

# Hidden Trails

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*Equestrian Vacations  
- on & with Hidden Trails*



## About Hidden Trails

Hidden Trails is owned and operated by nature enthusiasts who love horses and adventure activities. We have been involved with riding and other outdoor vacations for over 20 years.

With our partners Voyage du Cheval (France), Pegasus (Germany) as well as Equitour (Switzerland and France) we have collected the best riding destinations all over the world in some hidden places we would like to share with you.

These rides are about galloping on endless beaches, forging rivers, cantering through forests, trotting along age-old trails, gazing at beautiful vistas and encountering foreign cultures. But most of all, these trips are about getting away from the cycle of too much work and never enough free time.

Escape from the rituals, which long ago froze our nights and days into little more than routine and away from the worries of our new tense times. It is so satisfying when we take the plunge of adventure - it's unfortunate that we invent so many reasons to put aside living our dreams of adventure. It is sometimes a tangled web that we weave through life. Some of the threads reveal a work-a-day world of commitments, duties and obligations. Other threads are of a quiet fabric of hope, responsibility and refreshment.

On our adventures you see the real country, its back country and meet the locals. The love for horses has no boundaries but possesses a common language we all speak and understand. The majority of the overseas rides are from inn to inn, some from castle to castle and a few are camping rides.

You will experience new countries and their customs and make new friends. The Hidden Trails trips are the best you can find.

They have been tested by our staff or associates and received our stamp of approval. If you are considering a special riding vacation anywhere in the world, call us first and let our experienced consultants match the perfect trip with your dream.

We will listen to you and give you objective advice to help you choose the best destination and adventure.

Your vacation is the most precious time of the year and we are committed to making it the most memorable time of your life. Wherever you go, have a great time and bring back some peace of mind.

Thank you for your continued support.

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# Ozarks Ranch Getaway - USA, North America

Tour Code: GRM002  
4 days / 3 nights ~\$550.00  
Dates: Available all Year

Trip Rating: ●●●●●  
Difficulty: ●●●●●  
Lodging: ●●●

**Tack:** Western, Synthetic Gaited Leather  
**Horses:** Missouri Fox Trotter, Tennessee Walker...  
**Pace:** 4 to 6 hrs daily according to riding level...  
Walk, Trot, Canter,

**Airport:** St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL)



## Introduction

Missouri, USA

Literally sit back, relax and experience the pleasures of authentic country living while riding the smooth gait of the Missouri Foxtrotter horse!

Every season during the year, the Ozarks highlands offers a spectacular beauty and an abundance of activities, so we welcome you to come visit with us on our family run working farm. Conveniently located only 1 hour from St. Louis and the Lambert International Airport, our ranch stay makes for short, yet satisfying getaway from the norm. On the way to visit us, your scenic drive southwest through beautiful countryside of rolling hills will offer you interesting pit stops along the way - wine country vineyards, cave tours, or one of many antique shops! It's truly a setting for all seasons and that's why we are open year round - ride the pretty meadows graced with wildflowers in the spring, escape the summer heat after a mid-morning ride by visiting the cool caves along the towering Vindicator bluffs or swimming in the rivers, weave through wooded hillside trails splashed with autumn's stunning red, orange and golds, and even enjoy winter's intimate stillness after a snowfall on the pristine landscape as we go sleigh riding along. No matter what the season, the farm here is a place for peace and discovery, far away from the pressures of the everyday city life. And when the sun starts to set in the big and beautiful western sky and the horses are turned out to night pastures, friends and neighbors gather around the chuck wagon and cowboy campfire for the evening. The smells of genuine cowboy cooking fills the air as you listen to local Bluegrass musicians play old songs. Bring your guitar, banjo, or fiddle and join in! Cowboy pleasures are basic, down to earth and rooted in the land and as simplistic as that sounds, it is a truly gratifying lifestyle we wish to share with you. After a long day riding on the trails or working the ranch with us, we think you will agree!

Your trip will include your accommodations with breakfast and lunch each day and one delicious country BBQ dinner complete with bluegrass music and 3 or 4 riding days (pending on which package).

## Accommodation



### Accommodations

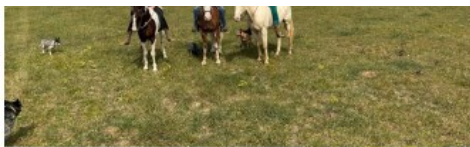
This is a stationary ride, so all nights are spent at the same location.

### Description

Our Cabin-Bunkhouse was built in 2005 from cedar logs hauled in by our own team of Percheron draft horses and constructed and decorated with a cowboy theme. Your surroundings will transform you to out west! There is a 6 person hot tub/spa pool to relax in when not riding. On cool evenings gather around the stone hearth, by the fireplace, made from local river rocks. Enjoy the view of our large lake from your porch, a very romantic setting for special occasions. If you want more excitement than just relaxing in the evenings in the quiet, calm of the ranch, you can always head into the nearby towns for movie theaters, music halls (bluegrass and western country music), and local watering-hole pubs. If you want to enjoy some other points of interest, during, before or after you ranch stay, the town of Cuba (12 mi) and Rolla (30 mi) have antique shops with quirky vintage items and there is a winery in the region as well! The Onondaga Cave is 25 minute drive from the ranch - guests favorite!! Meramec Spring Park is beautiful in the spring and has a trout hatchery! Wi-Fi is available and laundry facilities are at the guests disposal.







#### Lodge

There is 1 private double occupancy bedroom in the main ranch house. It has a Queen size bed and its own private bath and shower.

#### Cabin

There is a 2-bedroom cabin. The cabin can accommodate 7 riders at the max, one group for the entirety or two groups can each take a bedroom; one room has 1 Queen size bed and the other room has 2 double beds. Finally, there is an optional futon in the living room for a single. The cabin is equipped with a full kitchen and stove, refrigerator, microwave oven, dishes, tableware, pans & cooking utensils and cable TV. The bathroom is shared in the cabin.

#### Room Occupancy

There is no single supplement fee if you are willing to share.



#### Meals

Meals are not included in your package.

There are many local restaurants in Bourbon near the ranch which your hosts can recommend for you or else you can bring groceries on your own and make meals in the kitchen of the cabin! Bourbon has a nice grocery & deli open till 9:00pm. Guests are welcome to bring their own alcohol if they wish.

#### Dietary Restrictions

We can cater to guests with special dietary restrictions with prior notice.

### **Riding**



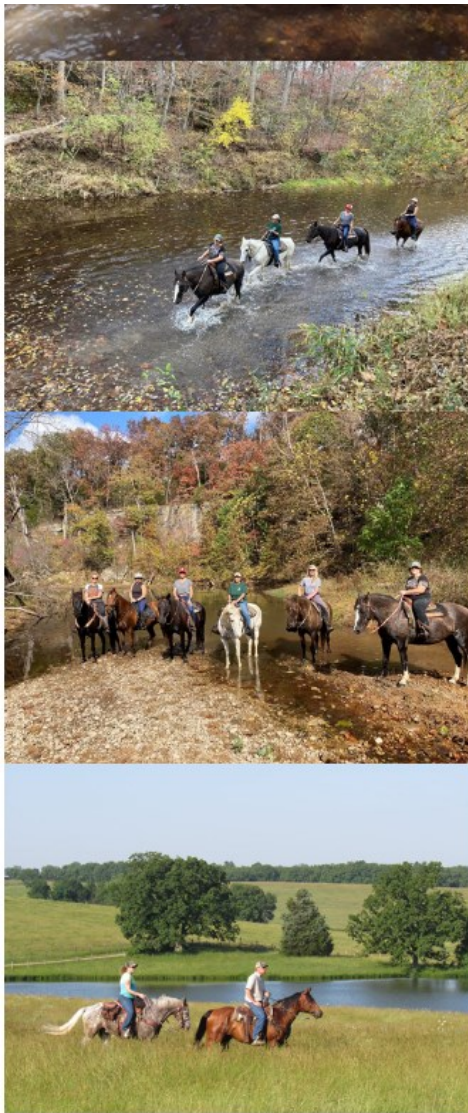
#### Riding Level

Your mount will be selected with your own riding abilities in mind. Rides are adjusted to each individual's riding abilities for the riders, as well as the horses! "Fox Trotting at its Finest," is what we like to call the special gaited horse rides we offer on our beautiful and healthy Missouri Fox Trotting Horses - they are smooth, quick, sure-footed and kind, able to handle the hilly and rocky 'outlaw trails' in style.

#### Horses

At the ranch we have a very special relationship with our herd of 30+ Fox Trotters, Tennessee Walkers, Quarter Horses and Draft Horses. We have bred, raised and trained them to provide guests with the finest riding





opportunities. In addition, the "Big Girls," our Percheron draft horses, can be used for pulling the hayride wagon in the summer and sleigh rides in the winter.



## Itinerary



### Sample Itinerary- *subject to changes*

Together we will help design the perfect horseback riding getaway for you and your loved ones! There are endless trail riding options through the beautiful Ozarks countryside, or if you want to get adventurous, you can try your hand at roping in the arena - we'll teach you! Riding lessons are also possible to arrange. If you are looking for a special experience, we can take you on a horse drawn hayride on our wagon or sleigh rides in the winter.

Spend your time here as leisurely or action packed as you desire, this is your special holiday. We can teach you how to shoe or harness the horses, or if the timing is right, you can have a hand in training a new young colt! Experience smooth speed and agility of the exceptionally even-tempered gaited Missouri Fox-trot Horses while riding in the Missouri Ozarks - south of the glacier line in the heart of Missouri's cattle country - famous for its extraordinary biodiversity of plant and animal species. Relax and experience the pleasures of country living and ride over endless trails.



### Non-riding Activities

When you aren't riding or if you bring a non-riding companion, you can choose to just sit back and relax in the hot tub or a rocking chair on the front porch with a beverage. or keep active and go fishing, hiking or bird watching.



Nearby in the summer, the cool and refreshing waters of the Upper Meramec River provide great swimming holes and cool serenity amongst the scenic background of gravel bars, sand bars, and towering bluffs. Canoeing, Kayaking or Rafting down the Meramec River is easily available. If you like star gazing or moonlight activities by campfire, we offer a BBQ grill and fire pit, and wood to make a marshmallow roasting fire nightly! We can also arrange stagecoach rides, a tour of our cattle pastures and a tour of a local historic cemetery dating back to 1869. Onondaga Cave in Leasburg Missouri is also just a 20 minute drive from the ranch.



## Other Info

**Meeting:** Bourbon

**Airport:** St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL)

**Train station:** --

**Transfer:** --

**Distance:** 146.5 km / 91 miles

Transfers are not available for this trip. Best to rent a car from St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) and drive. Check-in for 3:00pm. Check-out for 11:00am.

**Tack:** Western, Synthetic Gaited Leather

**Horses:** Missouri Fox Trotter, Tennessee Walker, Quarter

**Pace:** 4 to 6 hrs daily according to riding level. No posting required. Walk, foxtrotting, some canters, foxtrot mostly at 6-8 miles per hour. Very smooth and comfortable gait for all riding levels.

Walk | Trot | Canter |

**Level:** 🐾🐾🐾🐾🐾 (1 to 5 out of 5) All riding levels

**Age:** Min 8 Max 90

**Weight:** 250 lbs

**Riders:** Min 1 riders

Max 8 riders  
(per riding group)

Max Capacity 9

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Rates and Dates 2024 - GRMO02

Rates include: Accommodation, Guided horseback riding (3 or 4 days)

Packages and Options

Season	Description	~US\$
A 2024	4 day trip	\$550

Transfer Option

Description

2024	Transfer not available - rental car mandatory!
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Tour Dates

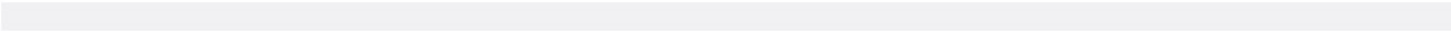
Season	Tour Dates		
A 2024	01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024	4d / 3n	4 day trip

Min/Max: 1/8

Extra days possible -- please inquire.

Sold Out Dates (as of 5/16/2023): all dates sold out except July 16 to 22

Rates do not include:Meals (there are many nearby local restaurants the ranch can recommend for you), Transfers & Gratuities



# Reservation Form

Tour : \_\_\_\_\_ Code #: \_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_ to : \_\_\_\_\_

The Travelers (Last Name, First Name)	Male Female	Single room / or tent	Birth Date MM/DD/YY	Height	Weight	Special diets													
						Special diets	Beginner	NoVICE	Intermediate	Strong Intern.	Advanced	ride English	ride Western	mostly arena	mostly hacking				
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Special Diets: \_\_\_\_\_

Your fitness level: Excellent ☐ Moderate ☐ Poor ☐ How long have you been riding? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you ride? \_\_\_\_\_ Have you been on other riding tours? No ☐ Yes ☐ last trip when? \_\_\_\_\_

If Hidden Trails offers a transfer from the local airport/station: I would like the transfer to be included: YES ☐ NO ☐

In an emergency, name and phone number of contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Please, if there is more than one participant, all have to sign the reservation form - make copies if needed

With my signature I confirm my reservation of the listed program(s) under the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions. I'm aware, and I made all participants aware of the risk involved with these outdoor adventure activities. All participants have read and agree with the Hidden Trails Booking Conditions and the Hidden Trails Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement in this brochure or as listed on the Internet.

I (we) will sign and forward the Recreational Activity Release and Indemnity Agreement at least 10 weeks before trip starting date.

Last Name and First Name (The Traveler) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (wk) \_\_\_\_\_ (hm) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (mandatory) 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Please, charge a 25% deposit (minimum \$ 350 per person) now and full payment 10 weeks before the travel date to my credit card.

For payments by VISA ☐ or Mastercard ☐ (no debit cards)

Cardholder: \_\_\_\_\_

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ 3 digit Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp.Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address for Credit Card (if different than mailing address):

\_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed a check for the deposit ☐

Additional Signatures:

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Travel Cancellation Insurance** Credit Card required

Sign me (us) up ☐ initial \_\_\_\_\_

No, we will provide our own ☐ initial \_\_\_\_\_

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