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For the millions of girls--and the women they grow into--who are mad about horses, who live to ride, who spend more time in stables than stores, who know the difference between a hock and the fetlock, comes a sweet, charming, wise, obsessive celebration of the bond between woman and horse. Written and illustrated by Bonnie Timmons, the award-winning artist whose signature squiggly style was seen every week on NBC's hit show *Caroline in the City* and is featured in places ranging from *The New York Times* to *Fortune 500* advertising campaigns, *Hold Your Horses* is 144 full-color pages of irresistible pleasure and unexpected horse sense.

It starts with First Love, moving quickly to Lessons, including the gallop: a gait so fast your worries can't keep up, and jumping: just throw your heart over first, and, of course, falling--otherwise known as an unscheduled dismount. There are tips on Buying One of These Things, plus the truth about Care and Feeding. (The trick here is knowing how much your horse weighs. Easy, really: 1. Weigh yourself. 2. Weigh yourself holding the horse. 3. Subtract 1 from 2.) And Horsekeeping Truths: A horse knows what you know. He also knows what you don't know. Written out of a lifelong love, *Hold Your Horses* gets to the heart of the passion that horses inspire. Every horsewoman will see herself in its pages.

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H.orses says

Haha, this book made me crack up on the first page. Bonnie takes the world of equestrians taunting truths and pulls them together in an amazing laugh out loud book. Turn to a random page and read a bit, I'll guarantee you'll let out a laugh. "The children are crying either because they didn't win first place... didn't win even seventh place... or because they won the blue ribbon but their favorite color is pink." This book is great for any horse lover, I know I loved it.

Juliana says

Love this! A lot of the jokes are only understood by more experienced riders, but anybody can enjoy it. It would be a great gift to any horse lover or rider :)

Candace Wade says

If you need a mini-break and a good laugh, taste this delicious book. You don't have to be a rider, just a willingness to recognize the foibles of being human and the personalities than animals can inflict on us. Quick, fun, colorful, real. I bought several copies to give to my women friends who DO ride and/or own horses. Love it.

Renaë says

A short, charming read. Not much more to say for it.

Libby says

Very cute little gift book for riders and horse lovers - made me laugh aloud. Certainly has a lot of horse "truths" in it.

A. R. Cartwright says

I'm going to be totally honest, I found this book while cleaning off my bookshelf and I decided to read it because a.) I was behind on my reading challenge and b.) it's illustrated and it's really short and I knew I could finish it in like 20 minutes.

Bearing in mind that this book is primarily for children, let's continue.

When I was ten years old (the ideal age for someone to read this book) I found it hysterical. If I had horses, I still might find this book pretty funny. As it stands, I'm a twenty-something college graduate who does not own horses and now, *several years* after I first read it, it's not nearly as amusing. There are a couple more mature jokes in it that I totally missed when I was younger--rather like watching Disney movies as an adult. Still, this book doesn't really hold up like a Disney movie, or even like a Dr. Seuss book.

If I were rating this book completely dispassionately, I would probably give it one or two stars. But I rated it from a place of nostalgia, and because my ten-year-old self would be heartbroken to hear someone rated this book that low, I gave it four stars. If you have kids who love horses, this book is for them.

And if you're an adult horse owner whose inner child is alive and well, it couldn't hurt to give this book a go.

G.K. Hansen says

I love this book very dearly and it will resonate with horse folks of any gender but I did take off a star for the unnecessary gay joke on the page about flies that has not aged well (and honestly was not funny in the first place).

Gmc says

Hold Your Horses: Nuggets of Truth for People Who Love Horses...No Matter What (Paperback) by Bonnie Timmons. This is a collection of cartoons that were published in the "Practical Horseman Magazine", and is a spoof on horsemen and woman, the horse gets the best lines. Very funny:)

Katie says

A hilarious book filled with incredibly true snippets about those of us who are in love with horses....

Paige says

Saw this at bookstore. Looks super cute. Cartoons by the woman who drew for the show Caroline in the City.

Kenley says

my sister got this book for her birthday awhile back, and i occasionally pick it up to read. it's hilarious! so many things in there are so true and funny! it's more for people who are into horses or have siblings/friends that are into horses, such as myself with my sister. but it's so great w/ cute drawings and hilarious jokes!

Suzanne says

Entertaining!

Sarah says

my favorite book under all circumstances!

can't get enough from reading it.. it takes around 15 min. to finish the whole book.. i don't know if it was meant to be for kids but it's so funny and makes me laugh over and over! hope i can get more books like this one!

Rivkah. says

I thought it was a really cute read that told the God spoken truth, that no one wants to admitt, about what horseback riding, and horse ownership is really like! Very fun read that I would recommend to friends!

Arwen~Undomiel says

This book was pretty funny. Not exactly accurate about everything, but funny nonetheless. There was one or two awkward things in this boon that weren't necessary.
