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How to Evaluate a Horse for Retirement

A horse is considered retired when it is no longer ridden, trained or used for work. There is no single retirement age for horses. How long a horse can work until can't work anymore depends on how it was fed and how it was kept through its life. Because of this, determining whether to retire a horse can sometimes get tricky. However, there are some general signs a horse that is ready to retire will display.

- Look for signs of reduced vitality. Even young horses need to rest between training sessions so they don't lose interest and to avoid injuries caused by exhaustion. As they get older, horses need more and more days off. If you notice your horse consistently needs more than one day before it feels like training again, take it as a sign that it's getting too old to train.
- Observe the time it takes for your horse to warm up. Normally, a horse needs 15 or 20 minutes to warm up. If it starts needing about 45 minutes of warming up before its ready, it's time to retire it.
- Watch for changes in the horse's attitude. If your horse starts to display a lack of enthusiasm for work, training or any activities that it used to enjoy, it might be trying to tell you its tired. Fatigue and general disinterest in anything but rest are both signs of a horse ready for retirement.
- Watch for signs of reduced endurance. Another way you can tell your horse is ready for retirement is when it starts displaying signs of poor coordination and becomes weaker. If it sways when you mount it, frequently starts to lose balance or stumbles, it is no longer suitable for riding.



Horse Retirement Facilities

- [Aledos Riverside Ranch](#) - A 30-acre horse retirement and boarding facility. Pastures, stalls, and arenas available. Located in Random Lake, Wisconsin - (920) 994-1128.
- [Anchor Ranch](#) - Retirement home for horses on 300 acres of pasture in southern Oregon. Includes list of provisions, charges, and land accommodations - (541) 837-3611.
- [Apple River Ranch](#) - Horse care and boarding for retirement horses, details of facilities and prices. Galena, Illinois - (815) 591-3819.
- [Aurora Farms Retirement Farm](#) - Horse retirement facility located on 30 acres of pasture. Features photographs and profiles of the current residents. Rates and services listed. Located in Shelbyville, Kentucky - (502) 747-9980.
- [Blue Ridge Dream Farm](#) - Offers full care boarding. Includes description of facility, list of services, rates, and photos. Located in Montvale, Virginia - (540) 947-1828.
- [California Equine Retirement Foundation](#) - Retirement and rehabilitation facility for former racing and performing horses. Includes pictures and brief histories of organizations' current horses. Located in Winchester, California, (951) 926-4190.
- [Hart-Trot Crossing Horse Retirement](#) - Offering quality care to retired horses in Kansas City, Missouri. Provides details of the facilities, lists all services offered and rates, and has two photo galleries - (816) 726-5383.
- [Herd's & Horses](#) - Offers full care boarding. Includes description of services, rates, and photos. Located in Stevinson, California - (209) 485-1385.
- [Last Chance Farm](#) - Full-care retirement farm offering a horse barn, loafing sheds, pastures, and paddocks. Features photos and descriptions of the facilities, plus profiles of past and current residents. Located in Pine Grove, Pennsylvania, (570) 345-3846.
- [Miles Horse Ranch](#) - A full-care facility specializing in retirement and lay-ups. Located in Watsonville, California, (800) 906-2846.
- [Nodaway Farm](#) - Provides retirement, layup and vacation care for horses. Details of facilities, charges and photos. Sequim, Washington State - (360) 582-9514.
- [Paradigm Farm](#) - 100+ acre boarding farm for retired horses. Provides information on boarding packages, services available, and pictures. Located in College Grove, Tennessee.
- [Promises Kept Equine Retirement Farm](#) - Boarding for retired and disabled horses. Details of facilities, services, and photos of residents. Summit, New York - (518) 287 1870.

June Equestrian Events

- **May 30 - June 2, Del Mar - Showpark June Jamboree Festival Horse Show**, Fairgrounds Horsepark, www.showpark.com, 858-481-9085
- **June 1, Lakeside - Wild West Casino Night Fund-raiser**, Victorian Roses Ladies Riding Society, to benefit local San Diego horse rescue, Lakeside Rodeo Grounds, Call 619-322-0009 or email vrlrs@yahoo.com
- **June 1, Flintridge - Eventing Clinic with Wendy Wergeles**, Flintridge Riding Club, call 805-714-7181 or email wergeles@earthlink.net
- **June 1 - Intro To Western Dressage Clinic Presented by Cathy Huddleston**, Cathy Huddleston @ 951-595-9312 for more info
- **June 1, Mariposa - Run for the Gold 25 or 50 mile endurance ride**, AERC West Region of California hosted by the Mariposa Mountain Riders, Becky Hackworth, Ride Manager Joanne Dietz, Assistant Ride Manager Phone: 559-760-6036 Phone: 209-966-5567 Email: bechack@yahoo.com
- **June 1, Fallbrook - Fallbrook Rider's Trail Challenge Series 2013**, Fallbrook Riders Field, Call Nancy Chamberlain at 760-728-2166 or 760-468-0436
- **June 2, Fallbrook - Fallbrook Rider's Trail Challenge Series 2013 - COMPETITION DAY**, Call Nancy Chamberlain at 760-728-2166 or 760-468-0436 evenings before 8:00.
- **June 8 - C&C Arena's Spring Classic Barrel Race Series**. Info at www.chadwaldhauser.com
- **June 22 - C&C Arena's Spring Classic Barrel Race Series**. Info at www.chadwaldhauser.com
- **June 29, Flintridge - Eventing Clinics with Wendy Wergeles**, Flintridge Riding Club Clinics will include, 805-714-7181 or email wergeles@earthlink.net

If you have an event that you would like me to include in an upcoming newsletter, email me the information at

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Electrolytes & Your Horse

What Are Electrolytes?

Basically, electrolytes are solutions of acids, bases or salts. Electrolytes are imperative for normal nerve and muscle function. Typically, electrolytes are distributed throughout the body, but any depletion can result in severe bodily dysfunction causing problems with your horse's heart, gastrointestinal system, muscle cramping or even affecting normal brain function.

Does My Horse Need Electrolytes?

Horses lose valuable electrolytes when they work because the loss of electrolytes primarily occurs through the loss of water. As your horse sweats, concentrated amounts of electrolytes are being lost as well (more concentrated losses than with human perspiration). In fact, for endurance riding, electrolyte supplementation is a valuable component in helping to maintain performance and ensuring your horse's health because of the likelihood of severe electrolyte losses. This loss can also occur with trail riding, polo, racing or any other sport where your horse sweats more profusely than when in your field at home. Because electrolytes are primarily lost through perspiration, the loss of electrolytes is commonly associated with dehydration.

Can I Give My Horse Too Much Electrolytes?

Yes! Electrolytes, just as with most additives to your horse's diet, can be toxic in excessive amounts. Please follow directions on the label of your electrolyte supplement and be aware of your horse's signals. One way that you can tell that you've given your horse an over-dosage of electrolytes, is that you will notice that your horse is urinating frequently and drinking much more water than usual.





Historical Adobe Home with Prime Equestrian Lot

Documented Historical Home on 3.07 acres plus 2.67 Acre adjacent lot. 3 Bed/3 Bath, 3,286 Sq. Ft. Home has been upgraded and has a new master suite. So many details make this home one of a kind...soaring wood beam ceilings, Saltillo tiles throughout, upgraded kitchen & baths, upstairs loft with 3/4 Bath, 3 Car Detached Garage and Potential Guest House, Pool/Spa. Horse Facilities: 4 stall Barn, feed storage, tack room, fly system, 600 ft. well, arena w/ Vinyl fencing, round pen, 4 corrals w/ shed covers & automatic waters, grain hopper, turn-out pasture w/ v-mesh.

Offered at \$779,900 - \$100,000 Below Appraised Value!

Available Properties



Equestrian Estate, Fallbrook - 3.35 Fully Fenced Acres in the Rolling Hills area of Fallbrook, 3,261 Sq. Ft., 4 Bed /4.5 Baths, Maids Quarters with Kitchenette & Full Bath, 4 Stall Barn, Turn Outs, Tack Room, Feed Room, 2nd Barn with 2 stalls, 3 large Pastures, Auto Waterers, White PVC Fencing, Well, 1/5 mile trail around the entire property, main entry gate & separate service entrance.....**Reduced! Offered At \$1,145,000**



Hacienda With Equestrian Business Allowed, Bonsall - 5.82 Privately Gated Acres, 4,960 Sq. Ft. Home, 6 Bed /4.5 Baths, all MD barns match (total 14 shedrow stalls), 1 grass pasture, wash racks, 1,913 sq ft MD storage barn & 3,034 sq ft MD utility building with office, separate trainer/ranch hand quarters. Includes .23 ac lot for total of 6.05 acres. Room for arena & paddocks.....**Offered At \$789,500**



\$100,000 Below Appraised Value!

Historical Adobe Home & Prime Equestrian Lot, Valley Center - 3 Bed / 3 Bath, 3,286 Sq. Ft. on, 5.74 Fenced Acres, Upgraded Home, Detached structure Can Be Converted to Guest Quarters, Horse Facilities: 4 stall Barn, feed storage, tack room, fly system, 600 ft. well, arena w/ Vinyl fencing, round pen, 4 corrals w/ shed covers & automatic waters, grain hopper, turn-out pasture w/ v-mesh.....**Offered at \$779,900**



Designated for Training or Vet Care, Fallbrook - 3 Bed/3 Bath, 1,608 Sq. Ft. updated manufactured home, on, 4.9 Fenced Acres, Turn Key Horse Facilities: dressage arena, schooling arena, 9 stall Barn w/ room to add additional stalls, tack room, hay barn w/ shop & full bath, 1/4 mile jogging track, Grass turn outs, watering systems, Trailer parking , Extra living area for foreman, customized drainage, MORE!!.....**Offered at \$799,999**

Lots & Land



9.38 Acre Lot - Valley Center - All Flat & Usable Land, Horses Allowed, L Designation, the Perfect Property for that Horse Ranch You've Always Wanted, Secluded but Close to All, Studded with California Coastal Oak Trees, Stream on Property Line, Permitted 2,620 Sq. Ft. High Steel Construction Tractor/Equipment Barn, Water Meter, Seller May Carry 1st Trust Deed.....**Reduced To Sell!! \$399,500**



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Thank You For Your Referrals!

Most folks are like a barb-wire fence, they have their good points.
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The Real Estate Corner

San Diego home prices soar 12%



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San Diego home prices have reached their highest level in more than 4 1/2 years, said

the S&P/Case-Shiller Home Price Index on Tuesday.

The local market's index came in at 167.84 in March, the highest since August 2008, according to the monthly report, which has

a two-month lag. March prices are up 12 percent from the same time a year ago. That marks the second double-digit annual increase for two consecutive months.

All 20 U.S. metros featured in the report posted year-over-year increases for the third straight month, the report said. A dozen of those 20 areas recorded double-digit annual growth. When looking at the price performance for all 20 metros together, analysts saw the best year-over-year returns in seven years.

Source: UT San Diego