



Wednesday December 21, 2016

Greetings! ,

Question

I was wondering whether you could give me some advice. I am having some trouble with loading my Thoroughbred onto a horsebox or trailer. She rears up, goes backwards, and gets a bit strong and she's in control of me. The other thing is she doesn't like the noise of her feet touching the ramp. If you have any tips for me, I would love a bit of help with her, because she loves it when I do take her places but can't get her to load so we don't end up going, which I get very disappointed about.

With many thanks.
Lisa Collingridge

Answer

Each of my demonstration evenings concludes with a horse that "won't load." The reason I have chosen loading to be the last event is that it is very often chosen as the favorite segment of my demonstrations. We believe that one of the reasons loading gets high marks is that it is the #1 remedial problem on earth. Virtually everyone who has had a horse or two will have experienced refusing to load.

With this in mind, I have tried to make loading education an important part of my books, videos and public presentations. The [Dually training halter](#) is the centerpiece of the procedures I employ. A long line (10 meters) is also extremely important. Learning the incremental steps to create a desire within the horse to load is essential when we choose NOT to use violence and keep our horses as cooperative as possible.

Most horses resist walking on unfamiliar surfaces. A wooden panel similar to a bridge is a good way to cause the horse to walk on a wooden surface without resistance. One must realize that narrow pathways are also helpful. Horses do not like to enter a dark space, particularly one that is

surrounded by metallic walls. If one thinks for a moment, it becomes clear that that description fits the trailer quite well.

Please accept my invitation to look up as much information as you can from me about loading. It is one of my favorite problems to solve. Do not forget that we have an [Equus Online University](#) with more than 400 lessons on it, and there is a mountain of information that is important to you regarding the elements necessary for non-violent loading. Please keep us posted as to your progress and we wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,



MONTY'S EQUUS ONLINE UNIVERSITY THIS WEEK'S EPISODE



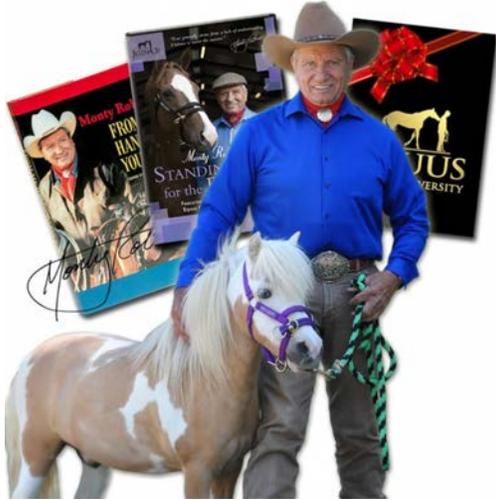
This online video lesson shows how to train your horse to stand still for the farrier. Not a student yet? Click on the buttons below to Join-Up with thousands of horse lovers learning Monty's force-free and fun methods now.



MONTY'S HOLIDAY SPECIALS!

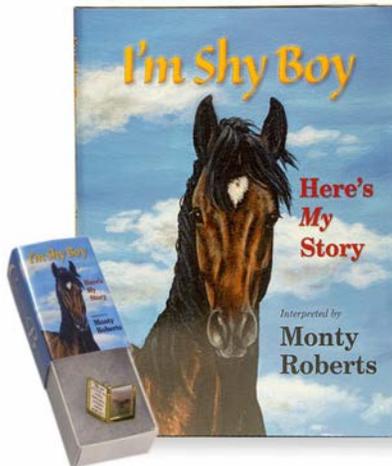
Monty Roberts' NEW packages and a Join-Up Kit cover a range of natural horsemanship subjects fundamental to working with horses. Whether you are just learning to Join-Up with a horse or you want to overcome training and riding challenges and achieve breakthrough results, Monty has your answers. "The Man Who Listens to Horses" has prepared gifts that include his Dually Training Halter and Equus Online videos. New this year are specially packaged charms, each depicting the cover of one of Monty's books (see below).

Go to <https://montyrobertsshop.com/collections/packages> to see all of [Monty's Holiday Specials!](#)



THE JOIN-UP KIT GIFT SET

Monty's Join-Up Kit is in! It has all the tools you need to get started on the journey to Join-Up, including a Dually Halter (your choice of size), Monty's latest DVD "Standing Still for the Farrier," and Monty's autographed textbook, plus a six-month membership to Monty's Equus Online University to keep learning fun and connect with other horse people on their path to force-free training. When you join Monty's Equus Online, you get a new video lesson from Monty each week, plus 24/7 online access to more than 400 archived videos for horse lovers of all levels and disciplines.



I'M SHY BOY BOOK WITH A CHARM

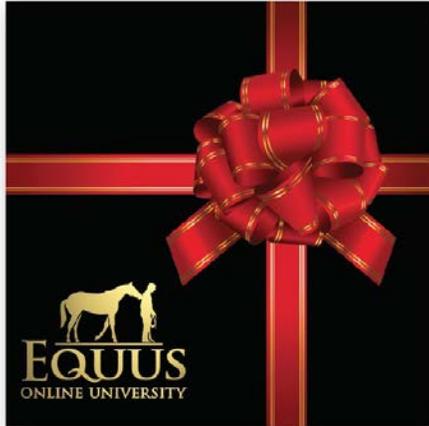
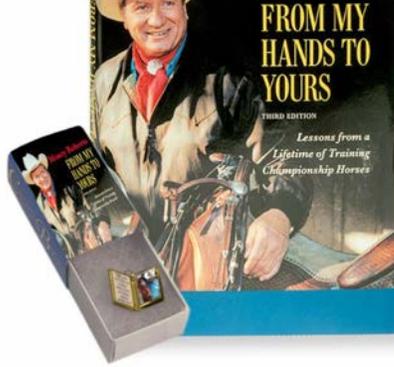
NEW! Inspired by Monty Roberts' famous American Mustang, Shy Boy's story is immortalized on a matching charm with the image of I'm Shy Boy, the book for horse lovers, young and old. Adopted from the BLM by Monty, Shy Boy helped raise awareness of the treasure this breed is in American history. Monty shares the story of his Join-Up with Shy Boy in the wild and their adventures as they enjoy a special bond. Limited availability.

MONTY'S TEXTBOOK WITH A CHARM

NEW! This is the definitive guide to violence-free horse training and Monty's only textbook, now in its third edition. Recognized globally as the Man Who Listens to Horses and credited with revolutionizing the way in which we partner with and train horses, Monty Roberts is still traveling the globe to share his message that choice over force is a better way to be with horses. The book, with its matching charm of the cover, will be appreciated for the depth of detail and message of gentleness as strength.

Limited availability.





UNI GIFT SUBSCRIPTION

Give the gift of learning this holiday season! A subscription to Monty's Equus Online University makes a great gift: no shipping; no wrapping; and over 400 video lessons accessible online 24/7 on how to train a horse gently and with love. For \$60 for 6 months, you can give what I learned from horses over my lifetime. Go to: <https://www.montyrobertsuniversity.com/giftpayments/new>

RETURNING SHOPPERS BONUS

Every order to Monty's Online Store will receive in their shipped package a bonus coupon for 15% off their next order through 12/31/2016.

CHECK OUT MONTY'S NEWEST PRODUCTS!

Charms, Belt Buckles, Crystal Cap, and Monty's "Standing Still for the Farrier" DVD.

WHAT ARE HORSE LOVERS SAYING ABOUT MONTY'S PRODUCTS?

"Every time I pick up [From My Hands to Yours](#) to read and study another chapter, I find something to help me teach or approach my horse in a positive way."

Catherine J.
Verified Buyer
01/20/16

"The [Dually Halter](#) was the best tack money can buy. Thank you, Monty, my Dandy Boy follows me now with no hesitation and has overcome so many insecure problems he had."

Maggie W.
Verified Buyer
09/25/16

HOLIDAY SHIPPING CUTOFF DATES

December 16 FEDEX Ground to USA

December 18 FEDEX International Economy
December 20 FEDEX International Priority
December 21 FEDEX 2-Day to USA

FEDEX estimates are based on most locations, but are subject to your local conditions. Please find up to date delivery quotes at: <https://www.fedex.com/ratefinder/home>

November 30 USPS to Africa and Central & South America
December 3 USPS to all APO/FPO/DPO zip code 093
December 6 USPS outside USA (except Africa and Central & South America)
December 8 USPS to all APO/FPO/DPO zip codes (except zip code 093)
December 19 USPS within USA

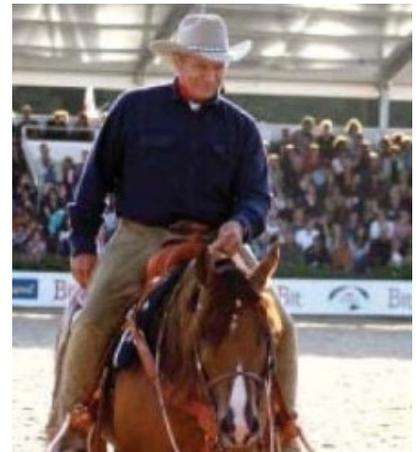
Items ship from the United States from zip code 93463.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monty is home through the end of the year. You are welcome to visit [Flag Is Up Farms](#) and watch Monty's methods in action at his state-of-the-art training facility. The farm gates are open from 9 am to 5 pm daily, with no fee or reservation required.

Ticket information will be available soon to see Monty in Brazil and England in 2017.

Germany March 31: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Munich
Germany April 9: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Redefin
Germany April 20: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Dorsten
Germany April 22: Monty Roberts Germany Tour in Alsfeld
USA July 10 to 21: Gentling Wild Horses California
USA July 31 to August 4: Monty's Special Training



[FULL SCHEDULE HERE](#)

THE MONTY ROBERTS INTERNATIONAL LEARNING CENTER

February 4 to 5, 2017

[Horsemanship 101](#)

February 10 to 12, 2017

[Horse Sense and Healing](#)

February 20 to 23, 2017

[Join-Up Course](#)

February 24 to 25, 2017

[Long Lining Course](#)

[MORE COURSE INFO HERE](#)

MONTY'S PRINCIPLES HORSE SENSE FOR PEOPLE



Dear Monty,

Thank you for the information about the film about LOMITAS. Time passes so quickly... when I saw the picture of him in the newsletter, I thought it would have been only last year that you announced in a video the fading away of that incredible horse ... you had tears in your eyes. It's indeed six years ago !!!

What a pleasure to watch him in that little film. I have been your student for a very long time now... and today I am only 51 years old. The age when your journey of publishing and teaching your methods only began... I hope I will also fill the coming 30 years with many many hours with my beloved HERO and other great horses.

May God give you power and patience to carry on for as long as you love your work!

Warmest regards, your student,

Viola

Alfio's ARS VIVENDI



MONTY'S CHALLENGE

Test yourself each week as I challenge you to answer the question below. I mean this. Sit down and write an answer. Don't wait for my answer next week. If you have been reading my Weekly Questions and Answers for the last six months, you should be in a position to do this. Send your answer to my team at: askmonty@montyroberts.com

Why should you bother? Because it will help you focus. There is probably a comparable question in your life that needs answering - or will be. If you can gain insight into how to go about answering a practical question that is loosely related to your problem, this exercise will help you answer your nagging question. Then read my answer. I want all of my students to learn to be better trainers than me. That's good for you and good for horses!

~ Monty

NEXT WEEK'S QUESTION

Dear Monty,

I hope you could help as I have a very nervous, untrusting horse he's a 15.2hh coloured trotter cross I have gained after the last year total trust with him and he is actually completely different from when we first met. When he feels threatened or scared he tends to hide behind me. I've got him to the stage now where I can lunge with full tack and no problem, I have also stood on a mounting block and leaned over his back but I am now at the stage where I feel a little nervous to completely sit on his back.

As I don't want to ruin or destroy all the trust that we have gained with it goes potentially wrong and never be able to feel the love, trust and bond that we currently have as he is very special to me. Even though I have previously owned many horses, he has definitely stolen my heart for some strange reason. I have photographs showing severe neglect where he was obviously starved and apparently beaten for a year or two of his life which made him mentally scarred, please can you help? As I would love nothing more than to enjoy beach rides and the rest of his life peacefully I have noticed that you are in Guildford, Surrey, England in October which is very close to where we live and wondered if he could either be a potential candidate as an example for your show but also solving this issue.

Many thanks and kind regards,
Zoe Richardson

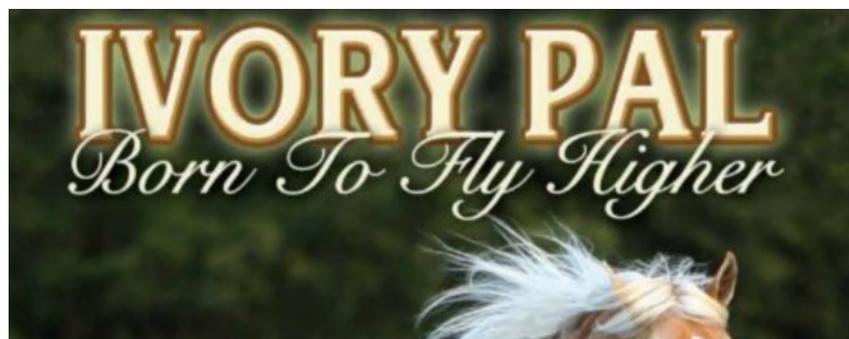


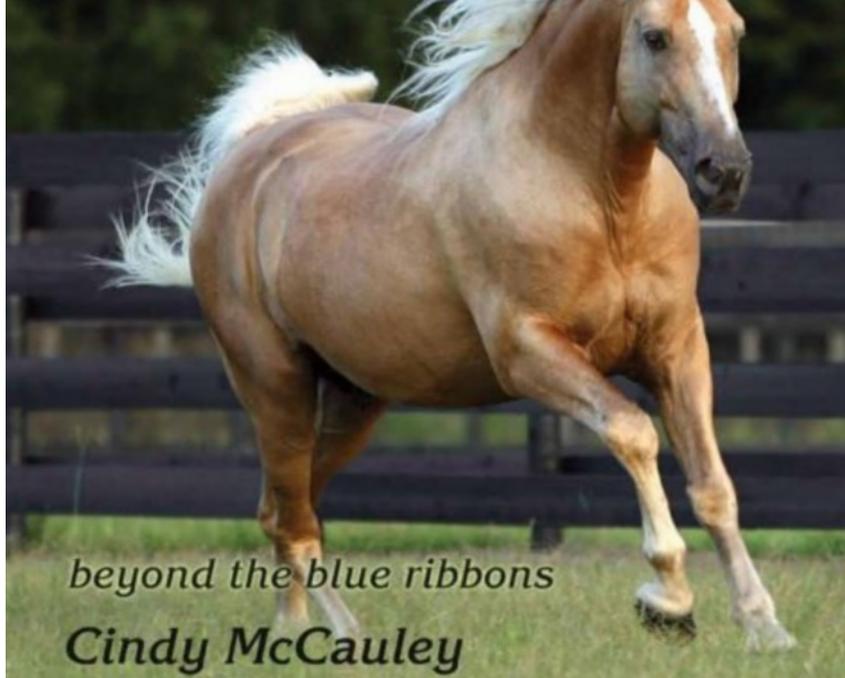
ONLINE REVIEW: MONTY'S DUALY HALTER

"The Dually halter was magic when we were training my daughter's horse to trailer!" ~ Ellen Attridge

HORSEMANSHIP RADIO

Joyce Bautista Ferrari of Lumina Media brings her love of horses and her experience in publishing to some of our favorite horse magazines. Ivory Pal, the golden palomino champion Tennessee Walking Horse stallion, is owned, trained, and loved by Rafael Valle. Jamie Jennings reads Monty's answer for a fence pacer.





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FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS



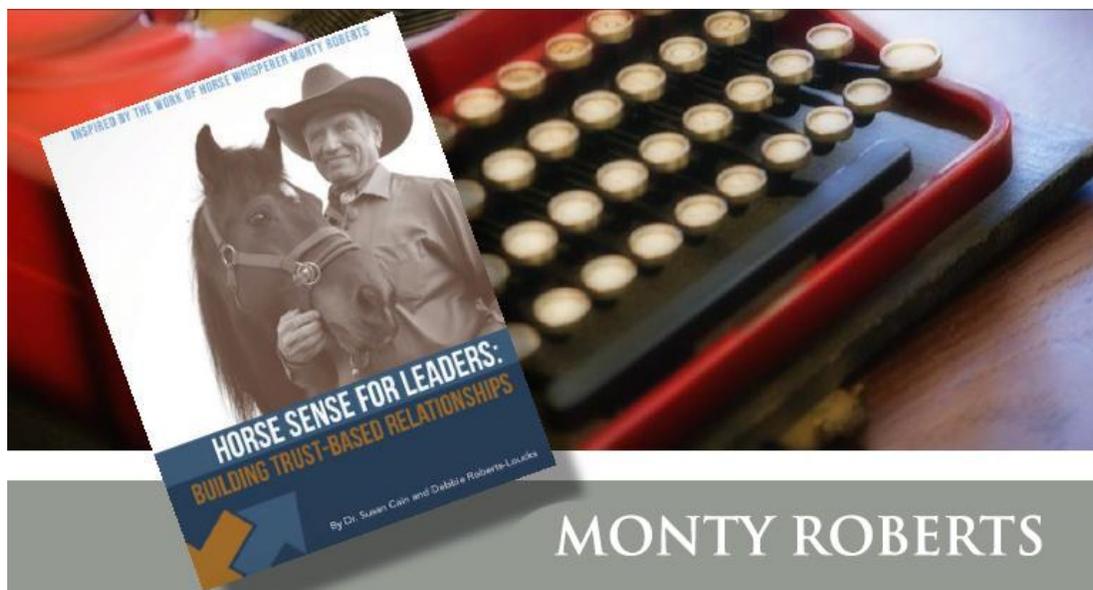


Monty Roberts is running free, resilience-building workshops for veterans, police, fire, first responders and their families. Horse Sense and Healing is a three-day program and it involves working closely with horses. The individuals and horses develop a special bond built upon mutual trust and respect. Join-Up offers everyone an effective tool to rediscover themselves through the eyes of the horse. This self-awareness exercise deals effectively with emotional trauma, anti-social behavior and withdrawal, anger, stress, combat stress and even Post Traumatic Stress Injury (PTSI). [READ MORE](#)



*December 9 to 11, 2016: Monty's Horse Sense and Healing. For more information <http://www.join-up.org/horse-sense-and-healing/>

HORSE SENSE FOR LEADERS



Buying Monty's book, [Horse Sense for Leaders: Building Trust-Based Relationships](#), is another great way to support Monty in his efforts. We have a [Paperback Version](#) and a [Color Version](#).

WINNER AT THE EQUUS FILM FESTIVAL: Best Equine Educational Training - Human Susan Cain, EdD, LCSW - Horse Sense for Leaders: Building Trust-Based Relationships By Dr. Susan Cain and Debbie Roberts-Loucks, foreword by Monty Roberts <http://tinyurl.com/johxoh6>

"Are leaders born or made? Follow the life of New York Times Best Selling Author and Horse Whisperer, Monty Roberts in the book Horse Sense for Leaders. Discover how Monty's life events shape his leadership style. Then, take our Trust Based Leadership Assessment to find out your own leadership style, and how to capitalize on your own unique leadership style."
~ Dr. Susan Cain, Corporate Learning Institute



REDUCING VIOLENCE THROUGH WORKSHOPS WITH HORSES IN ANTIGUA GUATEMALA

Lead-Up International (Affiliate of Join-Up International) is a program based on workshops with horses in which youth at risk are introduced to calm and humane ways of interacting with horses. Participants discover non-violence for themselves and develop a new sense of peaceful leadership.

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