

BASKEY

DOB 5/18/1992

Arabian, Gelding, 14.1 hh

Saffyre Sanctuary Resident since 2012

The man who owned Baskey fell on very hard times; the boarding facility threatened to lock him out and lien the horses for unpaid board. The boarding facility was filthy; everything they walked on was ground up manure. The environment they lived in was akin to a feedlot. The horses were dirty, anxious and at a body score of 3-4. Their feet hadn't been done in 6 months. On the property they were butchering animals; legs of goats were lying on the ground along with dead rats. Baskey was the calmest of all of them because he couldn't see the slaughter from his stall.

Baskey was bred at Magness Arabians, but was stunted as a foal. He had colic surgery in his younger days. His big round belly is from the difficulties of healing from that surgery. After Baskey came to Saffyre Sanctuary he was gelded with the help of One Horse At A Time and that was also a difficult healing process for him.

When Esta went into Baskey's stall he broke her heart. He was depressed, but still had a bit of hopefulness in his eyes when she touched him. She told him she was there to help and he put his neck over her shoulder and gave her a very loving hug.

Baskey's personality now is sweet and calm and he's very gentle with everyone. He loves to play and still runs like a young stallion. He cares about the mares around him and gets very worried when they are out of their stalls for turnout. He's been known to do energy healing in many subtle ways just from people being in his presence. He loves food and takes any opportunity he can to sneak something in his mouth. He is very wise and aware when working with children. He loves to cuddle and suckle with just about anyone, so if you find him sucking on your shoulder or shirt beware because he has been known to take a little bite. Being the oldest gelding of our rescues and just by being who he is, he is the leader of the herd when playing in the arena. As the professor, he's very clear about what he wants and what he doesn't.