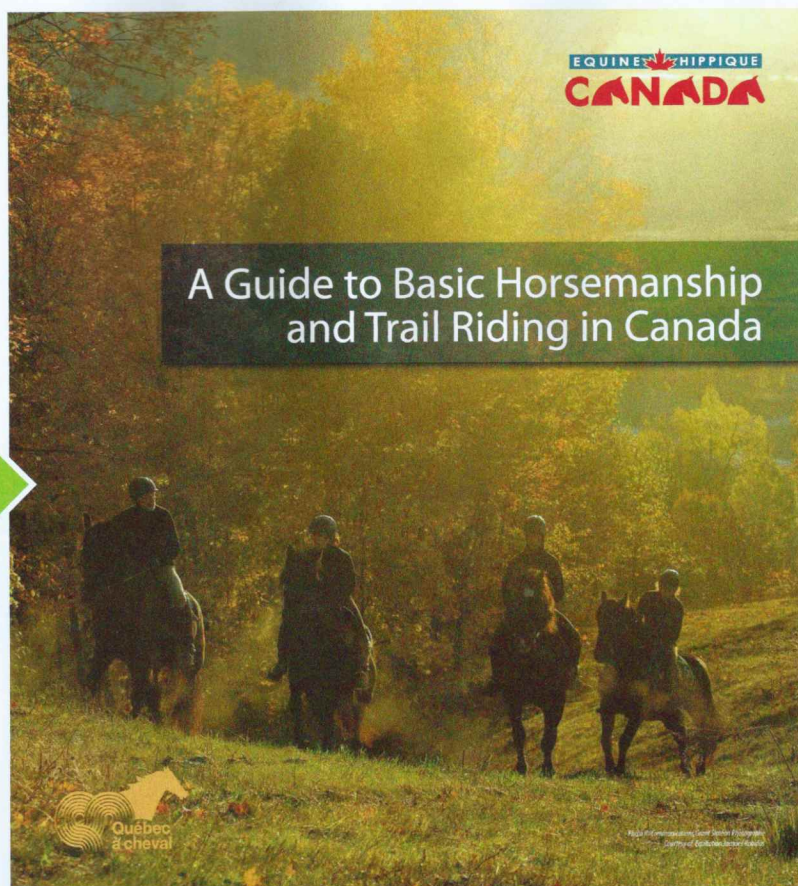


A Guide to Basic Horsemanship and Trail Riding in Canada

Equine Canada is proud to launch the English version of Québec à cheval trail riding manual *L'Équitation de Plein Air, manuel de référence*.

This book is designed specifically for equestrian outdoor enthusiasts who wish to learn more about horse health, stable management and trail safety.

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EC to Lead the Way for **All Canadian Trail Users**

On Feb. 10 2014, Equine Canada, in collaboration with Université de Sherbrooke, invited all the major stakeholders in the national trail community across Canada to meet at the EC annual convention to discuss the possibility of creating a functional and efficient national trail mapping tool — portal where riders could access information they might need to visit a province or a region using horse trails. Of course, in order to accomplish the development of a portal, it makes sense to have everyone work together. The idea for a national trail network was inspired by EC with the understanding that this portal could only happen by working with the entire Canadian trail community.

The goals heading into the meeting

were to determine if this kind of portal was necessary (and feasible) and useful for the trail community, and if so, what features it should display.

The outcome of the meeting was extremely positive. The majority of the participants felt this project should move forward and that we need to find a way to promote Canadian trails in a more cohesive manner at the national level.

This project now has the green light to proceed, and the next steps have been mapped out with the National Trails Coalition (an expert group), to work on the project. For more information about this new initiative visit the Equestrian Tourism section of www.equinecanada.ca/recreation.

National evaluation for the new **Trail Riding and Tourism Certification Program**

Equine Canada is proud to announce the first national evaluation for Trail Leaders, Trail Riding Instructors, Guides and Evaluators.

This evaluation will take place from June 11 to June 13 at Broadleaf Guest Ranch in New Brunswick. www.broadleafranch.com

All interested candidates are invited to visit the Equestrian Tourism section of www.equinecanada.ca/recreation.

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