

Tips and Tricks for June 2014

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For the first time, we took our horses on a 1600-mile road trip. We traveled with another couple, experience with long road trips with their horses, and it was on this trip that we learn this tip/trick.

“The most crucial issue with traveling with horses is that they drink,” to quote LFR member Denise Gerken, another very experienced traveler with

her horses. Between talking to Denise and traveling with our friends, Rayen and Brian, we learned a lot and had a very successful trip. We traveled home by ourselves, 800 miles, without any issues.

The Tip is Horse Quencher. All I can say is it worked for my horse, Dynamite, who turned up her nose at water after being in the trailer six hours going through the valley on 5 north at 92-95 degrees. Rayen put in $\frac{3}{4}$ cup of Horse Quencher in a bucket of water, and Dynamite sucked it down. Danny finished off 1.5 buckets of water with Horse Quencher. Again, coming home Dynamite refused to drink. I threw Horse Quencher into the bucket and she drank.

Will it work for all horses? I have already heard of one horse it didn't work on. But it worked for the four horses traveling with us. So in my view, it is worth a try to at least have a couple of single serving packets on hand. It can be used with electrolytes. So if your horse is picky about how the water tastes, then try camouflaging the water with Horse Quencher.

Horse Quencher comes in three sizes: single serving packets, a 25-serving pouch (3.5 pounds), and a 144-serving bucket (20 pounds).

It has four flavors: Apple, Peppermint, Butterscotch, and Root Beer. We used the Apple favor, and the horses loved it, so we are staying with that flavor.

Ingredients are: SuperFlakeA® barley, salt, steamA crimped oats, cane molasses, SuperFlakeA® corn, A beet pulp, vegetable oil, propionic acid, flavorings.

You can find Horse Quencher at www.valleyvet.com, www.horsequencher.com, and Amazon at a slightly less cost. Note: Amazon ships the HQ bucket free for Prime members & the site for Horse Quencher did offer a discount coupon for the product.

