

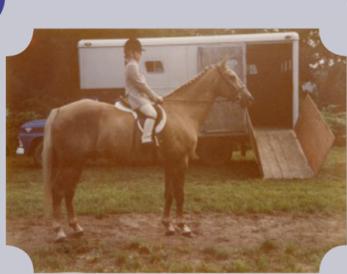


BRENNAN'S BIT & BRIDLE

PARTNER PROFILE



Natalie Mattson



until the age of 30. I have had other horses come in and out of my life, but he was something special.

I came from a family who never so much as touched a horse, yet somehow it was in my blood. I had a born passion for them. After years of daydreaming I got Sandpiper, a palomino quarterhorse, I shared with my older sister. He became my mentor and best friend, and lived at our family barn

GROWING UP WITH BRENNAN'S BIT & BRIDLE



As a little girl I would grocery shop with my mom in Bridgehampton and as a treat she would take me into Brennan's to browse the store. That was a special memory I'll always hang onto. I can still remember looking at the walls covered in pictures of local children riding and showing.

Out of high school I worked as a groom at the Topping Riding Club owned by Anne and Emily Aspinall. They had bought Brennan's Bit and Bridle from Mrs. Brennan in the late 80's, and although I loved working for them at the farm when they offered me a job at the shop 2 years later I jumped at the opportunity. In addition to my love of horses is my love for fashion and I saw Brennan's as a place where I could have both. I love the specialty of the trade; the buying and selling, all the great customers we have. Most of whom I've watched grow up. So when the store came up for sale it was only natural for me to buy it. I've spent the last 17 years there, it's my secondhome.



SIGNATURE LEATHER & BRENNAN'S BIT & BRIDLE



Our shop is 37 years old and it is a small boutique type tack shop where we try to only carry high end quality products. We first saw Signature Leather at Rolex, the colors, the styles, the pittards leather, the customization. We knew our customers would love to have something special and that's what Signature Leather gloves are. They can customize the glove to their liking or get one of our stock gloves. We only carry lines we can stand behind. Signature Leather gloves have stamina as well as style. A Perfect Fit!

I ride for the love of the horse. I have just discovered natural horsemanship where it's truly about having a special connection

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with the horse. I find it fascinating and am eager to learn more everyday. Being a new mom makes finding the time to fit everything in harder these days, but I am learning to find the balance. Horses are something I need to have in my life to be complete.

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THE HAMPTON CLASSIC



Opening Day at the Hampton Classic. It is a world class weeklong horse show, and something most of our

customers work towards all summer. It's walking distance from the shop and so exciting to see the grounds being prepared. We watch as the huge tents go up and the trailers bring the horses in by the hundreds. I personally love outfitting the young lead riders and then watching them go into the beautiful Grand Prix ring. We always give the goody bags for them and it's just so cute.

