

# Wonderland Farm

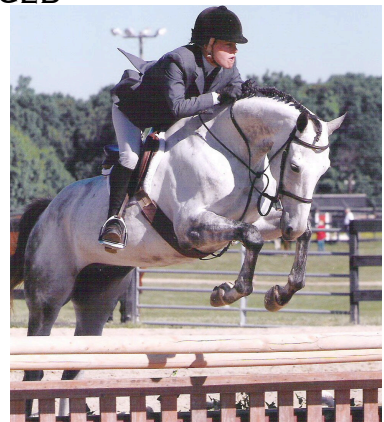
25th Annual

## Horseback Riding Camps Tiny Rider Horse Camp Farm Camps

ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS WELCOME  
BEGINNER~INTERMEDIATE~ADVANCED

### WHAT IS ENGLISH RIDING?

There are many different styles of riding for different purposes. Here at Wonderland Farm we teach English Hunt Seat Equitation. It is riding by balance, not by sheer strength or force. This kind of riding includes riding on the flat in a ring, jumping, & riding in the open such as on trails. With a good basis in a balanced seat, a rider can adapt to any style of riding.



### BENEFITS OF RIDING

Riding can have great benefits for children & families.

Riding is a healthy outdoor sport; it can be enjoyed alone, in a group, as part of a team, or as a family activity. This enjoyment can be lifelong. Children are naturally attracted to animals and to the challenge of riding. Riding & caring for a horse or pony can teach them kindness, patience, responsibility, & perseverance. Taking instruction and working with other young riders can help instill self-discipline, good sportsmanship, & self-esteem. Of course, these virtues don't come automatically from taking lessons; they require guidance & leadership. Our camps provide an enriching experience in exploring the equine partner.

At camp, your child will be immersed in all aspects of riding from basic care of their pony to honing their skills in the saddle. Safety is taught from the very beginning & is emphasized in all aspects of camp. Our hands-on approach in all of our activities allow each individual child the chance to connect with these wonderful, intelligent, & affectionate animals.



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# Horse Riding Camps

In Leland, 10 minutes west of Cape Fear Bridge, off highway 74/76 nestled away on a 106 acre horse farm full of fun and learning activities for kids!

## Horseback Riding!

Learn how to catch & lead your horse or pony & become responsible for the care & grooming of your horse. Learning the different tack used to saddle up & ride, studying the parts of the horse, & identifying the different breeds of horses are just a few of the areas covered. Students receive English Hunt Seat instruction on an individual & group level. Students will learn how to ride & maintain control of their horse or pony.

All levels are welcome from 1st time beginners, intermediate, as well as advanced riders capable of jumping. Students are allowed to ride to their abilities and challenged to learn new skills.

Students receive a lot of 1 on 1 instruction as well as group instruction. From 9-3pm.

Ages 6-15



## Horseback Camp Dates

Week 1: June 7 - June 11th

Week 2: June 14 - 18th

Week 3: June 21-25th

Week 4: TinyRider # 1 June 28- July 2

Week 5: July 12-16th

Week 6: July 19-23rd

Week 7: July 26-30th

Week 8: Tiny Rider #2 Aug 2- 6th

Week 9: Farm Camp Aug 9-13

**Instructor to student ratio is 1 to 3.**  
**Small class size for quality instruction**



**Formal Instruction!** Daily hour long mounted sessions on the horse in addition to learning horsemanship skills on the ground.

**Bareback Riding!** Learn what it feels like to ride a horse bareback.

**Games on Horseback!** Hone your riding skills while playing mounted games.

**Afternoon Art Classes!** Students receive instruction from a certified art instructor during a week long project exploring sculpture while making a clay horse with real horse hair. Make your favorite horse or pony!

**Swimming on Horseback!**

Cool off in the pond with a pony.

**Trail Riding!** Enjoy the outdoors & experience nature as you ride through the forest on our 106 acres of wooded trails.



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## Farm Camp Dates:

**Week 9: Aug 9-13**

**9am - 3pm**

# Farm Camp

## Farm Life

Explore a working farm. Take part in some of the daily activities of running a farm in a hands on environment. Help feed and take care of the farm animals. We have horses, goats, pigs, rabbits, chickens, ducks and a sheep! Learn about animal husbandry. Gain an appreciation for nature exploring trails on nature walks. Enjoy swimming, basic horsemanship, crafts, games, tractor hay rides, slip & slide & animal time.

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## Some of the Activities

Feeding & Caring for Animals

Learning about Nature

Tractor Hay Rides

Basic Horsemanship

Slip and Slide

Swimming

Crafts



Counselor ratio 1 to 8 kids, Cost \$185 for the week

## Tiny Rider Dates:

**Week 4:**

**June 28th-July 2nd**

**Week 8:**

**Aug 2nd - 6th**

**9am - 12 noon**

## Tiny Riders Camp for Ages 3 1/2 to 5

We offer a week to introduce the younger kids to all the fun these furry friends have to offer. The days are shortened to 9 - 12:, but are full of the same hands-on activities conducted in the older kids camp. Young riders will learn care of their pony & receive riding instruction during mounted activities while exploring the wonderful world of horses!



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# Wonderland Farm Summer Camps

Horse Camp Times 9:00am – 3:00pm

Farm Camp 9:00am – 3:00pm

Tiny Riders Weeks 9:00 – 12:00

## What to Wear:

Anyone participating in horse camp must wear long pants & a **sturdy shoe with at least a 1/2" heel** for safety. No sneakers!

This is mandatory, no exceptions.

No Capri pants & no sandals or flip flops!

Safety approved helmets are provided & must be worn when mounted

## What to Bring:

Horse Campers: shorts & sneakers can be brought for the afternoon.

Bag lunch

Sunscreen

Bathing suit & towel

Refillable water bottle, it gets hot!

## What to Expect:

Spending time outdoors in fresh air

Hands on time spent with horses

Lots of Riding horses

Having fun while learning!

## Cost:

Weekly Horse Camps are \$335 per week

Tiny Rider Horse Weeks are \$200

Farm Camp is \$185 per week

**Additional weeks or immediate Siblings:** Receive a \$25 discount for each additional week and each child (must be an immediate sibling) added to any camp.

**Late pick up available:** for working parents late pick up is available for \$100 per week. Latest pickup is 5:30pm. For those only needing a specific day or time, an hourly fee of \$12 can be arranged in advance.

## Payment/Cancellation/Refund Policy:

Payment is due at time of Registration to hold a space in the camp.

Please include completed Registration & Release form and include with payment to secure your spot,

Cancellations will be subject to a \$100.00 Administration fee

Any refunds after Admin fee, will be given in credit to be used on services offered by the farm.

**Farm 910-655-5735**

## Directions:

GPS: 7453 Radio Rd NE Leland, NC 28451

### From Wilmington:

Cross Cape Fear Bridge and Take Hwy 74/76 West approx 8 miles to Malmo Loop Rd. Turn Left on Malmo Loop (1st left after Compass Pointe), go 2 miles, turn left on Colon Mintz Rd. Go 1/4 mile and turn right at sign onto Radio Rd and follow to Barn.

### From Southport:

Take Hwy 87 North, junction with 17N. Go 3.4 miles & make left on Hwy 87. Go 3.1 miles & turn right on Colon Mintz Rd. Go 2 miles & turn left at sign on Radio Rd. Follow to Barn.

### From I-140 (BY-PASS):

Take the exit toward Hwy US 74/76W. Make a right turn onto Hwy US 74/76. Take first left after Compass Pointe onto Malmo Loop Rd. Go two miles and make left onto Colon Mintz Rd. Go 1/4 mile and make right at farm sign.



# Wonderland Farm

## Summer Camp Itinerary

9:00 am	All students arrive at farm
9:00-9:15	Final registration & introductions to camp counselors
9:15-10:15	Safety briefing- How to be safe on the ground around horses Students paired up & horses are assigned Students are paired up with counselors & assisted in getting their horse Students are taught how to catch a horse in the field, put a halter on, & lead it to the barn. Students are shown various grooming tools & taught how to groom their mount. Students groom their horses & learn how to pick up its feet to clean the hooves. Tack(saddle, bridle, girth) that will be used on the horses is explained briefly. Students are assisted with tacking up their mounts.
10:15-10:30	Safety briefing- How to be safe when mounted on horseback
10:30-12:00	Students & horses go to riding ring & are shown how to mount Formal instruction in proper position, balance, steering, & safety
12:00-12:30	Dismount & lead horses back to barn Students are shown how to untack their horse Students are assisted in untacking their mount Horses are groomed & hosed if necessary Students turn horse back outside with assistance of counselor
12:30-1:00	Students eat lunch
1:00-2:00	Horse Art Project
2:00-2:45	Horse anatomy- learn the parts of the horse.
2:45-3:00	Campers clean up & get ready for pick-up
3:00	Parents pick-up students at farm Please be prompt. \$10 added for every 15 minutes after 3 pm

As the week progresses, students will continue to be reminded about safety as they become more comfortable and independent in catching and tacking up their horses. They will spend more time on formal instruction in the ring each morning as they become more confident. During the afternoon, in addition to the art project, students will learn to ride bareback, swim with the ponies, take a trail ride and play games on horseback. Every day on the farm is an adventure!



### Head Instructor & Camp Director

#### Karen Halpryn Mealey

Karen received her B.A. in Equine Studies in 1990 from Virginia Intermont College. She also holds an Art education degree from Central Connecticut State University & Massachusetts College of Art. Karen has operated her own farm for several years at different locations before establishing Wonderland Farm located in Brunswick County. Her students range from the true beginner to those competing on the national level



### Caroline McKenna: Assistant Instructor & Camp Director

A New Jersey Native with a strong background in hunters and a passion for eventing, Caroline has made it her mission in life to make riding an enjoyable and fun learning experience for equestrians of all ages. She currently gives beginner and intermediate riding lessons at wonderland farm. With her patience and fun learning attitude her students are excelling.

# Wonderland Farm

## General Information & Frequently Asked Questions

### **Why Wonderland Farm?**

Truly Superior Staff! Highly trained & experienced in horseback riding instruction. Owner & Head Instructor has a B.A. Degree in Equine Studies. Low child to instructor ratio for more individual attention & focus. Over twenty years conducting successful & fun camps at our 106 acre farm. Year after year the buzz is that this is a favorite among the kids! Diverse & interesting activities that are educational, active, fun, & hands-on.

### **What are the child to instructor ratios?**

Mounted instruction is 3 to 1. Activities on the ground around horses is 5 to 1. There is always at least one adult on lifeguard duty while swimming ponies in the pond. Farm camp is 8 to 1.

### **What are your certifications, accreditations, & training?**

Owner & Head instructor has a B.A. Degree in Equine Studies from Virginia Intermont College. Recipient of Outstanding Teaching award upon Graduating. She has over twenty five years experience teaching and training. Assistant instructor is exceptional with children and horses. She spent time as a live in nanny and ran her own barn in Maine.

### **How old should my child be to attend camp?**

We invite all ages of children to come enjoy the farm. There is one week dedicated to young children (3 1/2-6 years old) with half days full of fun with the horses. The other six weeks are geared toward children 6 and above. We welcome beginners with little to no experience as well as children who are currently taking lessons and riding proficiently. Farm camp is open to ages 6 thru 14.

### **Do you have suitable horses for riding?**

We own over 12 different horses & ponies. Several are tried & true oldies that have happily taught many a child & adult to ride. With our large variety, there is something suitable for every skill level.

### **What is Wonderland Farm's safety record?**

We have an impeccable safety record with zero accidents or incidents. Safety on the farm & while working around the horse is always stressed.

### **How many years experience do you have conducting camps?**

This is our twenty-fifth year offering summer horseback riding camps. Director & owner of Wonderland Farm has over 35 years experience with youth camps.

**Questions? Call (910) 655-5735 or e-mail us at [karen@wonderlandfarm.net](mailto:karen@wonderlandfarm.net)**

**REGISTER BY PHONE, ONLINE, E-MAIL, ON LOCATION**

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# WONDERLAND FARM CAMPER INFORMATION/REGISTRATION SHEET 2021

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Name of Camper(S) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Father \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
In Case of Emergency Notify \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Concerns IE. Allergies, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Initial next to each line. The following safety rules apply:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Shoes with a 1/2" heel are required and must be worn while riding. This is for Safety! No Exceptions. Shoes without a heel can get caught in the stirrups.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Safety helmets must be worn while riding and are provided. No sandals or flip flops to be worn while working around barn or horses.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Long pants are to be worn while riding (Legs can get pinched by the saddle leathers). Shorts may be brought to change into for the afternoon activities.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Campers must bring lunch and refillable water bottle to have on hand while participating in activities
1. Complete information above
  2. Check off each week your child will be attending in the boxes provided
  3. Fill in # of weeks attending and subtotal
  4. Fill out and subtract multiple week/sibling discount
  5. If any other discount, write in line and subtract
  - 6.. Add in a T-shirt for \$8
  7. Total all lines in the total amount due section
  8. Complete method of payment, Enclose check.
  9. Complete Liability Waiver on reverse side.
  10. Both the registration form and liability release must be completed and turned in with payment

Payment is due at time of Registration to hold your space in camp. Cancellations subject to a 100.00 Admin. fee. Any Refunds are in farm services.

Please tell us how you heard about us:

Wilm Parent Mag \_\_\_\_\_, Star News \_\_\_\_\_, Friend \_\_\_\_\_, Sign \_\_\_\_\_, Online \_\_\_\_\_, Website \_\_\_\_\_, Yellow Pages \_\_\_\_\_, Other \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Horseback Riding Camp</b> _____ Week 1 June 7-11    _____ Week 5 July 12-16 _____ Week 2 June 14-18    _____ Week 6 July 19-23 _____ Week 3 June 21-25    _____ Week 7 July 26 -30		\$335	_____ weeks x _____	Subtotal _____
<b>Tiny Rider Camp</b> _____ week 4 June 28- July 2 _____ week 8 Aug 2- 6		\$200	_____ weeks x _____	Subtotal _____
<b>Farm Camp</b> _____ Week 9 Aug 9-13		\$185	_____ week x _____	Subtotal _____
<b>Late Pick up</b> 5:30 pm is latest pick up		\$100 for week or \$12 an hour	_____ weeks x _____	Subtotal _____
<b>Multiple Week or Second Child Discount</b> *applies only to second child or 2nd or more weeks Must be sibling in immediate family		Discount \$25	_____ x \$25 _____	Subtract _____
<b>Camp T-Shirt</b> (optional)	<b>Circle Size:</b> Youth S M L Adult S M L XL	\$10	add \$10 per t-shirt _____	Subtotal _____
<b>Credit Card fee</b> if applicable		\$10	add \$10 if paying with credit card	Subtotal _____
<b>Method of Payment:</b> Check # _____ Cash _____ Cash App _____ \$KarenMealey Master card _____ Visa _____		Name of Cardholder _____ Card # _____ V-code _____ Exp. _____ Zip _____		add all above, optional t-shirt, subtract any discounts  <b>TOTAL</b> \$ _____



## WONDERLAND FARM LLC LIABILITY RELEASE

As further consideration for your providing me with riding instruction and camp activities, I am signing and delivering to you this release of liability. I understand and acknowledge that there are dangers inherent in the activity of horse back riding and in the participation of camp activities that involve the risk of personal injury. Those activities include but are not limited to hiking, swimming, games, canoeing, hayrides, and horseback riding, and that it is not possible to foresee or to prevent all such possible dangers. Because horses are unpredictable creatures, very serious accidents can occur even when reasonable precautions have been taken to prevent such occurrence, I am fully aware that the serious risks associated with activity cannot be eliminated. I am also aware that the fall of a rider can be crippling or even fatal to the rider.

I have acquainted myself with the basic rules of safety applicable to this activity, and I understand that it is not the purpose of the riding instruction provided by you to teach me the basic safety rules, nor is it your function as my instructor to serve as the guardian of my safety. I also understand that to the extent that I use your equipment, I will satisfy myself as to the safe condition of such equipment.

In light of the above, I agree to personally assume each and every risk associated with this activity, regardless of whether I am riding my own horse or a horse owned by you or another person. Therefore, I hereby release, waive and forever dis- charge you, Wonderland Farm, any employee or agent of you or Wonderland Farm, and the owner of the animal I may ride, from any and every claim, demand, action or right of action, of whatever kind or nature, either in law or in equity, arising from or by reason of any bodily injury, death or property damage resulting or to result from any accident which may occur as a result of my participation in riding instruction or any activities connected with such instruction, whether or not such injury, property damage or death is caused by negligence. I assume full responsibility for the risk of bodily injury, death or property damage while engaged in receiving instruction from you regardless of the premises upon which such instruction may be conducted.

I further agree that this release and waiver is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the state of North Carolina and that if any portion of this release is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance of this release shall continue in full legal force and effect notwithstanding the invalidity of some part of it.

The undersigned hereby authorizes and consents to any emergency medical care which may at the time appear reasonably necessary under the circumstances as a result of injury or other event caused by or incurred in the course of an equine activity within the sole discretion of Wonderland Farm, and shall bear the cost of the same  
If I have requested that you provide instruction to a minor child of mine, then the provisions of this waiver and release shall apply to such child or children, and I agree to be fully responsible for all of this child's obligations hereunder. This release is given on behalf of myself, spouse, legal representatives, administrators, executors, heirs, and assigns, and in the case of any child or children of mine, on behalf of them, their legal representatives, administrators, executors, heirs, and assigns.

**WARNING:** Under North Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina General Statutes.

I agree that Wonderland Farm LLC may take & may use photographs of my child for any lawful purpose, including publicity, advertising & web Content; in print and/or electronically.

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AFFIRM THAT I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE CONTENTS OF THIS RELEASE, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS MEANING, AND SIGN THIS RELEASE VOLUNTARILY.

RIDER (Parent/Guardian, if a minor):

WITNESS:

X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

**Helmets and Shoes with a 1/2" Heel Mandatory / ASTM safety approved helmets provided**