



Wednesday January 24, 2018

Greetings! ,

Question

Why does my horse sweat in the trailer? I'm wondering if this is just something that will work itself out over time. I have an eight-year-old quarter horse mare that we've had about 1.5 years (2 MN riding seasons). She's a basically calm horse and is calm whenever I take her out of the trailer.

I have a three-horse slant trailer (gooseneck). I have probably hauled her almost 50 times since we've had her. I'm a very cautious hauler - no sudden starts or stops, gentle turns, so I'm positive it's not my driving. She will readily lead or send into the trailer. Initially, she would paw, even when in with other horses. She has progressed quite a bit.

She would paw upon loading and when you stopped. I ignored it. The pawing is essentially gone, rarely, upon returning home after being hauled alone, she'll paw a couple of times. Though appearing calm and collected in the trailer, the first summer she would not eat hay during travel and would sweat going and coming.

This past summer she has progressed to eating hay while being transported with other horses and eventually, when hauled alone. She no longer sweats when hauled with at least one other horse. Towards the end of my MN riding season (2017), she would not sweat going alone, but would be sweaty when we arrived home. Last outing....got home....good and sweaty.

She's quiet and relaxed when I go into the trailer to unload her, no rushing and is content to stand there with me. I can move her forward and back, stop her and bring her forward... all willing and relaxed. Unloading, she steps off (backs) sensibly, and carefully. As I have seen so many steps in the right direction,

Do I just need to be patient?

Thank you,

Answer

Thank you for your question. Congratulations on the description I have read because it seems to be exactly what I would recommend. It pleases me that you have moved incrementally and it seems you have touched on just about every potential solution with patience and sensible actions. It is clear to me that your horse enjoys company traveling.

I have dealt with horses more severe than yours by introducing a small animal of some kind to be company. A pet goat or a sheep will often live nearby and would provide welcome company while transporting. Obviously there is an added element which sounds a bit unnecessary because you have done what appears to be a pretty good job of solving problem yourself.

Sincerely,



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- UK** March 7, 2018: Monty Roberts demonstration at [Hadlow College](#), Hadlow, Kent, TN1 0AL
- UK** March 17, 2018: Monty Roberts demonstration at [The Grange - with Special Guest "Martin Clunes"](#), Okehampton, Devon EX20 3DA
- Ireland** March 24, 2018: Monty Roberts demonstration near Dublin, details to come soon!
- USA** April 21 to 22, 2018: West Coast Dressage Convention, Los Angeles, California, featuring Edward Gal, Hans Peter Minderhoud, and Monty Roberts. Tickets from: www.shproductions.ca
- USA** May 23 to 24, 2018: Moment of Join-Up Symposium and Festival (details to come)
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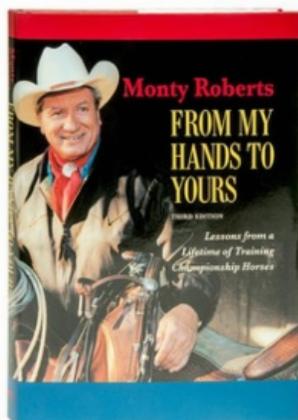
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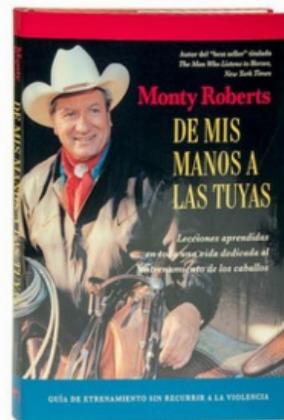
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Dear Monty,

You just make me cry! Every time. I've deliberately not gone to a live demo just because I'd be a blubbering wreck! Really just need to (wo)man up and come this year, especially given what these methods have done for me and my boy.

Charlotte Cass

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

Hi Monty,

I am from Australia and have been looking after an abandoned Brumby foal. He had fallen into a hole and his mother had left him. A friend rescued him and gave him to a non horse family. We looked after him while they were on vacation. He is now 5 weeks old. My question is, he was getting much bigger and stronger in the weeks he was with us and starting rearing and testing us.

He is bottle fed but starting to drink his formula from a bucket. I've tried to mix hard feed in with milk powder to get him to start eating hard feed. He is also eating grass on his own. He is very handled and not scared at all, and has had a halter on a few times and handled it well. He is feeding every 2 to 3 hours and sleeps immediately after for an hour or so. Through the night he feeds every 4 hours or so. He is kept in a grassy house yard away from the herd and can't even really see them.

Would it be best to let him into my herd to learn right from wrong and bring him back in much later, or do we continue hand rearing and teaching him discipline ourselves? I feel like he will be a handful and dangerous for a non horse family.

Thank you. No one really knows what to do with him here in Australia!

Thanks,
Erin, Australia

HORSEMANSHIP RADIO



American Endurance Ride Conference Membership Committee Chairman Mary Howell has a passion for riding and writing all about horses! And veterinarian Dr. Kenton Morgan of Equine Technical Services, Zoetis US, put a great list of tips on caring for your horse, month by month, through the seasonal needs. Jamie Jennings reads Monty's answer about cribbing.



FOR OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS

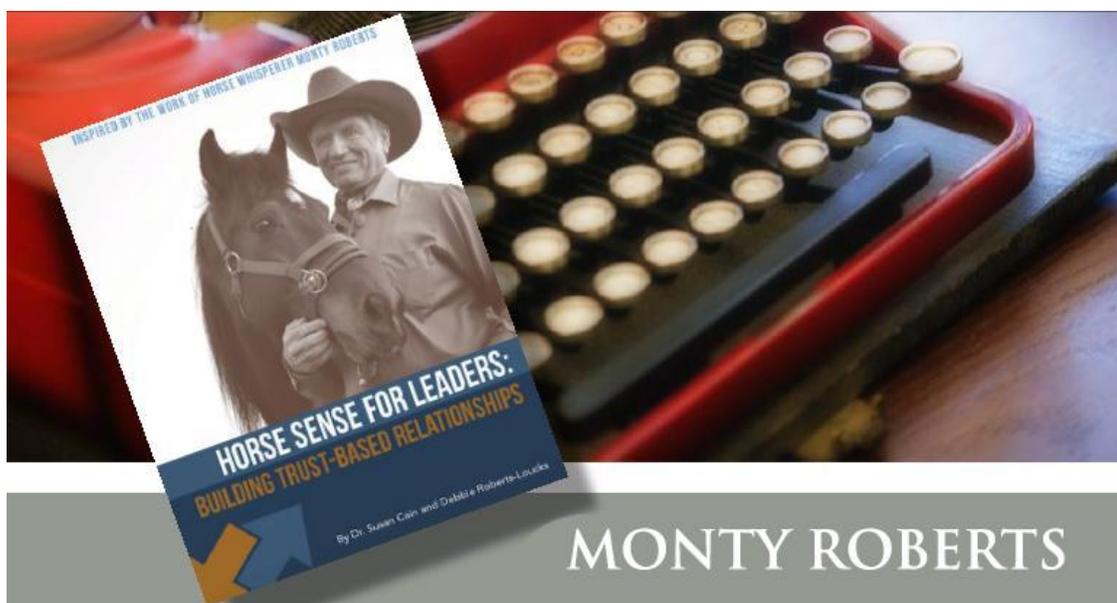


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~ Dr. Susan Cain, Corporate Learning Institute



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