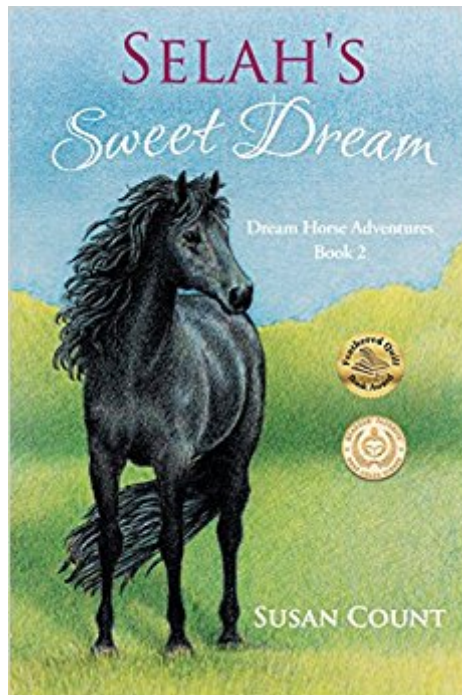




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# Selah's Sweet Dream (Dream Horse Adventures Book 2)



## Synopsis

American Horse Publications - FIRST PLACE - Equine Fiction..... Feathered Quill - GOLD Award.....Readers Favorites - GOLD Award..... ã A delightful read. Plenty of twists and turns which makes the book a great little adventure. Selah embodies perseverance, hope, determination, compassion, and spunk.ã Twelve-Year-Old SELAH (Say-la) aspires to be an equestrian superstar. That would require a horse.HER DILEMMA: Grandpa wants nothing to do with horses.THEN: Selah sees buzzards circling the grasslands behind Grandpa's farm. They are stalking a horse trapped in wire and Selah is its only hope.DANGEROUS: The horse is wild and defiant - jeopardizing Selah's dreams.FOILED: The legal owner searched for the horse for two years and wants it back.BUT: Selah is confident that God will provide her heart's desire.MEMORIES: Grandpa shows Selah a video, from long ago, of a phenomenal equestrian. Selah declares that she wants to be like her and Grandpa explains the rider was her grandmother.HOPE: A world renowned horse trainer offers to train SweetDream and Selah.FOILED AGAIN: Her parents could ruin everything unless Sweet Dream's unruly behavior ruins it first.LOST: Selah's opportunity to mirror the equestrian talent of her renowned grandmother evaporates when the horse causes mayhem at the trainer's facility.NEVER GIVE UP: Will Selah gather her courage and face up to the trainer to save her aspirations?

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QUILL says: A wonderful combination of inspiration and engaging horse adventure.  
KIRKUS REVIEW An engaging horse tale with a lot of heart. The story has plenty of suspenseful passages.  
READER'S FAVORITE ~ ~ ~ FIVE STAR REVIEW  
Never a dull moment... A simple and elegant story with a good message. Story Monsters Ink: Grab a box of tissues and find a cozy spot. It will completely consume you. Live each page, taste the desire, feel the heaviness of disappointment and frustration. Truly a story of heart, struggle, and victory. A powerful impact.

Captivated by The Black Stallion series, I consumed horse books. I love all things horse and am a devoted student of equine training techniques of all disciplines. I am caretaker of three equine blessings. They are a gift of His unmerited favor. The only thing more fun than riding horses is writing stories about them. Ride along with me: <https://www.susancount.com/>

A very well written book which is not only a good story with many twists and turns, but is obviously written by someone with knowledge of horse training skills. The ability to get inside the head of the horse and the girl, and also give a peek into the world of professional horse trainers makes this book stand above other "girl dreams of getting a horse" tales. The Christian references throughout the book are refreshing and it is nice to read a book which encourages determination and integrity in a wholesome family life setting. I highly recommend this book and would look forward to more work published by this author.

I like to read books at bedtime to my eight year old granddaughter and she loved this one. Selah is a sweet, sometimes sassy little girl with an intense love for horses. My granddaughter said she would like to have a friend like Selah. She and I also learned a few things about horse training and dressage competition by reading this book. I enjoyed the book almost as much as she did!

I don't even like horses, but I did end up liking this book despite the occasional swoonings over horses. This is the perfect book for horse-crazy girls.

I definitely enjoyed this coming of age story about a girl called Selah who loves horses. Just like every other horse-mad girl, Selah, who lives in America, makes plans for getting a horse someday.

But her parents and grandfather are in no hurry for that to happen, even though Grandfather used to keep horses and his late wife won showing and reining classes. Then Selah spots a horse running wild on the open grasslands. Could this black horse be meant for her? With other farm animals like a smart sheepdog, and various other horses once the training part of the story gets under way, the tale is packed with characters, action and information. Selah is not perfect - she gets some things wrong and, of course the adults around her are focused on keeping her safe. Sweet Dream the black mare is a considerable handful but responds to the natural, cruelty-free training methods in the round pen. And even respected horsemen aren't always right about everything, a good lesson to learn. I was really sorry for Selah when her stomach gets stressed because of all the stress happening to her and how important keeping Dream has become. This kind of emotional detail makes her very genuine as a young heroine. Remember, bravery doesn't mean not feeling fear. Bravery is being afraid but acting anyway. The story has a lot going on but progresses smoothly and the characters' actions grow naturally from events. I can recommend this book to young readers from eight to thirteen, and a family might like to use it as a discussion starter. Be prepared for an inspirational theme as the family sometimes chooses to pray about difficult decisions or see good outcomes as blessings. I noted that this gave Selah and her grandfather a way to relate to each other. The author made this book available to me as an ARC. This is an unbiased review. I would be happy to read more by this author.

This is exactly the kind of story I would have loved to read to my girls as they were growing up!! We spent a good deal of time around horses when the girls were this age, and they both understand the challenges of training an intelligent and ornery horse!! I think the story very accurately depicts horse behavior, and what it is like to take a horse that has basically been left to it's own devices and train it to respond to human given direction. It's a great story to give to those girls who dream of having a horse, but don't yet understand the responsibility of having a horse. Selah is a determined young lady who does not lose heart when things do not go as smoothly as planned. These "horse" lessons are also life lessons, we often do not expect so many obstacles as we pursue our dreams, but that is reality. Selah faces her challenges with spunk and perseverance and hope- and she is a great role model for any young lady!!

A young girl and her dream to own a horse! This story details hopes, determination, family values and best of all, a magnificent horse with a good bloodline. Rescued, Sweet Dream, has a mind of her own. Selah's heart is big enough to handle her and all the bumps in the road. A perfect book for

horse lovers and all thing 'horse!'

Selah's Sweet Dream tells the story of Selah's dream; to own a horse and to, take her dream, further to be an equestrian superstar. However, there are barriers that she must overcome to make this dream come true. The first thing that struck me about this novel is the beautiful cover art and illustrations. This would be one book I would love to own in print. It would look so good on my bookshelf and on those of the many horse mad teenagers out there. Selah, our young protagonist, is determined and, also very sweet. Susan Count writes in a style that fits perfectly with the genre. The storyline has plenty of twists and turns which makes the book a great little adventure for younger kids to read. The author evidently has plenty of knowledge of horses which results in the book becoming a good learning resource for children of the same age. I mean, who couldn't love to read about a nice girl whose dreams match your own? I loved Selah's Sweet Dream and I would be delighted to read more from Susan Count, even if the book wasn't about horses. Received book for free in exchange for an honest review

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