not have.
- No monies should be discussed with anyone beyond Justin/Kati and rider/parent we are purchasing horse for. Pricing of purchased horses should always be kept between the parties. Discussing horse pricing or budgets for a horse search is both a bad business decision and seen as unmannerly. A horse increases and decreases in value over time depending on the phase of its life, record, health, rider level, rider ability, and circumstance.
 - a. Do not ask someone what they paid for or lease a horse for. This is unmannerly; a similar question as to asking a woman her age or weight.
- No other trainer/instructor or teammate should have any input or be asked anything by any of our clients. All professional input and communication should happen through Kati and Justin
 - a. We know people you do not know and we know about trainers you don't want to be involved with.
 - b. No one else knows what your rider's skill level, weaknesses, strengths, needs, and projections are more than we do.
 - c. Not all trainers know what they're talking about. In reality, fewer people know what they're talking about than you would realize.
 - d. There are a thousand rules and limitations to show and academy horses based on their age, your rider's age level, the class they're best suited for, their shoeing regulations, medical regulations, and a thousand other little bits of info...not only do we have to know our own region's rules (ASAC), we have to know the national rules (USEF), and show regulations as well. THESE ARE ALWAYS CHANGING AND EVOLVING.
 - e. You should trust us in this purchase. If you feel you need a ton of input from others on a horse or your/your students ability to ride it then you are not ready to purchase a horse with us. There should be no other clients or trainers/instructors involved with the search/purchase.
 - f. Justin/Kati should facilitate all communication with other instructor/trainer we are purchasing from.
 - g. REMEMBER: MUDDIED WATER = CONFUSION FOR YOU
 - h. No horse will be brought into Silvers Stables for any customer without being a product of Justin/Kati's search.
- Horse Budget = prices vary and outcomes vary
 - a. Rescue Horses not allowed for client purchase

Personal Requirements:

- In order to have or lease your own horse, you must be:
 - a. Reliable with your weekly appointments
 - b. Able to ride through entire group and private lessons with no breaks / stops

Horse Purchase Requirements:

- You must also purchase / remember these yearly payments:
 - a. Stall Plate (See Kati)
 - b. Trainer's Purchase Fee – 10% with minimum of \$1000
 - c. Hauling (varies by distance)
 - d. Supplements (varies by horse, is not always permanent)
 - e. Deworming program - \$40 at least twice a year
 - f. Dental estimation (\$200-\$300 twice a year)
 - g. Regular Vet Work (\$200-\$250 twice a year)
 - h. Farrier Bills (Academy = \$100 and up, Perf = \$150 - \$200 and up, every six weeks)
 - i. Halter – show halter and work halter (\$150) and Fleece (black for show, white for barn)
 - i. Show Halter: <https://www.fennells.com/black-chrome-show-halter-with-adj.-chin-and-snap.html>
 1. Name plate to go with show halter (needs to have horse's full registered name on show halter): <https://www.fennells.com/engraved-chrome-3-4-name-plate.html>
 - ii. Work Halter: *horse may come with one
 1. Suggested halter but ask before purchasing another (make sure to get name plate with horse's barn name or registered name on it): <https://www.fennells.com/brown-show-halter-with-adj.-chin-and-snap.html>
 - iii. Fleece – show: BLACK - https://walshproducts.com/products/synthetic-fleece-halter-cover-crown-nose-383?_pos=6&_sid=9214f2f8f&_ss=r
 - iv. Fleece – barn: WHITE - https://www.amazon.com/dp/B002HVYNWG?ref=nb_sb_ss_w_as-reorder-t1_ypp_rep_k0_1_15&_amp&_crd=F6OJM0E76UGX&_amp&_sprefix=tough+on+fleece
 - j. Show Lead
 - i. <https://www.fennells.com/leather-lead-shank-chrome-chain.html>
 - ii. Add name plate with your first initial and last name or first and last name:
 1. <https://www.fennells.com/engraved-chrome-nameplate.html>
 - k. Bridle and Bits
 - i. You have two options for bridle if the horse is not purchased with one. Ask Kati to help you compile your bridle online before purchasing. ****DO NOT BUY WITHOUT TALKING TO KATI/JUSTIN FIRST**
 1. Fennell's - <https://www.fennells.com/horse-equipment/bridlework/show-bridles.html>
 2. Freedman's - <https://freedmanharness.com/collections/show-bridles>
 - ii. A link will be sent to you personally for the purchase of your bits.
 - l. Horse Insurance – See Kati for this.
 - m. Monthly Tuition (Academy Horse Ownership starts at \$650, performance starts at \$1000)
 - i. If an academy horse becomes unusable or can no longer do academy, needs to move up to performance to be trained/returned, changes in tuition/board apply (horse must meet certain requirements for board/lesson decrease and to qualify for shows as an academy horse)
 - n. Radon Sheets / Coat for Horse (approximately \$600)
 - i. We are a team: Every owned horse in the barn is to wear the same clothes, have the same attire.
 - ii. Each horse is required to have:
 1. Two Radon Show Sheets
 2. One Radon Show Coat

3. One Radon Scrim Sheet
 - a. All Radon Sheets should have black background with red lettering and lining (please make sure initials or name is on hip of sheet)
 - b. Radon = <http://www.radoninc.com/pricing/default.aspx>
- o. Acavallo Pad (required for all performance, suggested for all academy)
 - i. <https://freedmanharness.com/collections/saddle-pads/products/freedman-acavallo-memory-foam-gel-silicone-xl-pad>
- p. Switches/ Switch Rental Fees (performance only and varies per horse)
- q. Tail Set - BLACK (with black fleece) – speak to Justin on what items to choose on your horse’s tail set: <https://freedmanharness.com/products/freedmans-tail-sets>
- r. Other items will be purchased by owner as needed

Barn Storage:

- What should stay at the barn that goes with my horse?
 - a. Radon Sheets / emergency sheets / blankets
 - b. Your groom box
 - c. Acavallo pad (stays on top of your saddle)
 - d. Radon Saddle cover (if you own a horse, this can be kept in your box)
 - e. Two tubs of items at maximum
 - i. These tubs must stack and hold all of you and your horse’s personal items. You really should only need one tub.
 - f. PLEASE REMEMBER: The barn should not be a storage unit for personal items even if they are horse related. Only items used for training your horse, required by us, or asked by us to be kept here should be in storage here. Please make sure you tidy up your items and take home anything that should not be stored here. Please make sure what should remain is properly stored in the two tubs.
 - g. Don’t just buy stuff; ask first.