

Equine Evaluation

Horse: Velvet Completed by: Mary Beth Bandy

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1. Horses Health: Horse was brought to trainer in good health.

2. Body Score: 6 (Based on Hennecke Body Score 1-9 with 5 ideal)

Numbers on this scale are based on 5 being the best and 1 being the worst.

3. Ground Work:

- a. 4 *Walking while being led.*
- b. 5 *Trailer Loading.*
- c. ___ 4 *Round penning.*
- d. ___ 4 *Yielding hind quarters.*
- e. ___ 4 *Direct and Driving.*
- f. ___ 4 *Lunging.*
- g. ___ 3 *Working with rope around feet, flanks, belly, under tail.*
- h. ___ 4 *Lunging while dragging a tarp.*
- i. n/a *Lunging while dragging a log.*
- j. 4 *Doing all the above ground work while under saddle.*
- k. 4 *Doing all the above ground work while saddled and bridled.*
- l. ___ 4 *Haltering & catching.*

4. Working under saddle:

- a. 5 *Mounting.*
- b. ___ 5 *Dismounting.*
- c. 3 *Suppleness side to side.*
- d. 3 *Suppleness vertically.*
- e. ___ 5 *Yielding hind quarters.*
- f. ___ 4 *One rein stops.*
- g. 3 *Two handed stops.*
- h. ___ 4 *Keining using two hands.*
- i. 3 *Reining using one hand (neck reining) .*
- j. 4 *Walking relaxed and with a loose rein.*
- k. 4 *Trotting relaxed and with a loose rein.*
- l. ___ 3 *Loping relaxed and with a loose rein.*
- m. ___ 2 *Collection under saddle.*
- n. ___ 3 *Collection while standing still.*
- o. ___ 3 *Collection while walking.*
- p. ___ 3 *Collection while trotting.*
- q. 2 *Collection while loping.*
- r. ___ n/a *Spookiness while in arena.*

- s. ___ n/a_ Spookiness while outside on trails.
- t. ___ 4 Gait transitions - walk to trot.
- u. ___ 3_ Gait transitions - trot to canter.
- v. ___ 4 Backing.
- w. ___ 2 Sidepassing.
- x. *What does horse tend to spook at while on trails: was not able to get horse out on trails much. Had to many other issues to conquer first.*
- y. *When does horse tend to spook:She is mainly spooky of people not objects!*
- z. *Level of skills rider needs to have to ride in arena:Experienced/intermediate with lessons or help.*
- Level of skills rider needs to have to ride on trails: experienced.*
- Overall score horse has before trial period: 3.*
- Overall score horse has after evaluation: 4*

When I first started working with Velvet, she was beyond scared of new people however only when saddling and riding. She preformed beautifully on hjer ground work. The one major thing I had learned about Velvet was that whoever had her before had taken away all of her trust in people. Once she had some time with me she slowly started to chip away at gaining her trust! She has been through a rough experience however she has it in her to be amazing. Velvet with the right owner who would love on her would really be a wonderful addition to any family!