

## THE DORIS DAY/BLACK BEAUTY RANCH ADOPTION APPLICATION



**THE HUMANE SOCIETY**  
OF THE UNITED STATES



Adoption Form provided by :  
The Grace Foundation of Northern California  
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**Thank you for your interest in the Doris Day Foundation "Adopt a Horse Program". Our goal is to find loving, forever homes for our rescued survivors. Without the help of the community in placing horses, we would not be able to continue our mission of rescuing and rehabilitating abused and neglected horses.**

**It is also our goal to match the right horse with the right family. In order to make an appropriate placement for the horse, we must look at all aspects of the potential new home. This includes the facility where the horse will reside, skill level of adopter and intended purpose for each horse.**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. **Property** - Property must be zoned for horses and be a minimum of one (1) acre per two (2) horses. If you have chosen a boarding facility, the Doris Day Foundation will check the facility. If you are renting the property, the Doris Day Foundation will need a copy of the written agreement between you and the property owner.
2. **Horses** - Due to the nature of horses, in order to adopt from the Doris Day Foundation, the Adopter must have some experience working with horses. Horses under the age of 4-years of age may only be adopted by an experienced horse person/rider. It is up to the discretion of the Doris Day Foundation to deny the adoption of a horse if the Foundation feels the Adopter does not meet the qualifications.
3. **Fencing** - Fencing needs to be of solid construction, which can be made of wood, no-climb wire, or other equine type fence material. The fencing needs to be without sharp edges and visible to equines. Electric wire or tape fencing may be used, but must be visibly marked for horses (via brightly colored hanging streamers or ties). Both bared and high tensile wire can cause severe damage to a horse's legs and could cause broken bones if the horse should get caught in downed or sagging sections of fence.
4. **Shelter** -Horse property must have adequate shelter from rain, snow, and heat. Shelters need to be constructed to provide sufficient space for each equine to turn around, lie down, move his or her head freely, etc. For instance, a stall measuring 10.5"x10.5" is the recommended minimum for the average 1,200 pound horse.

### **ADOPTION PROCESS:**

**Once the adoption application is approved, a representative from the Doris Day Foundation will contact you to set up an appointment to meet the adoptable horses. Once a horse is chosen, the Doris Day Foundation will do a home/fence inspection of your property. If transportation is needed, the Doris Day Foundation can provide it at an additional cost.**

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## APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

DAYTIME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EVENING PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

## EQUINE INFORMATION:

HORSE - FIRST CHOICE: \_\_\_\_\_ DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

HORSE - SECOND CHOICE: \_\_\_\_\_ DESCRIPTION: \_\_\_\_\_

I do not have a specific horse that I am interested in, yet I would be interested in adopting a rescued horse. Please describe the type of horse you are looking for: \_\_\_\_\_

Age range of horse? \_\_\_\_\_

What kind of horse are you looking for? \_\_\_ Companion Horse (no riding) \_\_\_ Riding Horse \_\_\_ Show Horse  
\_\_\_ Pasture Pet (no riding) \_\_\_ Breeding Horse \_\_\_ Other

Please describe in detail what you are hoping to do with your horse: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your horse experience: \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you been riding? \_\_\_\_\_ How regularly do you ride? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of riding have you done? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you currently have horses? \_\_\_ If so, how many? \_\_\_ What are they used for? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you owned your horses? \_\_\_\_\_ If you currently do not own a horses, did you previously? \_\_\_\_\_

How long did you own that horse? \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us about your ownership experience, past and present: \_\_\_\_\_

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**HOUSING INFORMATION:**

**own my own land.**

What type of fencing? \_\_\_\_\_ How many acres? \_\_\_\_\_

**would board the horse.**

Which boarding facility? \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Facility: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fencing? \_\_\_\_\_

How many acres is facility? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of land owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of land owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Personal reference other than a family member: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us why you are interested in adopting a rescue horse: \_\_\_\_\_

**I understand that before any adoption can take place, a representative from the Doris Day Foundation will need to visit the facility where the horse will be living. The land must be zoned for horses. This approval must be given to the Doris Day Foundation by County Planning Department. I also understand that the Doris Day Foundation has the right to deny the adoption and is not required to give a reason for the denial. I further give the Doris Day Foundation permission to set up an appointment to visit the facility that will house the adopted horse. I also give permission to the Foundation to call my references and contacts.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return completed form to Beth DeCaprio via email at [beth@thegracefoundationofnorcal.org](mailto:beth@thegracefoundationofnorcal.org) or via US Mail to The Grace Foundation, PO Box 4692, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762.

<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>	_____ interview completed	<b>ADOPTION GRANTED</b>
	_____ reference checked	Date: _____ Signature: _____
	_____ county records checked	<b>ADOPTION DENIED</b>
	_____ county called	Date: _____ Signature: _____
	_____ facility inspection completed	Reason: _____