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The Mischka's story

Nearly 40 years ago, Bob and Mary Mischka, with the help of their five boys, were raising 30 head of Percherons on their southeast Wisconsin farm. When they couldn't find a calendar to celebrate their love of draft horses, they made their own and started selling it out of their home. That small endeavor turned into Mischka Press ... selling Draft Horse, Driving Horse, Mule and Donkey wall calendars, an appointment calendar and a small desk calendar. Early on, giving our calendars became a holiday tradition for families across the country.

The Mischkas added books and videos both commemorating our past and celebrating those who continue

to use the skills of yesterday to do the work of today. Their son, Joe, and his wife, Susan, took over the business about 15 years ago and subsequently acquired **Rural Heritage Magazine** ... a natural addition to the Mischka's work of promoting rural America.

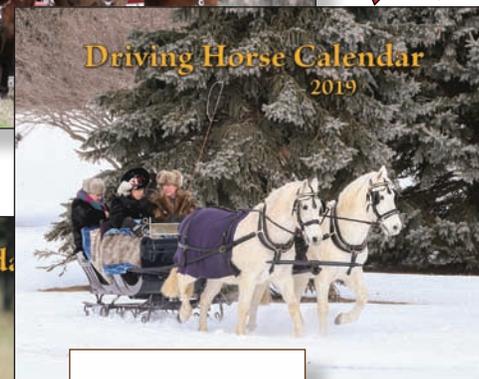
Throughout all the changes, the Mischka name has stood for quality, American-made products and friendly customer service.



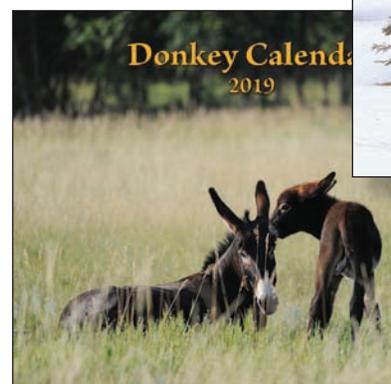
- They make excellent gifts!
- Made in the USA
- Outstanding photography
- Practical design
- Durable

2019 Wall & Appointment Calendar Quantity prices:

- 1: \$16.95
- 2: \$30 (\$15 ea)
- 3: \$45 (\$15 ea)
- 4: \$58 (\$14.50 ea)
- 5: \$72.50 (\$14.50 ea)
- 6: \$84 (\$14 ea)
- 7: \$98 (\$14 ea)
- 8: \$108 (\$13.50 ea)
- 9: \$121.50 (\$13.50 ea)
- 10+: \$13 each



Wall calendars:
12 x 19 inches when open



Stand-up calendars 1-3: \$8 each
4-6: \$7.50 each
quantity 7-10: \$7 each
discounts > 10: \$6.50 each



← Appointment

Stand-up ↓

RURAL HERITAGE MAGAZINE ...

Borrowing from yesterday to to the work of today

A Year in a Farm's Life

PART THREE: SUMMER & FALL

by Katrina Julian



Deer Damage Prevention

by Anne and Eric Nordell

In 2016, we received three requests for information about the sloped high tensile fence surrounding our market gardens. The first came from a dairy farmer who had cleared 90 acres of mountain top forest for his son to farm. He was interested in using this unusual electric fence

around the perimeter of the new farm to keep in livestock and keep out deer. The second inquiry came from vegetable growers at our farmers market who were experiencing significant deer damage. After taking measurements and photos of our fence they built one in time to save their 2016 crops. Their interest in the sloped fence inspired us to write this article.

View a sample issue at www.ruralheritage.com

Fly Protection

by Anne and Eric Nordell

We enjoyed a nice, long letter from a Rural Heritage subscriber in Kentucky. His free ranging correspondence ended with a question: I noticed you use fly netting on your horses. Do you think it is worth it?

The short answer is: "yes." The long answer? It really depends on your location, the work you are doing and the horses. We learned to farm with horses in southeastern Pennsylvania where biting flies were not a big

problem. So it was a surprise when we moved to the north-central part of the state to see our horses dancing and kicking in harness trying to shake off the deer flies, horse flies and green-heads. Old photos showed work horses in our area wearing leather fly netting. That seemed like a practical, common sense solution for fly protection, which had, unfortunately, gone out of fashion. When we saw an ad for new nylon fly nets, we immediately put in an order.

We are still using the fly nets we purchased more than 30 years ago. Since our source of fly netting in Illinois is no longer in business, we contacted



Fly nets and bonnets provide mechanical fly protection due to the movement of the strings when the horses are working.

WE celebrate and promote a way of life that has endured for centuries. Farming and logging with draft animal power, sustainable agriculture, and self-sufficient living are as important and relevant today as they were years ago. For 40 years, Rural Heritage has been a vital resource for

everyone who loves living off the land. Explore *ruralheritage.com* to see recent articles and a wide variety of resources for draft animal care and self-sufficient living.

Recent Articles in Rural Heritage:

- Harvesting Hay with a Scythe • Flint Corn Fundamentals • Do-It-Yourself Grain Bin • Tillage Techniques • Harnessing Wind Power • Ice Harvesting Building a Wheeled Plow

Rural Heritage rates:

- 1 yr./6 issues **\$34.95**
- 2 yrs./12 issues **\$66**
- 3 yrs./18 issues **\$96**

To Canada

- 1 yr./6 issues **\$58**
- 2 yrs./12 issues **\$113**

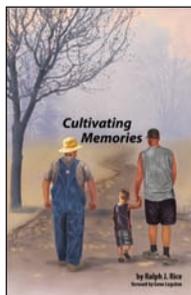
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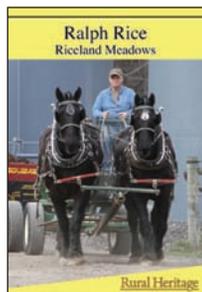
Rural Heritage is lucky to have many talented contributors. Get to know them from their books and DVDs

Ralph Rice farms with his team of Percherons on his 40-acre diversified farm in northeast Ohio, Riceland Meadows. His operation includes pigs, chickens, sheep, spelt, hay, and a maple syruping operation.



CULTIVATING MEMORIES. by *Ralph J. Rice*. Farmer/writer Ralph J. Rice shares his experiences of farming both in childhood and as an adult. His essays range from musings on the deeper meanings of farming and rural life, to hilarious anecdotes about his own mishaps on the farm. 24 black and white illustrations by artist Bethany Caskey. 240 pages. 5.5 x 8.5 inches. Softcover.
Item #1596. \$14.95

RICELAND MEADOWS. DVD. RFD compilation. Two episodes featuring Ralph Rice and his Ohio draft horse farm. Ralph takes Percherons into the woods to collect maple sap and skid logs and shows how to be profitable on a small, mixed-power diversified farm. 50 minutes.
Item #1607D. \$24.95



RICELAND MEADOWS FARM PLAN. DVD. RFD compilation. Three episodes filmed at Ralph Rice's farm in Ohio. (2018) **Episode 1** Ralph lays out his diversified farm to enhance efficiency and environmental safety. **Episode 2** Ralph explains more about how he set up his diversified farm to maximize efficiency. **Episode 3** Ralph demonstrates logging his woodlot and Stacy Lyn Harris plants a cucumber trellis and makes a salad. 70 minutes
Item #1646. \$29.95

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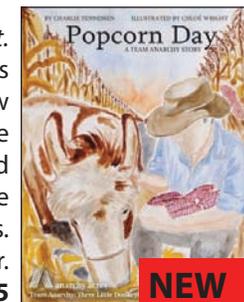
Charlie Tennesen farms with his donkeys, Rosie, Sebastian and Cassie on his 4-acre Wisconsin farm, Anarchy Acres. He has written about heritage grains, using a scythe and making harness for his donkeys.

KITCHEN CHAOS: Recipes from a Wisconsin Homestead. by *Charlie Tennesen*. Tennesen shares some of the recipes he uses for the grains, vegetables and eggs he raises. The recipes are arranged by meals: Breakfast through dinner, snacks and breads. Also includes a list of resources for market gardening, homesteading and sustainable agriculture. Beautiful, full color photographs. 77 pages. 8 x 10 inches. Softcover.
Item #1701. \$16.95



ROSIE'S NEW HARNESS. by *Charlie Tennesen*; illustrated *Chloe Wright*. Rosie the donkey was concerned. Her harness was missing for days. The Friendly Farmer took her teammates to plow without her! What happened to the harness? Was she still part of the team? The first in a series of three. Kindergarten through 3rd grade. 32 pages 8 x 10 inches. Softcover.
Item #1671. \$14.95

POPCORN DAY. by *Charlie Tennesen*; illustrated by *Chloe Wright*. The second in a series of children's books featuring Charlie's donkeys. With Sebastian not feeling well, Cassie must learn how to pull the popcorn cart and wait patiently in the field while the corn is harvested. But donkeys don't like to be alone, and the rustling cornstalks frighten her. Will she be able to save the popcorn harvest? Beautiful, whimsical, full color illustrations. 32 pages. 8 x 10 inches. Soft cover.
Item #1702. \$14.95



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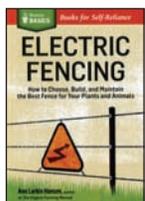


HAYSTACK RUMORS. by *Charlie Tennesen*; illustrated *Chloe Wright*. There's a rumor going around ... Children are saying that Sebastian is a biter. Can a brave girl discover the truth? The third installment of Charlie's delightful children's series features Sebastian the donkey. Beautiful illustrations by Chloé Wright. 40 pages. 8 x 10 inches. Soft cover. Softcover.
Item #1733. \$14.95

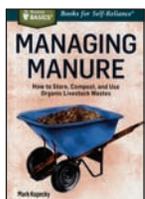
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HANDY GUIDES

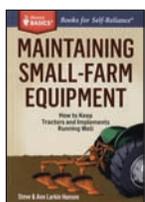
Compact books that pack a lot of information



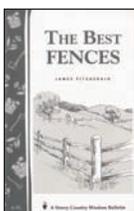
ELECTRIC FENCING. by Ann Larkin Hansen. How to Choose, Build and Maintain the Best Fence for Your Plants and Animals. Practical advice for choosing the right fencing for your needs, planning and installing your fence and performing ongoing testing and maintenance. Black and white illustrations. 92 pages. 5 x 7 inches. Soft cover. **Item 1716. \$9.95**



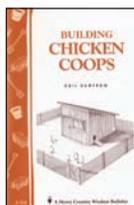
MANAGING MANURE. by Mark Kopecky. How to Store, Compost and Use Organic Livestock Wastes. Close the nutrient cycle in your small farm or garden by using manure to replenish the soil. Kopecky, an organic dairy farmer and soil scientist, guides you through the safe and effective storage, composting and spreading of manure -- an age-old solution to the modern problems of waste disposal and chemical fertilizers. Black & white illustrations. 109 pages. 5 x 7 inches. Softcover. **Item 1717. \$9.95**



MAINTAINING SMALL FARM EQUIPMENT. by Steve & Ann Larkin Hansen. How to Keep Tractors and Implements Running Well. To keep farm equipment running smoothly, you need good maintenance, the ability to spot and diagnose problems before they get out of hand and the tools and knowledge to make basic repairs. Black and white illustrations. 108 pages. 5 x 7 inches. Softcover. **Item 1718. \$9.95.**



THE BEST FENCES. by James Fitzgerald. Labeling the fence as "a monument to Order," this handy guide takes you through planning, legalities, avoiding problems, choosing materials, tools, techniques, gates and safety. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1719. \$3.95**

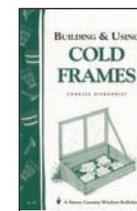


BUILDING CHICKEN COOPS. by Gail Damerow. Excerpted from Storey's "Guide to Raising Chickens." Damerow helps navigate you through planning, space needs, materials, siting a feeder, nests and nest boxes, a water source, fencing and more. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1720. \$3.95**

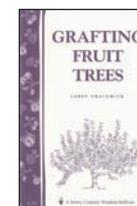
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Affordable, essential resources

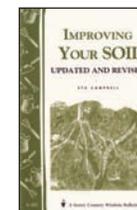
BUILDING & USING COLD FRAMES. by Charles Siegchrist. A lot of information packed into a few pages! Selecting a site, materials, preparations, assembly, hotbeds, through the seasons, transplants, greens into winter, future plans and much more. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1721. \$3.95**



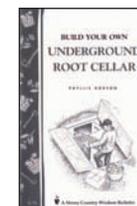
GRAFTING FRUIT TREES. by Larry Southwick. The author offers an overview of one of the oldest horticultural practices -- grafting, promising that "grafting and budding are not difficult." Topics covered include: tools, wound dressing, why graft?, types of grafts, budding and 10 essentials of successful grafting and budding. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1722 \$3.95**



IMPROVING YOUR SOIL. by Stu Campbell. "The key to understanding your garden soil is to understand where it came from, what it is and what it is becoming." Campbell's handy guide starts with explaining the components and life cycle of soil and moves onto how to improve it ... soil testing, balancing acidity and alkalinity, nutrients, amendments and difficult soils. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1723. \$3.95**

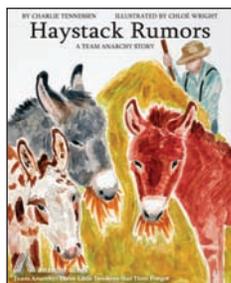
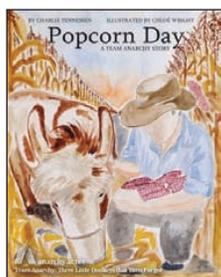
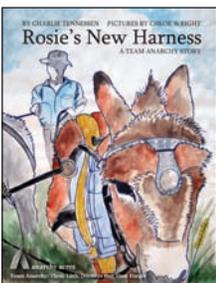


BUILD YOUR OWN UNDERGROUND ROOT CELLAR. by Phyllis Hobson. A quick guide to building a root cellar -- a valuable investment for any homestead. Find the right location, tools, materials, building the shelter, storage requirements, maintenance and more. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1724. \$3.95**

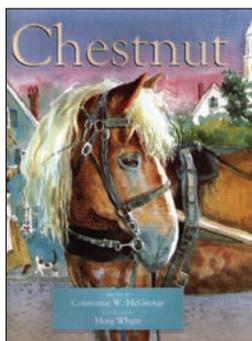


WOODLOT MANAGEMENT. by Jay Heinrichs. Practical and sound forestry practices for managing woodlands for fuelwood, timber, maple sugaring, recreational uses, and wildlife plus sources of help for the owner of a small woodlot. Black and white illustrations. 32 pages. 5.5 x 8 inches. Staple bound softcover. **Item 1317. \$3.95**





CHARLIE TENNESSEN'S children's books are **\$14.95** each and are featured on **page 7**. Follow the endearing stories of Rosie, Cassie and Sebastian, a team of donkeys that like to work and play together on their Wisconsin farm!

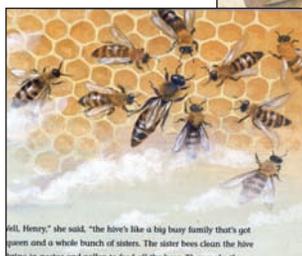
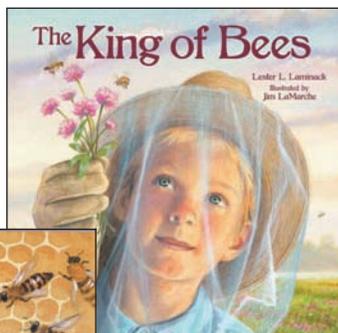


CHESTNUT. by Constance McGeorge, illustrated by Mary White. Chestnut is the horse that pulls Mr. Decker's delivery wagon, and on the day of a special birthday party has lots of deliveries to make, but after loading his wagon Mr. Decker falls asleep in his chair, so Chestnut sets out on his own to make the deliveries—a charming story depicted in attractive watercolor paintings. For ages 4 through 8. 32 pages, 9 x 10 inches. Hardcover.

Item #804. \$16.95

THE KING OF BEES. by Lester Laminack, illustrated by Jim LeMarche. Henry can't wait until he can have a bee suit of his own so he can help his Aunt Lilla with the sister bees. Day after day as Henry observes his aunt work with the beehives on their farm, he becomes fascinated with her bee suit and her ability to communicate with the bees. When he learns that the bees are getting ready to look for a new place to live, he tries to find a way to communicate with the sister bees to convince them to stay. Beautiful illustrations; for ages 4-8. 32 pages. 10.5 x 10.5 inches. Hardcover.

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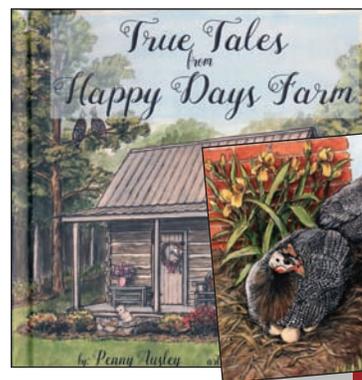
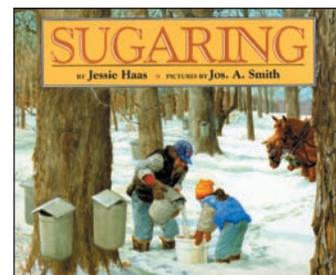


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...ll, Henry," she said. "the hive's like a big busy family that's got paven and a whole bunch of sisters. The sister bees clean the hive tello in nector and pollen to feed all the bees. They make the

SUGARING. by Jessie Haas. Gramp and Nora gather sap from maple trees to make syrup. Horses Bonnie and Stella pull the heavy tank filled with sap. After the work is done, all four are rewarded with a treat. Beautiful watercolor illustrations by Joseph Smith. A stunning book for ages 4-8. 24 pages. 10 x 8.5 inches. Hardcover.

Item #206. \$17.95



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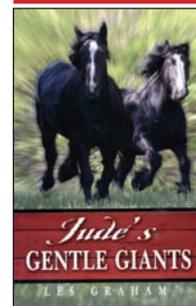
TRUE TALES FROM HAPPY DAYS FARM. by Penny Ausley, illustrated by Renee Brown. Four stories in one book

follow the adventures of a rooster, Guinea fowls, a chick and a rabbit as they all, in their own ways, find their place on the farm. A great price for a hardcover book. Beautiful color illustrations.

60 pages. 9 x 9 inches. Hardcover.

Item #1715. \$14.95

YOUNG ADULT FICTION



JUDE'S GENTLE GIANTS. by Les Graham. A Young Adult coming-of-age book about Jude Bonner, growing up in Minnesota, in 2005. This Christian-themed book follows Jude as he faces the challenges of training his Percherons, Pete and Joe. He encounters bullies, harsh winters, hard work and more. Along the way, he discovers what it means to have character, discipline, and faith. Black & white illustrations by Mike Bregel.

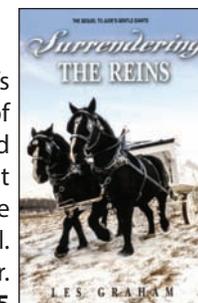
211 pages. 5.5 x 8.5 inches. Softcover.

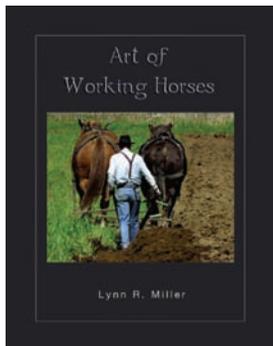
Item #1579. \$14.95

SURRENDERING THE REINS. by Les Graham. A sequel to "Jude's Gentle Giants," this book follows Jude as he faces the challenges of life, love and loss. Jude learns to rely on God as he faces the joys and difficulties of adult life in his marriage, work and health. Throughout it all, his horses, Pete and Joe, remain by his side as they pull the heaviest load of all. Black & white illustrations by Mike Bregel.

191 pages. 5.5 x 8.5 inches. Softcover.

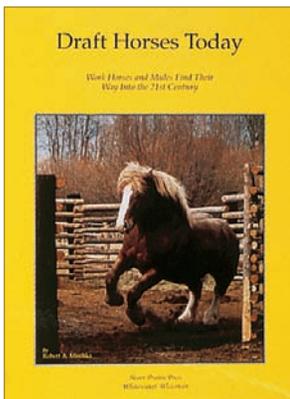
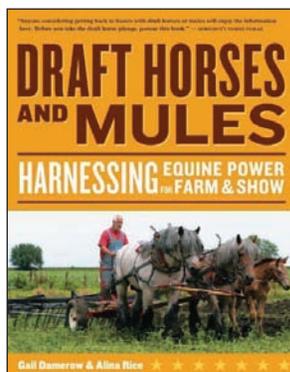
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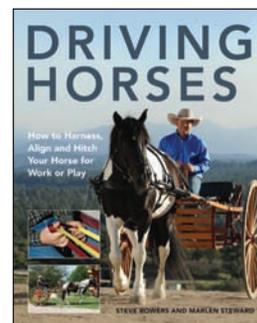
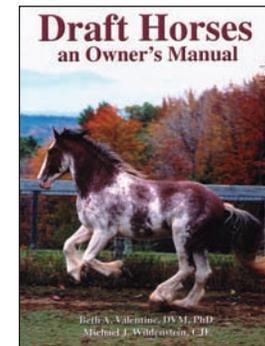
ART OF WORKING HORSES. *by Lynn Miller.* Miller tells the inside story of how people today find success working horses and mules in harness, whether it be on farm fields, in the woods, or on the road. Over 500 photos and illustrations accompany an anecdote-rich text which makes a case for the future of true horsepower. 368 pages. 8.5 x 11 inches. Softcover
Item #1629. \$45.00

DRAFT HORSES AND MULES. *by Gail Damerow and Alina Rice.* This book distills the great tradition of these impressive animals into a definitive guide. Designed for new or intermediate owners, the book shows readers how to choose an ideal team, feed and house them, maintain their health, ensure effective equine-human communication, select and use equipment properly, and employ the animals in a variety of agricultural, logging, and demonstration tasks. The book is enhanced with color photos, numerous illustrations, and profiles of real-life individuals who work with draft horses and mules. 272 pages. 8.25 x 10.75 inches. Softcover.
Item #933. \$24.95



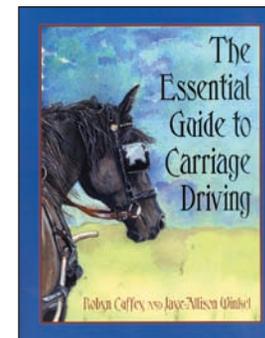
DRAFT HORSES TODAY. *by Robert A. Mischka.* 2nd edition. A comprehensive introduction to work horses and mules in America: their uses for farming, ranching, logging, people moving, promotion, and recreation. Chapters on draft horse and equipment auctions, horse-drawn vehicles and equipment, and learning opportunities. 290 of Mischka's renowned color photos. 176 pages. 9 x 11 inches. Hardcover.
Item #032. \$29.50

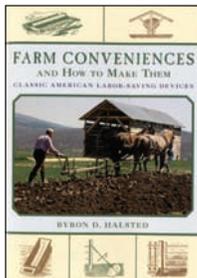
DRAFT HORSES AN OWNER'S MANUAL. *by Beth A. Valentine, DVM, PhD & Michael Wildenstein, CJF.* Veterinarian Beth Valentine and Farrier Mike Wildenstein have put together a comprehensive, must-have manual for draft horse owners. It covers the unique aspects of caring for work horses and draft ponies, divided into three sections: Basics, Health, and When Things Go Wrong. Many illustrations, black-and-white photos. 236 pages. 8.5 x 11 inches. Softcover. **Item #177. \$32.00**



DRIVING HORSES. How to harness, Align, and Hitch Your Horse for Work or Play. *by Steve Bowers & Marlen Steward.* This is the classic reference guide for people who drive horses, whether on the farm, in competition, or as a business. Driving Horses explains what you need to know to work with your horses safely and efficiently, so you and the horses get the most out of each day. Driving horses like a pro is all about the details, and this guidebook is built on details. With more than 250 color photos and diagrams alongside clear, step-by-step instructions, it covers all the bases from different types of harnesses and collars to how to get a harness on and off your horse to how to select a work horse. Learn how to hitch a horse to an implement, how to maintain correct lateral and longitudinal alignment, how to grip the reins, and much more. 160 pages, 8.25 x 10.625 inches. Softcover.
Item #1527. \$26.99

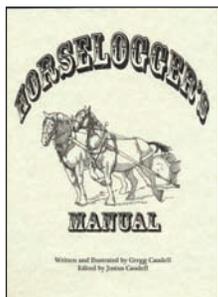
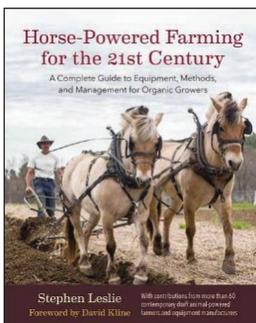
THE ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO CARRIAGE DRIVING. *by Robyn Cuffey.* This introduction to carriage driving covers all aspects from recreation and parades to competition. From driving singles to multiple hitches. It covers selecting and fitting the bit and breast- or neck-collar harness, selecting an appropriate cart, carriage or sleigh, safe driving techniques, and challenging skill-building exercises. Well illustrated with line drawings and photos. 148 pages. 8.5 x 10.5 inches. Paperback.
Item #226. \$24.95





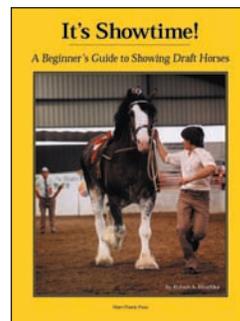
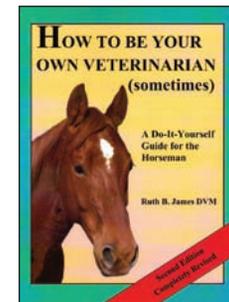
NEW FARM CONVENIENCES AND HOW TO MAKE THEM. Classic American Labor-Saving Devices. By Byron Halsted. Originally published in 1884, this handy little book is a compilation of valuable hints and suggestions for constructing and easily maintaining a wide variety of helpful devices such as: tool boxes for wagons, ventilators for fodder stocks, wagon jacks, field rollers, rat guards, flood fences and more. Advice on such topics as spreading manure, preventable losses and the farm and hitching a crib-biter. Turn to any page and find useful information. More than 200 illustrations and engravings. 256 pages. 5 x 7 inches. Softcover. **Item #1727. \$12.95**

HORSE-POWERED FARMING FOR THE 21st CENTURY. by Stephen Leslie. Horse-Powered Farming for the 21st Century is focused entirely on the tools and methods required to successfully manage the horse-powered market garden with draft animal power. However, this is not a step-by-step how-to guide outlining one single system, but rather a manual that presents a range of options and approaches. Leslie examines the function and use of all the implements typically employed on a contemporary draft-animal-powered market garden and illustrates these points with insightful reports from the field, farm profiles, and home-built solutions contributed by over sixty draft animal-powered farmers from across North America and Europe. 250 pages. 8 x 10 inches. Hardcover. **Item #1578. \$45.00**



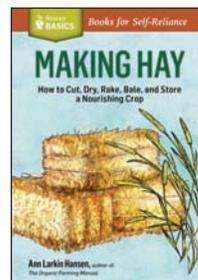
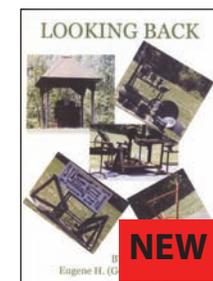
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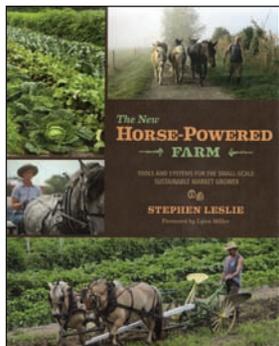


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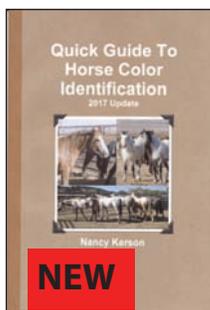
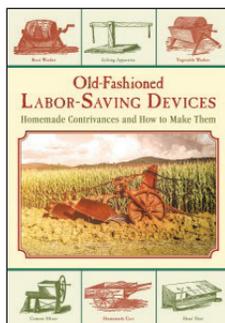


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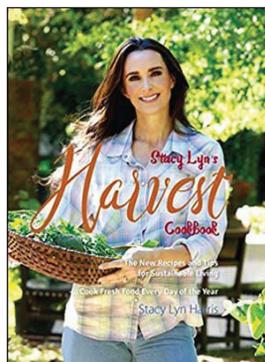
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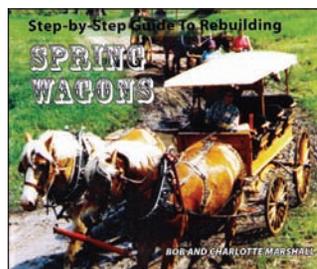


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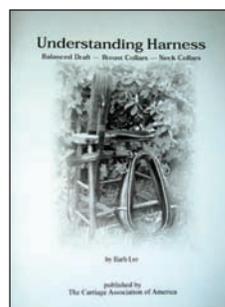
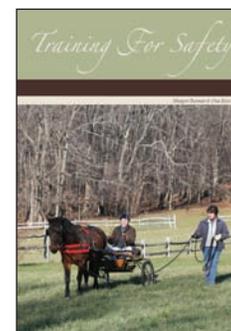


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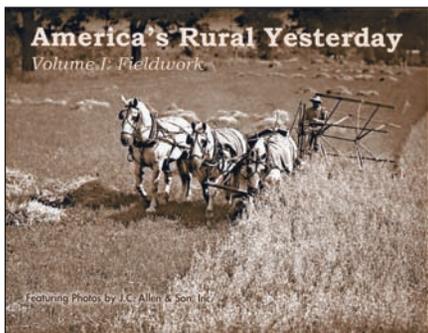
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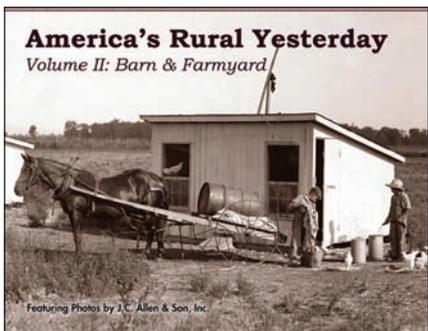


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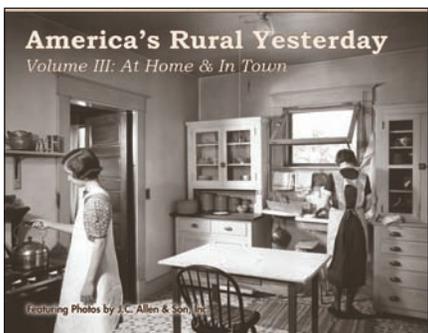
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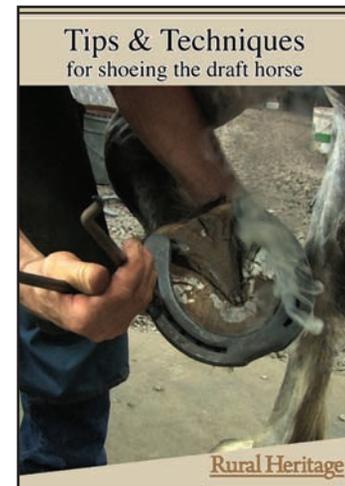


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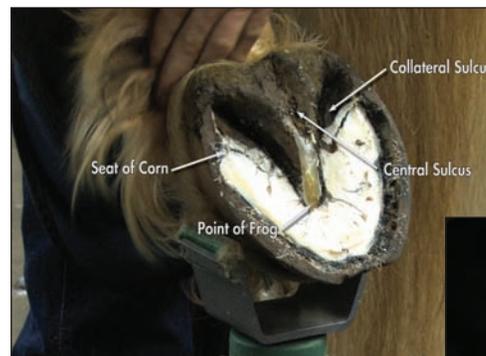
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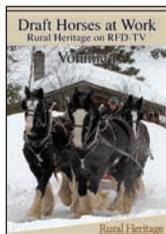


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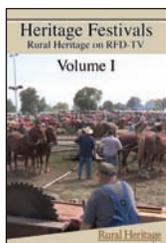
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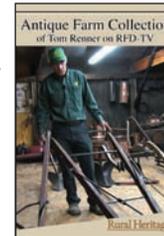
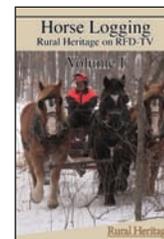
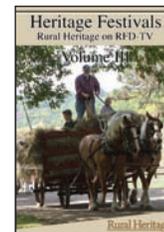
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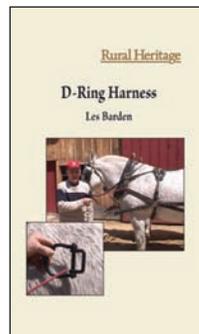
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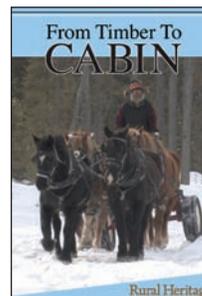
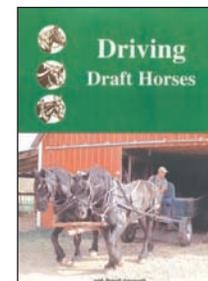
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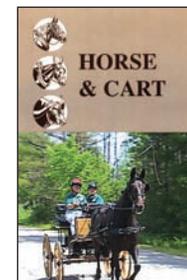


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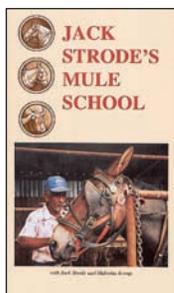
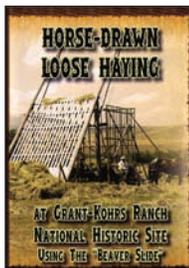
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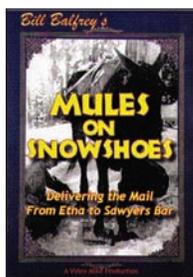
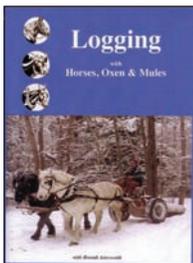


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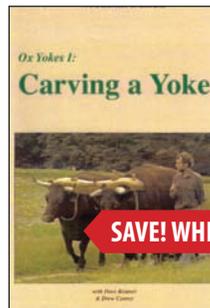


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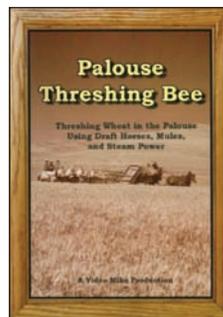
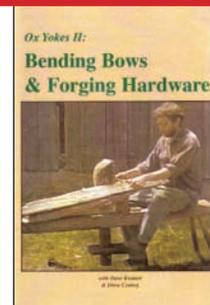
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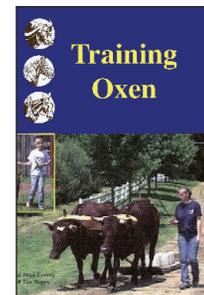
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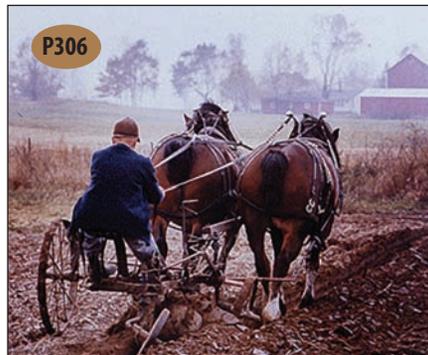
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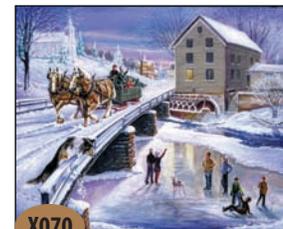
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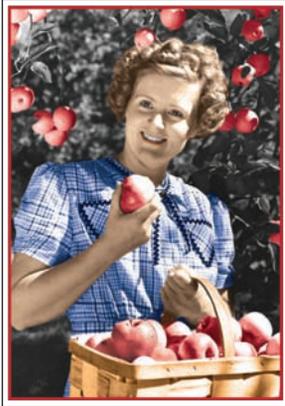
Caption for these cards:

"Wishing you a Joyous Holiday Season with Peace and
Happiness throughout the New Year."



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C433/"All Occasions"

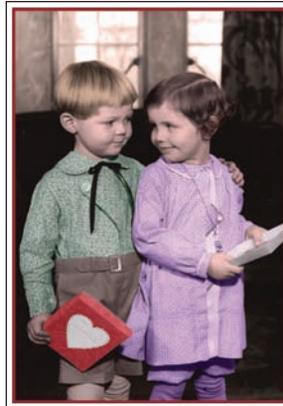
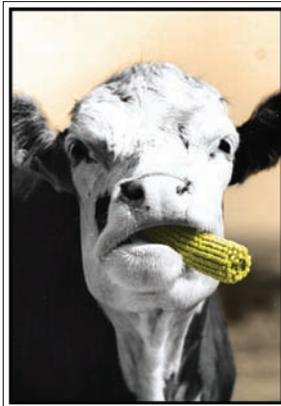


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C434/"Kids On the Farm"



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