



# ADOPTION AGREEMENT

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RESCUE RANCHITO  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADOPTER'S INFORMATION:

First + Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## EQUINE OR DONKEY INFORMATION:

Horse or Donkeys Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Color + Description: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADOPTION FEE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## **BINDING CONTRACT:**

Rescue Ranchito is a nonprofit equine rescue organization. With the goal to rescue, rehabilitation, retrain and rehome our rescued equines. This contract is a binding contract, the adopter agrees to all terms presented within. The Adopter is required to provide requested information that is both true and correct to the best of the Adopters knowledge. With this contract the Adopter is indicating they wish to enter into this agreement with the full intent to provide the horse or donkey listed above with a suitable forever home.

Rescue Ranchito provides a lifelong commitment to all its rescued animals. The best interest of the animal is always our top priority and Rescue Ranchito only adopts out equines to homes and families it believes has the best long term intentions for all adoptions. The Adopter agrees that if she/he is unwilling or unable to care for the adopted equine at any point in the future, he or she will contact Rescue Ranchito FIRST. Rescue Ranchito has a strict NO RESALE/ FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL policy on every adopted horses and donkeys in perpetuity. Additionally, Rescue Ranchito has NO BREEDING policy.

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## THE ADOPTION PROCESS AND POLICIES:

- First, the Adopter must set up a meet and greet the equine they are hoping to adopt.
- Second, Adopter may set up a second apportionment, a vet check or any other necessary health related appointments. The Adopter agrees to obtain any immediate veterinary care should the equine ever become sick or injured and take full financial responsibility for any and all incurred medical costs for the lifetime of the rescued equine.

All Rescue Ranchito equines are adopted AS IS: \_\_\_\_\_

(Initial)

**RELEASE:** The Adopter, his or her spouse, heirs, executors, personal representatives and assigns, agrees to never bring a claim or suit against Rescue Ranchito. The Adopter releases Rescue Ranchito and its directors, founders, employees, officers, agents, representatives, contractors, volunteers, successors from all liability arising from the adoption, behavior or actions of the adopted horse or donkey. The Adopter understands that this agreement discharges Rescue Ranchito from any liability to the Adopter, their spouse, heirs, executors, and assigns, to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, amputation, scarring, death, property damage or other loss that may result from the adoption or behavior or activities of the animal.

**SEIZURE AND IMPOUNDMENT:** If the horse or donkey, for any reason, is picked up by local law enforcement or animal control, the Adopter will contact Rescue Ranchito immediately by phone or email.



## ADOPTER EQUINE-RELATED INFORMATION:

Do you currently own any equines? Yes: \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_

If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_

Will the adopted equine be housed at the address listed on page 1 of the application? Yes: \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_

If you selected No, please provide us with the following information:

Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Facility Contact Phone Number and Email:

\_\_\_\_\_

## EQUINE HOUSING:

Please describe the pen size: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe the available shelter(s):

\_\_\_\_\_

Please list everyone's name, height, weight and riding experience that will be riding and handling the adopted horse or donkey:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

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## REFERENCE INFORMATION:

\*VET AND FARRIER REFERENCE ARE PREFERRED

Reference #1:

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference #2

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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**INITIAL EACH STATEMENT:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I am committing to care for this horse or donkey for its natural life, which can be up to 35 years.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am financially able to provide for the horse or donkeys needs. This includes food, shelter, supplies, medical needs, etc. which can be approximately \$5000 a year.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if I move, my horse or donkey will make the move with me. If for some reason the horse or donkey cannot go, you will contact Rescue Ranchito immediately to make arrangements to surrender the horse or donkey back to us.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that I must comply to all state and local ordinances concerning animal licensing and vaccinations.

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to never euthanize, rehome or sell, without first contacting Rescue Ranchito.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that Rescue Ranchito can reclaim at any time the animal if they feel that the horse or donkey is not being cared for in the manor and standards Rescue Ranchito expects.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that when the adopted horse or donkey leaves Rescue Ranchito it is cleared as healthy. There is a 48 hour window from the time the horse or donkey leaves Rescue Ranchito and arrives in its new home, where a refund will be issues for the adoption fee if anything happens to the horse or donkey. After the 48 hour window, Rescue Ranchito is no longer held financially responsible for any sickness, illness, change of mind, or death and no refund of the adoption fee will be issued.

We recommend, however it is not necessary, a Pre-Purchase Exam done by the adopting party of the horse. This will be done at the adopting party's expense and includes a full work up done by the vet of your choice and will include blood work, x-rays, ultrasounds, a lameness exam etc. This typically costs around \$275-\$350.

**YES, I WANT A PPE \_\_\_\_\_ I DECLINE A PPE \_\_\_\_\_**

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Horses and donkeys are living beings. They CAN develop bad habits such as biting, kicking, cribbing, charging etc. without correct handling and training.

In signing this agreement, you are knowing and accepting the risk of owning a horse or donkey.

All of the above information is true and correct. I agree to follow the Rules and Policies and agree to the terms and conditions. I understand that any breach in this contract can lead to the seizure of adopted horse or donkey by Rescue Ranchito.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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\*Rescue Ranchito's mission and vision are based in our desire to educate our wider community on not only the hardships horses face when they enter into the Horse Industry cycle, but to rehome our rescued equines to the most suitable homes for each of their personalities and needs. And any point in the lifespan of an adopted animal, Rescue Ranchito is here as a resources for any and all needs, concerns, issues and hardships. Our goal is to become a team with any of our adopting individuals and families so they feel confident that they are never alone when an issue arises with an adopted animal. We NEVER want to see any Rescue Ranchito equine end up back in danger of find their way into the auction cycle. We are a resource and your team. We should be your first call if you need support in caring for your adopted animal.

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