

GROVE RIVER RANCH, LLC
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OVERNIGHT STABLING & TRAVELING LAYOVERS

Georgia Dept. of Agriculture requires all horses to be transported with their original negative Coggins, current within twelve months. Out of state horses are required to also have a health certificate. A signed Waiver of Liability is required, form attached. The Ranch Rules are also attached – please be familiar with them before you arrive.

Please call at least two days in advance to make reservations if possible. Advance payment is not usually required, depending on availability. If advance payment is required, Venmo can be used. If paying when checking in, you can pay with cash or check, no credit or debit cards. Turn in or fill out the Waiver of Liability when you check in.

Check-in is from 2:00 p.m. until dark, unless other arrangements are made. There is a \$20 surcharge for arrivals before 8 a.m. or after 7 p.m. Check-out: 12:00 p.m. Arriving earlier or later will result in being charged for another night.

Stall fees include initial bedding, additional bedding may be purchased. Camp sites have electric and water hooks, picnic tables and fire rings. There is a dump station on the premises. In the stables is a bathroom with a hot water shower.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE 10 MPH SPEED LIMIT! The Stables are in the building on the right. Pull down the left side of the stables to unload at the 8'X6' roll-up door. All hay unloaded from your truck/trailer must be contained in a bag and may be left in front of your stall. When finished unloading, pull straight ahead to the campground if you have reservations, or continue around the stables in a clockwise direction to park on the side of the wide gravel area in front of the barn next to the pastures. There will be plenty of room for another trailer to pull around you on the right. *Please do not park on the grass or on the asphalt.*

An employee of the ranch will feed your horses at the same time our horses are fed if you will leave their feed rations in buckets in front of the stalls. Tie up horses to steel beams in the stables, not to stall fronts or fences please. "Reserved" cards will be placed on your assigned stalls. Please do not put horses or other pets in stalls except those assigned to you.

If you need to cancel your reservations, please contact CJ Farmer. When you know your anticipated time of arrival, or to advise of a change in your expected time of arrival, please call/text CJ at 770-540-8380.

The best driving directions are on the web site www.GroveRiverRanch.com. **GPS is not always reliable the last mile or two.**

Our staff works hard to keep the barn areas clean and safe. Your cooperation will certainly be appreciated. We hope you will enjoy your stay at Grove River Ranch, LLC, and visit us again soon!

The Management

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WAIVER OF LIABILITY - Equestrian

This WAIVER OF LIABILITY is made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20____ by and between CJ Farmer, designated as Manager/Facility Owner/Riding Instructor, and **(PRINT NAME)**_____, hereinafter designated as Rider, and, if Rider/visitor is a minor under the age of 18, Rider's parents/guardian **(PRINT NAME)**_____. In return for the use today, and on all future days, the Rider/Visitor and undersigned do hereby understand and agree to the following for myself, my family, heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal representatives:

I am aware of and agree to assume any and all risks involved in or arising from my use of or my presence upon the facilities at Grove River Ranch LLC, including, but not limited to, the risks of death, bodily injury, property damage, falls, kicks, bites, collisions, fires, the unavailability of on-site medical care, the negligence and/or deliberate act of another person, and any consequential damages which may be incurred by me at Grove River Ranch, LLC.

WARNING

UNDER GEORGIA LAW, AN EQUINE ACTIVITY SPONSOR OR EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY OR DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 12 OF TITLE 4 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Grove River Ranch LLC, it's owners, officers/directors, employees, agents, affiliates and successors from any and all claims, causes of action, for damages, judgments, expenses and attorney's fees that may arise in any way from my use of or presence at Grove River Ranch LLC.

I understand that horses can behave in unpredictable ways, which can result in accidents to anyone at any time, and that an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, vehicles, persons, animals, scents, or insects cannot be predicted. I assume responsibility for the horse I will be riding, and I assume responsibility for using protective gear such as hard hat, boots, etc.

If riding a horse not furnished by Grove River Ranch LLC, I warrant said horse to be free from contagious diseases, to have a current negative Coggins, a health certificate for out-of-state horses, and to be suitable and safe for this equine activity. I also agree to exercise due care to prevent injury to any and all horses.

I agree to be responsible for my own health, life and personal property insurance, which may include equine mortality/theft/surgical insurance.

I agree to assume responsibility, if I take a horse outside the barn area, for any risks arising from weather, rough terrain, wild animals, poisonous/toxic plants, and other adverse conditions associated with any natural environment.

I give permission to Grove River Ranch, LLC, without limitation or obligation, to use photographs and film footage which may include me or my child's image or voice for the sole purpose of promoting or interpreting programs, and release Grove River Ranch, LLC, employees and agents from any claim or liability to that use.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO ABIDE BY THIS WAIVER AND THE RANCH RULES.

Signature of Rider/Visitor

Manager/Instructor's Signature

Signature of Mother (or guardian) if under 18

Signature of Father (or guardian) if under 18

Address _____

Emergency Contact _____

Relation to Rider _____

Emergency Cell Phone _____

Cell Number _____

Emergency Home Phone _____

Home Number _____

Emergency Home Phone _____

Email Address _____

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RANCH RULES - Equestrians

Violation of any of the policies and rules above may result in being asked to leave without a refund. Please report any problems or damages to the management as soon as possible 770-540-8380. Enjoy your stay at the ranch!

DRIVEWAYS & COMMON AREAS

Park only in designated parking areas, do not park on the grass

Drive slowly (15 mph) around the equestrian center for maximum safety and minimum dust. Please watch for farm equipment operators, employee traffic, horses being turned out, loose dogs, deer, and other driveway activity. Be mindful of visitors touring the ranch on foot, most of whom will be children. The horse trails cross the driveway in several places. No ATV's, golf carts, or dirt bikes.

Fishing is allowed at the pond – no catch and release, keep what you catch. Swimming in the pond is not allowed for humans or horses.

We prefer that visitors do not bring dogs to the ranch. However, any dogs belonging to visitors, patrons, boarders, their guests, family, and employees must be contained on a study leash not to exceed 10 feet in length, in a crate, or within a vehicle during the entire visit to Grove River Ranch. Absolutely no dogs inside the indoor arena rooms, stables bathroom, river cabin or bunk house!

Visitors and residents are responsible for properly disposing of pet waste and for any damages caused by pets, including horses. Please clean up after your horse and dogs in all common areas. You may walk your dog to poop in the woods, not on any sodded or landscaped areas, or where there is normal foot traffic. Do not walk your dogs in the picnic shelter area.

Alcohol beverages are allowed at the cabin and in the campground only in the possession of legal aged adults.

Vulgar, rowdy, threatening or dangerous behavior will not be tolerated anywhere on the premises. Guests exhibiting objectionable behavior will be asked to leave the premises with no refunds of any fees paid.

EQUESTRIAN CENTER

No smoking inside the indoor arena, stables, or apartments. Please dispose butts in provided containers provided.

No consumption of alcoholic beverages allowed in the stables, indoor arena, or on the trails.

In the best interest of safety for everyone, the equestrian center area is not to be used for any recreational activity other than horses - NO bicycle riding, ball playing, etc. Any visiting children under the age of 16 who are not participating in a lesson must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

The Stables are in the building on the right. If you have stalls reserved, pull halfway down the left side of the stables to unload at the 8' roll-up door. All hay unloaded from your truck/trailer must be contained in a bag and may be left in front of your stall. Please clean up any

hay/shavings/manure that may fall out of your trailer). Place manure in designated containers only, the manure pit is located at the edge of the woods behind the stables, next to the turquoise trail entrance.

When finished unloading, pull straight ahead to the campground or continue around the stables in a clockwise direction to park on the left side of the wide gravel area in front of the barn. There will be plenty of room for another trailer to pull around you on the right. Please do not park on the grass or on the asphalt, only in designated areas to avoid blocking driveways – it is a fire hazard to block any barn exits. Do not drive or park on the grass please! Keep horses off the Bermuda sod.

Tying horses to trailers is permissible in the gravel at the equestrian center, hay bags must stay **inside** the trailer

Guests may also use the bathroom and shower at the stables at no additional charge, only between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. Turn off the hot water heater breaker before you leave the bathroom. The laundry facilities in the stables are for the exclusive use of the bunk house tenant.

When visiting the stables, be reminded that these facilities are usually leased to boarders, residents or guests and they deserve privacy and respect for their animals and property.

Do not feed the horses. Do not pet any horses without prior approval from the owner, and at such time only at your own risk. Most horses BITE. Residents and visitors agree to hold GRR owner and staff harmless for any injury, loss or death, resulting from visiting the barn or pasture areas.

If you have children with you, please do not allow running and rowdy behavior in the arena or stables. Ask them to move slowly and quietly around horses, do not walk or stand behind horses.

TRAIL RULES

Riders under 18 must wear a helmet. Minimum rider age is 7 years old, previous trail riding experience required. No riding double, and no ponying on trails.

The trail terrain is sometimes mountainous, a breast collar for your horse is recommended.

When riding the property, stay on designated marked trails, gravel or dirt roads. Do not shortcut switchbacks. Getting off the trail greatly increases your chances of stepping in a hole, encountering dangerous terrain, stirring up a yellow jacket nest, or getting lost. Do not trespass onto adjoining private property. Comply with all signs and respect barriers.

Cross the river/creeks and water your horse only at designated crossings.

Loose dogs strictly prohibited on trails as well as all other areas of the ranch.

During hunting seasons, it is recommended that riders wear bright orange vests and/or a cow bell.

No racing or rough riding on trails or dirt roads,

No unauthorized ATV's or golf carts or on the trails.

Do not tie up horses within 25 feet of the creek or any picnic tables

Protect the scenic value of the trails by not littering. Whatever you pack out on the trail or to picnic areas, be sure to pack out again.

Please do not feed the swamp creature.

CAMPGROUND

Check-in: Check-in and check-out time is 12:00 noon, unless other arrangements are made. Arriving earlier or checking out later will result in being charged for another night.

Verbal reservations are accepted, but camp sites are not guaranteed until fee is received. Deposits are recommended for reservations on busy weekends. No refunds are given, credits issued at management's discretion. Rescheduling is allowed without a fee if notice is given at least 5 days in advance unless trails are closed for last minute wet conditions.

Only one family per hook-up, maximum of 3 people per site, one trailer/camper, and two vehicles where space allows. All sites are required to have at least one adult (over 18) who is accountable for the actions and safety of the camp site occupants and liable for any damages caused by them. No more than two dogs per site.

Quiet time in the campground is 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. No bright lights, no music, no loud talking or other noises, and no vehicles are allowed to travel in and out of the campground during this time. Enjoy and maintain the restful atmosphere at GRR and be respectful of each other.

Be considerate that your outdoor lights are not shining brightly on other campers at night.

Park vehicles only on the paved site pads or gravel areas off the driveway – **no parking on the grass.** No rugs or tents to be placed on the grass.

Tying horses to trailers is permissible at the equestrian center, but NOT in the campground or at the cabin. NO HORSES/MANURE/HAY IN CAMP SITES at any time. No cleaning out trailer in camp site.

Trash receptacles are located behind the stables. Do not leave food or trash outside your site as it will attract stray dogs and undesirable critters.

Dogs must remain tethered, crated, on a leash or in a vehicle while at the camp sites or the rest of the ranch. Use tree-saver straps to tie to trees. Do not leave dogs outside unattended. Dogs who bark excessively and enough to disturb other guests will be required to leave.

Campfires are allowed in provided rings only, and not allowed during hot, dry and windy conditions when fire danger is listed as high. Bring your own firewood, any limbs or branches on the ground may be used for kindling. Do not cut trees or limbs of any size. Keep a container of water beside fires at all times. No fires are to be left unattended at any time. Pour water on coals when retiring or leaving the site. No plastic, metal or cigarette butts in the fire rings.

Feed, groom, and tack up your horses while tied or corralled in the spaces provided behind each camp site. Do not tie up horses to trees, corrals, electric hookup posts, or lantern holders.

Do not hose off your horse in the camping area. A washing area with hitching post is provided next to the well house near Site #5, and at the stables. No vehicle washing in the campground area.

Scatter uneaten hay and manure from your corral or high line area, disperse in the woods prior to your departure. Pick up all hay strings.

No fireworks allowed at any time.

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