

Horse-riding Programme (experienced riders)



Programme Overview

- * The basis of the horse riding programme and the main key to its' success is that students do not reside in a residential centre, instead they enjoy the all-encompassing experience of staying with an Irish host family. **STUDENTS MUST BE EXPERIENCED HORSE RIDERS.**
- * Staying with a host family is designed to allow students to learn English through total immersion in an English speaking environment. **The focus of this programme is on the student participating in daily family life and activities while enjoying a minimum of 8 hours horse-riding a week.**

Matching to a host family

Students are carefully matched to a host family based on the student information provided. Students will be placed with a family who have children.

For this programme each of our families share a common love and interest in horses.

Each and every family is carefully selected and approved. They are happy to welcome students into their home to share the daily life of their family.

Daily Itinerary

The focus of this programme is on the student being warmly welcomed to experience the life and activities of their host family. Every family's day and routine is different from that of another. Horse riding is a key component of the day, with the student guaranteed at least 8 hours riding per week but often much more! The student is also expected to partake in the care of their allocated horse during their stay and become involved in yard duties etc.

TO BOOK THIS PROGRAMME

A video of student riding must be sent to MLC to show ability. Students height and weight must be provided at time of booking.

Essentials to bring

- Riding Hat
- Body Protector
- Riding Boots
- Jodhpurs

Will students have their own room?

Students may have their own room, they may be sharing with a host child or they may be sharing with another student of a different nationality. As each family home is unique to each family, everyone will be different. Specific requests may be accommodated.

Horse - Riding Details

The number of horses and facilities owned by or available to each family vary greatly. Our families range from those who own and run equestrian centres where each family member is involved, to those who own just two horses and only one host child rides. This range ensures that we have families to meet the needs of every student who comes on this programme irrespective of their riding experience. **Please make us aware of your riding level when booking.**

Will there be other students with the family?

Each student will be the only student of their nationality with the family. There may be a student of a different nationality also staying with the host family at the same time.



Location

Families are located throughout Ireland

Will Wifi be available?

99% of families have wifi in their homes but dependant on location it may sometimes be unavailable.