



South Dakota State  
**EQUESTRIAN**

2026 Horse Sale

# Sale Information

Should you have any questions about the horses or the sale, please feel free to contact Head Coach Julia Werkhoven at [Julia.werkhoven@sdstate.edu](mailto:Julia.werkhoven@sdstate.edu) or (480)-316-0161.

## Horse Health and Management

All horses are current on farrier care, deworming, and vaccinations (Vetera Gold and Prestige Equirab (Rabies)). A current Coggins will be issued for all horses. For any horses traveling across state lines, a health certificate will be issued.

## Pick Up

All horses must be picked up from the DeHaan Equestrian Center within 14 days after the completion of sale week (no later than June 19th at 5 pm). Buyers must have a bill of sale in hand before a horse may be loaded in the trailer.

# Horse Preview

**Preview: May 27th from 12:00 - 2:00 pm**

**Location: DeHaan Equestrian Center 1823 US-14 BYP, Brookings, SD 57006**

The horse preview is a time to look at and evaluate interested horses. There will be no riding trials done during this time. Showing up to the preview does not guarantee first right to ownership of the horse. This is merely showing interest in wanting to potentially purchase said horse.

1. We strongly urge buyers to thoroughly examine the horses that interest them. They will have to back their judgment with money. All sales are absolute and final.
2. There is no warranty, expressed or implied by the owner of any horse or the consigner of any horse as to the soundness, condition, merchantability or fitness for any particular purpose of any horse offered in this sale. All horses are sold "as is" with all existing conditions and defects.
3. The form of payment accepted is a check made out to SDSU Athletics. All paperwork will be held until the financial transaction is finalized.
4. **The buyer is based on first come basis.** If any dispute arises between or among two or more parties, the sole authority to settle the dispute as he/she sees fit is reserved by South Dakota State Athletics, and that decision shall be final.

# How To Purchase

**Sale Week: June 1st - June 5th**

**Email Interest Starts: June 1st at 8:30 am**

If interested in purchasing one of the following horses, please follow the steps below:

1. Email the Athletic Shared Services Center, after the Email Interest Start date and time, at **[SDSU.AthleticSharedServices@sdstate.edu](mailto:SDSU.AthleticSharedServices@sdstate.edu)** to show interest.
2. The Email to the Shared Services Center should include the following information:
  - a. Name (First and Last) and contact information
  - b. Address - for transportation purposes\*
  - c. Horse(s) interested in
3. Once you send an email, you will receive a response with payment details and follow-up instructions.

\*All buyers are responsible for transportation after purchase. We can assist with setting up transportation, if needed.

All horses are priced based on a valuation rubric in consultation with our veterinarian. The valuation rubric is broken down as shown below:

**\$1,000:** Sound & usable; capable of being ridden at all gaits with no major maintenance needs, but unsuitable for team use.

**\$100:** Limited-use retirement horse; light walk/trot only, requiring routine medical maintenance.

**\$10:** Pasture retirement horse; unusable for riding, unsound at walk/trot, or of extreme age.



# Lot 1: \$10



**Registered Name:** Ervita

**Barn Name:** Vita

**Breed:** Warmblood

**Age:** 25

**Discipline while with the Team:** Fences/Flat

**Description:** Vita has had a long career as a jumper. In her peak, she competed up to the 1.30 with a junior. When she came to South Dakota State, she was a part of our fences lineup for two years. More recently, she has done the flat until she reached the point of retiring. She does have Equine Cushings Disease, which requires her to be on daily Prascend to manage. The vet has recommended her to be retired to a pasture with light riding (limited to walking). We believe that Vita would be a great addition to a therapeutic riding program since she is a gentle giant and suitable for beginners.



# Lot 2: \$10000



**Registered Name:** Heidi's Stew

**Barn Name:** Harrison

**Breed:** Thoroughbred

**Age:** 8

**Discipline while with the Team:** Fences/Flat

**Description:** Harrison came to South Dakota State as a green five-year-old. He has helped in both fences and flat practices and has competed in a handful of competitions. Harrison has struggled with the format of our program, which requires him to have multiple riders. He prefers to have one person care for him. Harrison also enjoys being in turnout 24/7. He has had a tendency to be aggressive in his stall. He will require an advance rider as he can be unpredictable, but once settled into a program that fits his needs, he will thrive!



# Lot 3: \$10



**Registered Name:** Counting Stars

**Barn Name:** Joey

**Breed:** Thoroughbred

**Age:** 18

**Discipline while with the Team:** Fences

**Description:** Joey came to South Dakota State in 2019. While on the team, he has been a staple in the fences lineup. He has been one of the athletes' favorite horses to ride. Joey is full of personality and loves being in turnout with friends. Since September 2025, he has been battling lameness in the hind end. For this reason the vet has recommended to be retired to a pasture with no work. He would make a great companion horse as he has an easy personality and gets along great with others.



# Lot 4: \$100



**Registered Name:** Victoria's Valentine

**Barn Name:** Aggie

**Breed:** Appaloosa

**Age:** 23

**Discipline while with the team:** Reining

**Description:** Aggie has been a part of our reining team since 2013. At 23, she is still a hot mare that loves her job. She has more than earned a job that will allow her to slow down. She does have Equine Cushings Disease, which requires her to be on daily Prascend to manage. She is a great horse, but will require an advanced rider as she is a quick girl!



# Lot 5: \$100



**Registered Name:** Hot Mia

**Barn Name:** Mia

**Breed:** Appaloosa

**Age:** 21

**Discipline while with the Team:** Flat

**Description:** Mia has been a part of the South Dakota State herd since 2013. She has been a constant in our flat line-up for many years. She is simple to ride and good at her job. Mia is your typical mare. She is opinionated and strong-willed and needs a confident handler on the ground. Mia has been ridden in English and Western and has done well in both. She is best suited for an intermediate rider.



# Lot 6: \$100



**Registered Name:** Mardi Gras Mambo

**Barn Name:** Mambo

**Breed:** Warmblood

**Age:** 14

**Discipline while with the Team:** Fences

**Description:** Mambo has been the heart of the fences lineup. Since coming to South Dakota State in 2023, he has loved his job and performed consistently for us. In March, Mambo suffered a border tear in his deep digital flexor tendon. Since then, we have actively been following the vet's recommendation for rehab. He has shown great results, but his next family would need to continue his rehab protocol. Our vet believes he will make a return to lower-level jumping and flatwork. He would be a great addition to any lesson program once given sufficient time to recover.



# Lot 7: \$10000



**Registered Name:** The Spice Girl

**Barn Name:** Chili

**Breed:** Quarter Horse

**Age:** 6

**Discipline while with the Team:** Horsemanship

**Description:** Chili came to South Dakota State Equestrian last year as a horsemanship horse. She is beautiful, fancy and great at her job. Although she has all those qualities, she does not like the multiple rider format and has developed some bad habits because of it. We can see Chili having a successful career for someone who wants to work with her and take their time. Chili has been previously treated for ulcers. She will require an advanced rider.



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