



The Natural Connection INC. @ the Marriott Ranch Trail Ride Release Form

Date: _____ **Public Ride Times:** 10am 12pm 1pm 2pm 3pm 5pm

Other Rides: Private Ride Dinner Ride Day Ride Cattle Drive Overnight

Under Virginia Law, an equine activity sponsor or an equine professional shall not be liable for an injury to or death of a participant engaged in an equine activity resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to Va. Code Ann. §3.1-796.132. _____ INITIAL

Inherent Risks and Assumption of Risk. The undersigned acknowledges there are inherent risks associated with equine activities such as described below, and hereby expressly assumes all risks associated with participating in such activities. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to the propensity of equines to behave in ways such as, running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on, that may result in an injury, harm or death to persons on or around them; the unpredictability of equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; collisions with other animals; the limited availability of emergency medical care; and the potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal or not acting within such participant's ability. _____ INITIAL

User acknowledges that horses, by their very nature are unpredictable and subject to animal whim. User assumes all risks in connection therewith, and expressly waives any claims for any injury or loss arising therefrom. User agrees to abide by and follow Manager's rules and regulations which, shall be posted and/or available from time to time. User further acknowledges that the behavior of any animal is contingent to some extent upon the ability of User. **User assumes all risks therefore and warrants a full and fair disclosure of Rider's abilities has been made to Manager.** _____ INITIAL

User expressly releases Marriott International, the Marriott Ranch, The Marriott Ranch Properties INC., The Natural Connection INC., Jean French and family members, operators, management, owners, agents, officers, members, premises owners, insurers, and affiliated organizations, employees, and volunteers, from any and all claims for personal injury, death, or property damage, (if allowed by the laws of this State) by Management or its representatives, agents or employees. User waives his right to bring any action against the above listed entities. _____ INITIAL

USER (OR USER'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN IF USER IS A MINOR) AGREES TO HOLD HARMLESS, INDEMNIFY AND DEFEND MANAGEMENT AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, CAUSES OF ACTION, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, ORDERS, COSTS OR EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES, WHICH MAY IN ANY WAY ARISE FROM OR BE IN ANY WAY CONNECTED WITH USER'S USE OF OR PRESENCE UPON THE PROPERTY OF MANAGEMENT AND THE FACILITIES LOCATED THEREON. In the event User is a minor, the parent or guardian shall further indemnify, defend and hold Management harmless from any such claims by said minor child. The Natural Connection INC. located at 4439 Fiery Run Road, Linden, VA., 22642, maintains general liability insurance coverage and is permitted to provide trail rides for riders that are considered to be "ABLE-BODIED PARTICIPANTS." The Natural Connection INC is not licensed, certified nor insured for special needs or therapeutic riding. _____ INITIAL