

# Saddle Horse Adoption



## Northern Nevada Correctional Center Saturday, February 13, 2010



**Preview 18 Horses 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Competitive-Bid Adoption Begins – 10:00 a.m.**

Bids start at \$150.

Adopters must meet qualifications to bid.

**Directions to the Northern Nevada Correctional Center on the south side of Carson City:**  
From U.S. 395 (Carson Street), take Snyder Avenue (NV State Route 518) east for 1.5 miles. Turn south (right) at the Center sign and watch for parking signs at the far south end of the facility

Adoption sponsored by:  
Bureau of Land Management  
Nevada Department of Agriculture  
Nevada Department of Corrections - Silver State Industries

**ABSOLUTELY NO BLUE CLOTHING, BLUE JEANS, TANK TOPS OR SHORTS**



## Dealer

BLM # 0671

Age: 4

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Devil's  
Garden, Alturas, CA

Dealer is gentle to work  
with, nice to ride, and he is  
easy to catch.



## Sunfire

BLM # 3097

Age: 3

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Fox-Lake  
Range, Reno

Sunfire is a four-year old  
sorrel who is fun to ride  
and loves attention.



## Crispy

BLM # 3189

Age: 3

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 900 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild  
Horse Range, Las Vegas

Crispy is light gray, has a  
smooth lope, trots on cue,  
and trailer loads easily.





## **Raven**

BLM # 3210

Age: 3

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 900 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild Horse Range, Las Vegas

Raven is a black gelding who has been gentle from the beginning. Trailer loads and neck reins well.



## **Pete**

BLM # 3239

Age: 3

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild Horse Range, Las Vegas

Pete is very gentle, stops, backs up, side passes and trailer loads well.



## **Strawberry**

BLM # 3281

Age: 3

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 950 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild Horse Range, Las Vegas

Strawberry is a four-year old red roan gelding who is very athletic and would make a good ranch horse.





## Handsome

BLM # 3319

Age: 5

Height: 15 hands

Weight: 1,000 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild Horse Range, Las Vegas

Handsome is a five-year old Chestnut who stops on a dime, side passes well and responds great to leg cues.



## Snowman

BLM # 3366

Age: 4

Height: 14.2hands

Weight: 1,000 lbs.

HMA of Origin: NV Wild Horse Range, Las Vegas

Snowman is a four-year old grey/black gelding who is very smart and handles nicely.



## Blackjack

BLM # 3435

Age: 4

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,150 lbs.

HMA of Origin: North Stillwater, Winnemucca

Blackjack is a four-year old black gelding and is patient, trusting and smart. He doesn't scare easily.





## Alamo

BLM # 3491

Age: 5

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 950 lbs.

HMA of Origin: North Stillwater, Winnemucca

Alamo is a five-year old dark bay who is small but very strong. He has never bucked and he works hard.



## Pistol

BLM # 5334

Age: 5

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 1,050 lbs.

HMA of Origin: North Stillwater, Winnemucca

Pistol is a five-year old grey mustang with a calm demeanor and is willing to learn.



## Sammy

BLM # 5379

Age: 4

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 1,000 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Callaghan, Austin

Sammy is a four-year old sorrel gelding who is easy to catch, bridle and saddle.





## **Mesa**

BLM # 5783

Age: 4

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,200 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Rocky Hills, Elko

Mesa is stout four-year old brown gelding who is gentle and easy to catch.



## **Little Richard**

BLM # 7235

Age: 4

Height: 16 hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Twin Peaks, Gerlach

Little Richard is a four-year old black gelding who is gentle, trailer loads great, and who likes trail rides.



## **Fabio**

BLM # 7999

Age: 5

Height: 15.3 hands

Weight: 1,000 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Rock Creek, Battle Mountain

Fabio is a five-year old sorrel gelding who is very gently with a soft eye, has a lot of energy and likes to learn.





## **Pancho**

BLM # 8313

Age: 6

Height: 14.2hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Fox Hog,  
Cedarville

Pancho is a very strong six-year old bay gelding who is very smooth, backs up well and stops quickly.



## **Shadow**

BLM # 8320

Age: 4

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 1,100 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Rock  
Creek, Elko

Shadow is a four-year old black gelding who is a good ride; neck reins well and quickly lifts his feet to be trimmed.



## **Tubby**

BLM # 8483

Age: 6

Height: 14 hands

Weight: 900 lbs.

HMA of Origin: Devil's  
Garden, Alturas, CA

Tubby is a six-year old brown gelding with a white star on his head. Gentle ride and rider friendly.



## *Frequently Asked Questions About These Horses*

### **Why can't I wear blue jeans to the adoption at the Northern Nevada Correctional Facility?**

- This is a **security issue** and for the public's personal safety. Prison inmates wear blue jeans that allow security guards to readily distinguish between inmate-trainers and the public.

### **Can we preview the horses available for adoption before the sale date?**

- No, since this a prison facility horses cannot be viewed until the morning of the adoption.

### **Do I have to be present to adopt a wild horse? Can I send my friend?**

- You must be present to adopt a wild horse. You cannot send a family member or a friend.

### **What is the average sale price of horses trained by prison inmates?**

- Prices vary widely. The starting bid for any wild horse is \$150, and the bid can go as high as \$4,000. However, the average price is about \$800 to \$1,000 per animal. It really depends on how many people are interested in one particular animal and what they are looking for in an animal.

### **How much training do the horses actually have?**

- These horses are "green-broke" which means they have received up to 120+ days of training by the prison inmates. Daily training by their new adopters will reinforce the basics they have learned.

### **What are the facility requirements?**

- Even though these horses are green broke, each horse should be kept in a pen no larger than 20' X 20' until the animal gets used to its new surroundings and you. The corral should be at least 5-feet high and of heavy duty construction using poles, pipes, or planks with at least 1 ½ inch thickness and without dangerous protrusions. Barbed wire and large-mesh-woven, stranded, and electric materials are unacceptable for fencing.

- You must also provide shelter from inclement weather and temperature extremes for your adopted wild horse. The shelter must have, at a minimum, two sides with a roof, good drainage, adequate ventilation, and access for the animal. Tarps are not acceptable.

### **Do I have to pick up the horse I adopt the day of the adoption?**

- BLM prefers you take the horse home that day, but special arrangements can be made with the prison to pick up the animal in a couple of days. **Also, horses will be loaded into stock-type trailers only (two horse trailers cannot be used).**

### **Can I get a refund or exchange my adopted horse for another in the future?**

- No refunds, credits or exchanges will be approved. For more information on this policy, or about adopting a prison-trained horse, contact:

- John Axtell, BLM-Carson City District Office, (775) 885-6146
- Hank Curry or Tim Bryant, Nevada State Prison Department, (775) 887- 9331

## **What's the difference between a wild horse and an estray horse?**

- A wild horse, as defined by federal law, is an unbranded, unclaimed, free-roaming horse found on federal **public lands** in the United States. A 1971 Congressional Act gave the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management the charge to manage, protect and control wild horses in order to ensure both healthy herds and healthy rangelands.

- **State of Nevada estray horses** are found on non-federal public and private lands; these horses are under the jurisdiction of the State of Nevada Department of Agriculture and are managed through a consortium of agreements with established wildlife protection organizations and the State Department of Corrections and its Silver State Industries program. Most estray horses are found in the Virginia City area.

## **About the Northern Nevada Correctional Center program:**

The gentling/saddle training program in Carson City began in October 2000. It is a cooperative effort shared by Silver State Industries (the Nevada Department of Corrections industries program) and the Nevada Department of Agriculture. Originally the program trained only estrays, but through an agreement, inmates now also train BLM wild horses.

To download a BLM adoption application (Form 4710-10) for a wild horse or burro, please go to: [http://www.blm.gov/style/medialib/blm/wo/Planning\\_and\\_Renewable\\_Resources/wild\\_horses\\_and\\_burros/adoption\\_application.Par.32707.File.dat/BLM\\_4710-010.pdf](http://www.blm.gov/style/medialib/blm/wo/Planning_and_Renewable_Resources/wild_horses_and_burros/adoption_application.Par.32707.File.dat/BLM_4710-010.pdf)

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## **Bureau of Land Management Adoption Requirements at a Glance:**

- ✓ Must be 18 years old. Parents or guardians may adopt and allow a younger family member to care for the animal.
- ✓ Have no prior conviction for inhumane treatment of animals or for violating the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act.
- ✓ Have adequate feed, water and facilities (at least 400 square feet for each animal) to provide humane care for the number of animals requested.
- ✓ Provide a home for the animal in the United States until you receive Certificate of Title from the BLM.

## **Not Adopting Today? Here are the Remaining 2010 Saddle-Horse Adoptions at the Northern Nevada Correctional Facility:**

**May 29 & October 9**