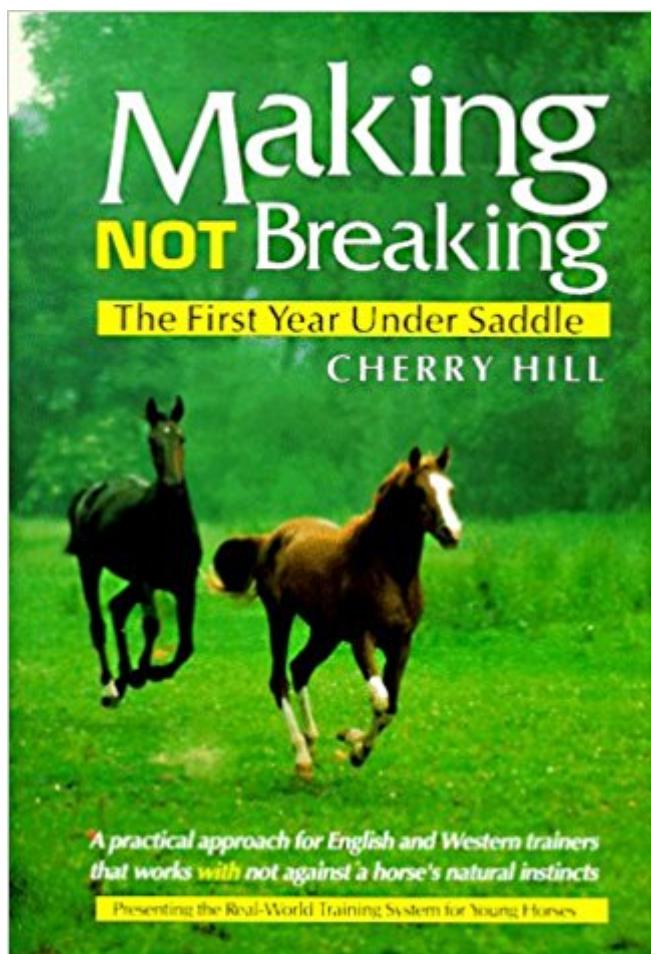


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# Making, Not Breaking: The First Year Under Saddle



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I would really like to meet the author and shake her by the hand and congratulate her on this excellent work. For many years there has been a great gap in equestrian literature for this type of work. Most books deal with the early backing of a young horse and once the rider is in the saddle and moving - that's where they finish. During my lengthy horse career I have started many youngsters, both for myself and other people - also I have found this the easy part (the breaking). The next part - early education is another story, and in my opinion can be more difficult than the actual breaking, or accustoming to saddle, bridle and rider. When I purchased this book I was curious to see how others schooled their youngsters once they were happy with the rider. I have always felt that the most difficult part of educating a youngster comes after they have accepted the rider, e.g. the first canter lessons (can be quite hair raising in some instances) and some horses are best not cantered for some time. Riding out - in traffic - in our point in time is another experience where one knows one is alive (and wishes to remain so); taking your young horse to shows, etc. Ms Hill certainly states that all youngsters are different (which they are) and that her programme is designed to "add or subtract" to or from according to the youngster's spirit. All in all this is an excellent training book and a valuable addition to any horseman's library and is suitable for either English or Western riders as this early training can be built on, towards whichever discipline you follow. EXCELLENT! Purchase and keep. *Making, Not Breaking: The First Year Under Saddle*

If you are looking for a step by step book for training your colt under saddle, this probably isn't it by itself. But Cherry Hill gives great guidance for the proper way to start teaching a colt to be a trusted partner under saddle. I really like how she just sets out her recommendations in a clear, general way. I feel it leaves the individual owner to fill in the details depending on the horse's needs/personality, and the owner's abilities. In short; well worth the price.

Excellent, common sense approach for training young horses in an effective and compassionate manner. Includes information applicable to both English and Western riding.

This is a very nice book, I like the lists throughout the books as a visual learning tool.

Bought it for a friend who like it

Required for school BUT enjoyed this book and recommend for anyone interested in horses! EASY READ AND VERY INFORMATIVE BOOK!

This is really a good book for any horse owner or someone wanting to learn more about horses.

Thank you

This book is a step-by-step manual detailing proper ways to start young horses. It is easy to read, and is very helpful. I have a couple of books written by this author and all of them are very well written.

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