

CASE STUDY

RIDER IN RESIDENCE: ZOE TAYLOR-JONES

Zoe joined us for 9 days training as a rider in residence in July 2017. Following her positive experience Zoe has now decided to keep Berty with Lucinda for further schooling and will return on the weekends to continue her training.

What was your reason for choosing to train with Lucinda?

As a rider and perfectionist, it was always on my 'to do list'. Lucinda is for my generation the athlete and coach you would dream to have. She has been there and done it all. It is now a dream coming true

Did you have any specific riding issues that needed to be addressed?

I took on the challenge of buying a youngster so I feel I am starting from scratch. I wanted to give our partnership the best start possible, putting some solid foundations into place to enable us to ride better and compete - it's a good investment..

What solutions were provided to you to deal with these issues and did they help?

A lot of pole work and jumps, focusing on driving him more and working on adjusting his canter and trot. Also advice on feed and changing Berty onto Pure Feed condition - a fibre based feed offering safe energy sources to improve all round condition, this has also made a big difference.

What improvements and benefits have you seen in your riding since training with Lucinda?

He's got a lot rounder and lower, more rideable in general and he is starting to relax and has become easier to jump. We are getting nicer and more range in his strides.

How did you fit in with the team at Rosegarth?

I thought the team were lovely and professional, always on the go and ready to help.

What was the best thing about your time at Rosegarth?

It gave me time to refocus and bond with my horse, riding properly and connecting with him in the right environment, as well as being able to watch and learn from others and gain lots of tips in between my lessons. Berty settled in really well and it was good for him to be around other focused horses, he was switched on by it.

What are your future riding plans?

I want to start eventing in 2018 and progress up to BE100 between 2018 – 19 as a first step.



"I would definitely recommend the rider in residence scheme with Lucinda, not just for eventers but for people doing dressage and show jumping and for all ages and levels. It gives you a real push in your riding abilities".

