

Questions to Ask a Horse Seller

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How old is the horse?

How long have you had him or her?

Do you know the horse's history before you owned it?

Why have you decided to sell the HORSe?

Is the horse registered with a breed association?

Does the owner have the horse's registration papers?

What's the horse's personality like?

Describe the kind of rider who would be the best fit for this horse?

Describe the horse's energy level?

What is this horse like to ride if he hasn't been ridden for a few weeks?

How tall is the horse?

What Color is the horse?

What is this horse's training background?

Who trained this horse?

May I contact them?

Is there any particular bit, tack, or cue/aid this horse responds poorly to?

What Bit do you Use? Why?

Who is your vet?

Will you allow your vet to release your horse's vet records to me?

Does this horse need to be shod? Why?

Has this horse ever gone barefoot?

How often does this horse get trimmed or shod?

How have you enjoyed this horse?

Has this horse had many different experiences in different environments?

How are this horse's ground manners?

What does this horse do when left tied for periods?

How is this horse when being ground?

When being trimmed by the farrier?

When being loaded in a trailer?

Does this horse have any bad habits?

Does this horse ever irritate you? Why?

How is this horse around other horses? (Both in turnout and under saddle)

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