



# *Paul Dufresne* TRAINING *for* COURAGE

## YOUR EQUINE PARTNER SEARCH

The Search for an Equine partner can be exciting as you try to match your wish list against what a horse is possibly offering you. You can look at photos, read the descriptions, watch the videos ( hopefully informative), then comes the tough questions. Is the horse a match for your level of leadership? Does your personality match up well with theirs? How much are you willing to invest in the learning curve of earning the leadership role in a relationship? Is the horse in your budget? Does a horse offer opportunities for you to try new things? I have found many of the happiest horse owners I see out there are those that have a diversified relationship with their horses - having fun first and then maybe dabbling in competition.

This revised Spring Sales sheet has the latest prices on these horses Although these video don't represent all these horses can do and have to offer at this time they give you a pretty good idea. If weather conditions improve I will be trying to take more updated videos as all of the horses have progressed since. If seriously interested contact me and I will see if I have them available.

Anyone interested has to understand these horses are always in training to improve. So they will be able to perform quite well assuming that the potential owners use some reasonable leadership skills. These horses have been exposed to all kinds of human environments but there are still some things out there that they have never seen or experienced before. Although they are quite good in new situations and environments, prospective owners have to learn to read them so they can tell when they are getting worried.

Too often people think their horse is pretty good and fail to take inventory on the horses emotions from minute to minute. What can easily happen is people compound stressors and then are surprised the horse acts out its concerns. If we keep using the relaxation cues these horses have been trained with they will likely be consistently reliable. So the question is how consistent can you be pay attention - because as leader, it's your responsibility.

All of these horses have a French Classical Foundation combined with solid Horsemanship as well as some endotapping to help ingrain some pretty strong relaxation cues. This makes the horses pretty forgiving of mistakes - mistakes we all will inevitably make.

If anyone is interested in any of these horses I would recommend a great way to get to really know them would be to come here to the Training for Courage Center in Kelowna for an intensive camp. You would get to play with assistance with the horse you're interested in as I train my other horses. This would not only improve your leadership and horsemanship skills but then you would get to know if that horse would be a good fit for you. I'll assist you in testing them and leading them correctly so you can get maximum enjoyment with them.

You can ride either Western or English and play on the trails in addition to other training. I generally spend at least a couple of hours helping folks get to know what these horses can do. Frankly, you have to learn whether you are a good lead for them by experimenting. Experimenting is always easier when it is guided. So even if we decide that a horse is not a suitable match you will have improved your horsemanship skills in the process as well as having a better idea how to check out another potential horse for your partnership in the future.

Of course if you have any questions or concerns please send them my way. Be aware I will be assessing your suitability for any horse at the same time because really, I want to help my horses find a great partnership as well. I will have the right to refuse to sell if I believe it to be in my horse's best interest.

Performance Gelding for sale, Price: \$25,000.

This solid big boned wash & wear gelding is very low maintenance and healthy. He has absolutely the best traits of both breeds with many years left in him.

He moves like a Friesian but is more energetic and quick and more interactive like an Arabian. He has been used as a demo/performance horse with a big repertoire of skills as well as trail riding and swimming. Easy has helped a multitude of horses by ponying them or teaching stallions to not be aggressive and socialize.

You can groom him with blowers and trim his great feet with a grinder. He bows to mount, kneels, downs, has a great sit, climbs objects, Spanish Walk, Pesade, Rear, Piaffe, and decent start on Passage & Capriole. Walk/trot/canter with some CD/Vaquero and Western Dressage and can be ridden without tack. He's also developing great liberty skills and occasionally gets ridden by my dog So-She. Improving his flying leads. He has taught many people in seat lessons and has a fan club, he also is used as a back-up horse at camps in case I have to switch to help participants with their horse they would get to ride Easy

Easy has started performing with the Garrocha as well as working stock with it whether cows or aggressive horses. He has tons of attitude and personality to play with. This horse is better suited for a moderate-advanced leader with some confidence who wants a politely cheeky partner and who loves to try anything and everything. He would be competitive in WE, Cowboy Challenge, Mountain Trail, WD, or Dressage.

This horse has put a lot of smiles on peoples faces!



This slide show is very small compilation of what he does. So many moments have not been photographed. Mr. Versatile is looking for his forever dance partner who wants to keep on learning.

[CLICK HERE FOR EASY'S VIDEO](#)

This is old footage from 3 years ago he is much more advanced in all of his skills. [CLICK FOR OLDER VIDEO](#)

Video courtesy of Laurie Munsel

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**DANZA** DOB: June 2018 Andalusian filly.

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Price is \$25,000

Helena X Mystiques Padrino ( my long time Exhibition stallion, you can check out his you tube videos).

Helena will likely start her show career this year and is a wonderful mare to ride.

This very elegant black filly has lofty light movement and will have her sires agility and hair! She will have beautiful gaits with very natural Passage. Forward but very tractable.

She is quite social but respectful. She has all the yields and can do balanced circles with ease, ponies with other horses or ATV, ties, trailers, grooms with blowers, trims feet ground tied with grinder. She has been introduced to all kinds of props which is great for this bright sensitive filly.

Her foundation at Liberty is also there. She has had a canter re-call at times since 3 month old.

This filly is a good babysitter for our 2019 colts and has been a very good big sister. This well proportioned filly should finish off around 16hh. Danza will be a head turner. If the riding boys go, she is staying!

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Video courtesy of Laurie Munsell

