

## Horse Diaries 1 Elska

This is a story of an equine assisted therapy horse named Olaf. He is friendly, gentle and hardworking. He works with his Norwegian fjord horse friend Loki. Together they help people become more effective, create boundaries and become empowered. They teach them how to take control of their lives and get their needs met. Olaf loves to help people overcome and conquer challenges, reclaim joy and passion for life and live the life they deserve. "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Phillipians 4:13 Kristi Argyle is an artist, writer and illustrator. She is a mother and grandmother. She loves to tell stories with the wisdom of animals, nature and scripture. Animals teach us to live in our hearts. She lives in Newport Beach, California.

Avery comes to the cove to imagine swimming with dolphins -- and to avoid thinking about her parents' divorce. Maria comes to draw pictures of the special creatures. Pictures she'll never show to anyone. When a sweet dolphin brings two girls from very different worlds together, it looks like they might make their dreams come true . . . together. Maria helps Avery battle her fear of the ocean. And Avery encourages Maria to share her art with the world. But family expectations could tear their new friendship apart. Then the girls discover their special dolphin is in trouble. Can they overcome their differences to help the dolphin -- and each other -- before it's too late?

For all lovers of horses and history, it's the next book in the popular Horse Diaries series. Born in the Arabian Desert in the ninth century, Yatimah is a black Arabian filly whose name means "orphan." She enjoys her life at the oasis, with sheep to tease, other foals to race, and the daughter of her Bedouin owner to take care of her. But when the colt who is

her foster brother is stolen in a raid, Yatimah realizes her true birthright. Like *Black Beauty*, this moving novel is told in first person from the horse's own point of view and includes an appendix full of photos and facts about Arabian horses and Bedouin culture.

This is the final book of the Canterwood Crest books starring Sasha Silver. Though the series will continue, there will be a new main character to narrate the series!

For all lovers of horses and history, it's the next book in the popular *Horse Diaries* series. Born in California at the start of the Great Depression, Risky Chance is a gray thoroughbred who was born to race. Life at the track and being spoiled by his jockey's young daughter, Marie, is all Chance could ask for. He loves nothing more than running fast and winning. But after an accident, Chance discovers a side of horse racing that has little to do with glory. Like *Black Beauty*, this moving novel is told in first person from the horse's own point of view and includes an appendix full of photos and facts about thoroughbreds, horse racing, and the Great Depression.

Carole Hanson and Stevie Lake have been best friends ever since they met at Pine Hollow Stables. So when Lisa Atwood joins their riding group, the girls aren't sure she's got what it takes. Lisa may be the smartest student in the classroom, but she's got a lot to learn when it comes to horses. . . .

Libby Thump's life is a perfect mix of horseback riding, art, and her dog Margaret until her resilience is put to the test when she must learn to ride a challenging pony in this chapter book companion to *Libby of High Hopes* from New York Times bestselling author and illustrator Elise Primavera. "The second book in the *Libby of High Hopes* series is as enjoyable as the first" said Booklist. Libby Thump still wishes for a horse of her own, but she's very happy riding Princess, the aging horse who belongs to Sal, the stable owner of High Hopes Farm. Libby loves Princess and her gentle ways, and

Princess loves Libby. Then one day Sal says she has to ride Saddleshoes instead—and Saddleshoes is the most difficult pony at the stable! Sal says Princess is too old to be ridden much longer and that Libby is outgrowing her, so Libby is stuck: ride Saddleshoes, or don't ride at all. But Libby is nothing if not determined, and so she decides that the only way to live up to her potential and achieve her dream of being the best rider in the world is to try something new. Can she find a way to win a blue ribbon riding Saddleshoes?

Around the year 1000, the Icelandic horse named Elska is born and learns about life and her role in the herd, as well as love and friendship, when she rescues the girl to whom she originally belonged. Includes facts about Icelandic horses and Iceland.

In the Vermont spring of 1853, Bell's Star, a Morgan horse, and his owner Katie rescue a runaway slave and try to outwit the slave catchers in order to help her to freedom.

In the Netherlands in 1855, May, a young member of a circus family who is not permitted to perform because of a twisted foot, bonds with a local Friesian farm horse that she names Luna, and together the two perform a heroic act that changes their futures for the better. Includes facts about Friesian horses.

For all lovers of horses and history! This latest book in the Horse Diaries series features an Andalusian horse in romantic sixteenth-century Spain. Southern Spain, 1570s  
Calvino is a dapple-gray Andalusian stallion. He grew up driving cattle in the mountains, but soon he catches the eye of King Philip II's horse master. Now Calvino and his young rider, Rico, must learn the complicated moves of doma clásica riding. Calvino doesn't understand the

use of this prancing—until he and Rico are chosen to represent the king in a deadly bullfight that will put all his skills to the test. Here is Calvino's story . . . in his own words. Praise for Elska (Horse Diaries #1): "A must for horse lovers, the cozy and exciting adventure will draw a wide audience." —Booklist

In 1915 Wisconsin, a farm horse named Jingle Bells worries that his family will replace him when the older son brings home a brand new Model-T Ford car.

Includes facts about Clydesdale horses.

In volume one, Crisis in Alamut, Dastan arrives in the holy city of Alamut, where he is wanted for a number of heinous crimes he did not commit.

In a mid-ninth-century Bedouin camp in the Arabian Desert, a horse is born to a prized Arabian war mare who dies during the birth, and the foal is raised with dreams of continuing her mother's glory as a war mare.

Includes facts about Arabian horses and their importance to Bedouin tribes.

In this original novel based on the hit Netflix TV show, Zoe and Jade's friendship is put to the test when they compete for a spot in a high-profile riding clinic. Includes an 8-page photo insert!

Born in Northern Nevada in 1950, Black Cloud is a black-and-white mustang colt. He loves roaming free with the rest of his herd, playing with the other foals, and learning the ways of wild horses. But when humans intrude on this wandering life, Black Cloud's world is changed forever. Like Black Beauty, this moving novel is told in first person from the horse's own point of view and includes an appendix full of photos and facts about

mustangs and the history of the laws protecting them. In this original novel based on the hit Netflix TV show, Zoe, Jade, and Becky investigate some strange happenings at the island's new steeplechase race track. Includes an 8-page photo insert!

Born on a windy hill off the coast of Ireland in 1917, a Connemara pony named Darcy is sold to a farm family and trained to pull a cart and plow.

Traveling with his owners from Missouri to Oregon in 1848, Koda, an energetic two-year-old quarter horse, finds the long journey increasingly tedious and tiring until his young owner goes missing on the trail and he must use all his skills to find her.

Iceland, circa AD 1000 Elska is a silver dapple Icelandic filly. She spends summers frisking about the countryside and winters in the farmyard, where the girl human Amma takes special care of her. But when a powerful neighbor notices Elska, her contented life suddenly changes. Here is Elska's story . . . in her own words.

Ireland, 1917. Darcy is a light gray Connemara pony with silver dapples. She's fast and tough, whether she's pulling a load of peat from the bog or riding around the rugged countryside with Shannon McKenna, her human family's eldest daughter. But when Mrs. McKenna needs a doctor, Darcy discovers a skill that will change her and her family's life forever. Like *Black Beauty*, this moving novel is told in first person from the horse's point of view and

includes an appendix full of photos and facts about Connemara ponies and Irish history.

Maddie is desperate to keep her favorite horse from being sold in this first book in a contemporary middle grade series in the tradition of Marguerite Henry's *Misty of Chincoteague*. Madison "Maddie" Martinez loves her weekly riding lessons, and she loves working with her favorite horse, Cloudy, every time. So she is shocked when she finds out Cloudy's former owners might want to buy her back! Maddie desperately concocts various plans to stop the sale: maybe she can raise money to buy Cloudy herself, or what if she can make the potential buyers lose interest? Maddie's online Pony Post friends—Brooke Rhodes, Hayley Duncan, Nina Peralt, who all share a love of Chincoteague ponies—can tell something is up, but at first Maddie is afraid to tell them what's happening. If she loses her only connection to Chincoteague, will they even want to be friends with her anymore?

Is your first and second favorite animal a horse? Is your bedroom covered with horse posters on your walls and horse models on your shelves? Would you rather muck out a stall than clean your room? Then you are absolutely, undeniably horse crazy, and *For Horse-Crazy Girls Only* is the book for you! This is the only comprehensive book about everything a horse-crazy girl needs to know about horses. You'll learn everything from the different breeds of horses,

to how a horse's body works, to the quirky little things that make the horse the BEST animal ever. Author Christina Wilsdon even shares ideas for horse-themed parties, and suggestions for the best horse movies to watch with your friends. And that's just the beginning.

### Horse Diaries #1: Elska Random House Books for Young Readers

For all lovers of horses and history! In the latest book in the Horse Diaries series, meet Penny, a blue-eyed palomino paint mare who grows up in the Wild West of California during the Gold Rush! CALIFORNIA, 1850. Penny is a blue-eyed palomino paint mare with a taste for adventure! She and a boy named Jesse search for gold in the hills of Northern California. After striking it rich and then losing everything, Jesse and Penny join the Pony Express. The job is a tough one, but Penny loves a challenge! Here is Penny's story . . . in her own words. Love horses and history? Don't miss the stories of Elska, Bell's Star, Calvino, Lily, and more in the Horse Diaries series!

Vermont, 1850s Bell's Star is a brown Morgan colt with a white star and two white stockings. He was bred for hard work, yet he longs to run free with his human friend, Katie, on his back. But when Star helps rescue a runaway slave girl, his ideas about freedom may change forever. Here is Star's story . . . in his own words. With exciting and knowledgeable text and lovely black-and-white art throughout—both by real horse owners—Horse Diaries are the perfect fit for all lovers of horses and

history!

For anyone who has ever dreamed of hearing a horse's story . . . Independence, Missouri, 1846 Koda is a bay quarter horse with a white blaze. He loves to explore the countryside and run free with his human friend Jasmine nearby. But after Koda sets out with Jasmine's family on a long and dusty wagon train journey on the Oregon Trail, he finds out what is truly important to him. Here is Koda's story . . . in his own words. With moving and knowledgeable text and lovely black-and-white art throughout—both by real horse people—this is the perfect fit for all lovers of horses and history!

Zelda was born in a world of dreams, and hers burned bigger than anyone had ever seen. Now she's on the run in our world, the dreams broken in her hands. But the pieces are for sale, the rich and the powerful are buying, and suddenly her world isn't the only place Zelda's running from. From the creators that brought you Spider-Gwen, SOUTHERN BASTARDS, and DRIFTER, and the incredible colorist of THE WICKED + THE DIVINE, comes a place where dreams come true--and today, they go to war.

Lindy doesn't want to move to the bug house. That's what she calls her family's new beachfront house on stilts. She misses her best friend and her life back in Chicago. But her feelings change during a storm when Lindy hears a cry for help . . . from a mermaid! Are there really mermaids in Lindy's backyard? And if so, what can one clumsy girl do to help them? Fans of Hamster Magic and The Very Little Princess books will love this heartfelt and accessible Stepping Stones fantasy.



If I Had a Horse is an inspiring picture book with simple text and gorgeous, impressionistic artwork from acclaimed author-illustrator Gianna Marino about a girl imagining what life would be like with a horse.

In the mid- to late-1930s, Risky Chance grows from a spirited colt to a winning racehorse, but an injury and the Great Depression bring hardship that only a special little girl can help him overcome.

Helicity is well aware that her name is unusual - kind of like Helicity herself. The word Helicity means to spin, and for as long as she can remember, Helicity has been fascinated by the weather. The weather is Helicity's escape from her own reality - may that be school, her father's strict discipline, or her brother's imminent departure for college where he's all set to play football. One fateful day, Helicity and her horse head out on a long ride to take a break from life at home. Even with her vast experience with weather, Helicity is unprepared for the elements she faces. The choices Helicity makes before, during, and after that storm will have a lasting effect on her family and her future.

Although raised on a Southern plantation and owned by a Confederate officer, a Tennessee walking horse helps a slave during the Civil War.

From actresses Tia and Tamera Mowry comes the second book in their delightful Twintuition series about the superspecial—and sometimes supernatural—bond between sisters! In Double Trouble, identical twins Cassie and Caitlyn Waters have adjusted to small-town life in Aura, Texas, but they're still not used to seeing visions of the future. And their Sight is only getting

stronger as their twelfth birthday nears! But even with this new gift, neither girl could have predicted what the mysterious package they received would contain—a connection to the father they know nothing about and the grandmother they never knew they had. As the twins struggle to discover more about their own history, they distract themselves by planning a birthday bash with their new friends. But when the visions of the upcoming party show it will be more of a catastrophe than a celebration, the girls work together to keep it fiasco-free. Tia Mowry-Hardrict and Tamera Mowry-Housley gained initial fame on the '90s sitcom *Sister, Sister*. Tia can now be seen starring in and producing the Nickelodeon series *Instant Mom* and on the Cooking Channel's show *Tia Mowry at Home*. Tamera is a host and producer on the hit daytime talk show *The Real*, currently airing on FOX. Together they've created a magical series about twin sisters with a powerful gift and an even stronger connection.

Presents a biography of the race horse from his birth, through his training and winning of the Kentucky Derby, through his devastating injury two weeks later at the Preakness Stakes, to his death in January 2007.

*Samirah's Ride* is the third book in Annie Wedekind's *The Breyer Horse Collection* series. *Samirah* is an eight-year-old Arabian mare, who has been carefully raised and trained by her girl, Jasper, to be the ultimate family ranch horse. Sami has long sensed that Jasper is itching for freedom, and wants to be a real cowgirl. And when Jasper hears a rumor that her family is being forced to sell their ranch and decides to run away, the filly and her

girl find themselves lost in a beautiful, legendary wilderness, but one fraught with dangers. Sami must use all of her resources and strength to keep them both alive. Our Arabian will do everything for her girl, and the girl will do everything for her horse.

For all lovers of horses and history! In the latest book in the Horse Diaries series, meet Lily, a strawberry roan Welsh pony with a competitive heart! SOUTH WALES, 1939: Lily, a strawberry roan Welsh pony, loves Pony Club! She and her rider, Gwen, compete in and win lots of events, including Lily's favorite--jumping! Then Bridget joins the Pony Club. The English girl was sent from London to escape the bombings brought on by war. Gwen tries to be friends, but Bridget is sour and mean. Even worse, Bridget and her horse, Bron, make the perfect jump look easy. Now Gwen and Lily have some real competition. . . .

Our "American Girl" of horses, each novel in the Breyer Horse Collection—based on Breyer Animal Creations' top-selling horse breeds—tells a compelling story that captures the true essence and personality of each horse. And now, for the first time, we have a historical novel. Annie Wedekind takes us back to Europe in World War II—a time and place that tested the courage of the noble Lipizzaner horses. In 1930's Austria, life for Favory Mercurio, a Lipizzaner stallion bearing the crest of the renowned Piber stud, begins with his mother's abandonment. From that moment on, the young horse feels different, as if he has a missing piece— even though, despite his doubters, he has talent enough to be accepted into the famed Spanish Riding School. Slowly,

but doggedly, Mercury perseveres through the rigors of his years of training. But then, as the war bears down on Vienna and the school is forced to flee two advancing armies, his beloved trainer and rider, Max, with whom he has formed a true bond, is suddenly gone, and Mercury is abandoned once more. Will he have the chance to become one of the great Lipizzaner stallions, or will he lose the people, horses, and home that he loves? Jonathan goes on a secret quest to Rome, and Flavia, Nubia and Lupus set out to find him. Their dangerous mission takes them to the Golden House of Nero where a deadly assassin is rumoured to be at work - and they learn what happened to Jonathan's family during the terrible destruction of Jerusalem nine years earlier.

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