



Brownie

Girl Scout

Horse Clinic Options

Sun Pony Ranch
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Brownie Scout Option 1: One Hour Clinic (no riding)

What we will cover:

- Safety Around Horses: Always our Number 1 Priority
Horses are "Animals of Prey" and Why that is a Safety Issue
Horse and Rider Relationship: Trust Building
Safety Rules and the Implication (reason for) each Rule
Always Wear a Helmet while Riding!
- Horse Care: What kind of Food, and how much, each horse needs daily
Acceptable Treats for horses
Barn/Stable/Stall Care: How to Clean a Stall; Why it's important
Horseshoeing/Hoof Trimming
- Horse Grooming: How to tie a Safety Slip-Knot
How to Brush and Curry a horse: what each Grooming Tool is used for
How to clean (pick) a horse's hooves
How to walk around a horse
* Each girl will use the grooming tools and brush/curry a horse *
- Horse Tacking: How to lead a horse
Differences between types of bridles & bits and their purposes
Basic parts of the bridle
Differences between English & Western Saddles
Basic parts of the Saddle
How to take care of the Saddle & Bridle
The girls will watch as we demonstrate how to put on the saddle & bridle
- Agenda Notes: Because the girls are so young, we will not go into great detail with the "lecture" subjects like we do for the older Girl Scouts. We will keep the information short, basic and interesting. The "Safety" talk will be thorough, but at their level of understanding. Apart from Riding, the "Hands-On" time is what they like the best, so we will let them groom the horse and use each tool.



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Brownie Scout Option 2: One Hour Clinic with Short Ride—We will cover:

- Safety Around Horses: Always our Number 1 Priority
Horses are "Animals of Prey" and Why that is a Safety Issue
Horse and Rider Relationship: Trust Building
Safety Rules and the Implication (reason for) each Rule
Always Wear a Helmet while Riding!
- Horse Care: What kind of Food, and how much, each horse needs daily
Acceptable Treats for horses
Barn/Stable/Stall Care: How to Clean a Stall; Why it's important
Horseshoeing/Hoof Trimming
- Horse Grooming: How to tie a Safety Slip-Knot
How to Brush and Curry a horse: what each Grooming Tool is used for
How to clean (pick) a horse's hooves
How to walk around a horse
** Each girl will use the grooming tools and brush/curry a horse **
- Horse Tacking: How to lead a horse
Differences between types of bridles & bits and their purposes
Basic parts of the bridle
Differences between English & Western Saddles
Basic parts of the Saddle
How to take care of the Saddle & Bridle
The girls will watch as we show them how to put on the saddle & bridle (we will use one English Saddle and one Western Saddle)
- Agenda Notes: Because the girls are so young, we will not go into great detail with the "lecture" subjects like we do for the older Girl Scouts. We will keep the information short, basic and interesting. The "Safety" talk will be thorough, but at their level of understanding. Riding and "Hands-On" time are what they like the best, so we will let them groom the horse and use each tool.
- Horse Riding: The girls will take turns riding one horse, and watching each other in our Riding Arena. We will not go over any lesson material; however, each girl will be offered the opportunity to trot the horse if she chooses (while being led). We carefully watch balance issues and stop the trot if we see any signs of a loss of balance.



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Brownie Scout Option 3: 1 ½ Hour Clinic with Ride -- What we will cover:

All of the above Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, and Tacking, in Options 1 & 2. For the Horse Riding, section of the Clinic, we will use two horses and there will be 40 to 45 minutes of riding time.

Horse Riding: We will use two horses and the girls will take turns riding and watching each other. One of the horses will be led and the other horse will follow the led horse. The horse that is the "follower" is extremely calm and dependable; however, if you would prefer both horses be led, a Scout Leader (or parent) can walk with the 2nd horse. We will go over proper posture (seat), hand position and leg position. The horses will walk around in our arena and each girl will be offered the opportunity to trot on her horse if she chooses (while being led). We carefully watch balance issues and stop the trot if we see any signs of a loss of balance.



Brownie Scout Option 4: Two Hour Clinic with Ride -- What we will cover:

All of the above Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, and Tacking, in Options 1 & 2. Plus:

Horse Personalities: We will go over different horse personalities and how they interact with each other.

Horse Breeds: We will discuss different breeds of horses and what they are like. We will show examples with our own horses. We have:

- * Appaloosa Horse
- * Arabian Horse (Arab)
- * Trakehner Horse
- * Paint Horse
- * Quarter Horse
- * Thoroughbred Horse
- * Palomino Horse
- * Standardbred Horse
- * Morab Horse (Morgan/Arabian cross)

Horse Riding: Option 4 will have 1 Hour of Riding Time. It will follow the format of the riding in Option 3; however, it will include the opportunity for each girl to ride both horses (one in the English Saddle and one in the Western Saddle).



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Price Schedule: Our "Normal" Lesson Price is \$35 per 1 ½ hours for our Group Lessons. For our Scout Troops we use a Sliding Scale with a minimum of 6 Scouts per *Clinic*.

- **1 Hour Brownie Scout Clinic (No Riding):** \$15 per Scout (minimum 6)

Includes: Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, Tacking Demo

- **1 Hour Brownie Scout Clinic:** \$21 per Scout (minimum 6)

Includes: Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, Tacking Demo, and short "Pony" Ride (on a horse) for each girl

- **1 1/2 Hour Brownie Scout Clinic:** \$28 per Scout (minimum 6)

Includes: Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, Tacking, and 40 to 45 minutes Riding Time with 2 girls riding at a time

- **2 Hour Brownie Scout Clinic:** \$35 per Scout (minimum 6)

Includes Safety, Horse Care, Grooming, Tacking, Horse Breeds, Horse Personalities, and 1 Hour Riding Time with 2 girls riding at a time (using 2 horses with one in English Tack and the other in Western Tack)