

How can words describe perfection?

Sidney is a nine year old, Quarter Horse molly mule. Standing about 14 hh and only 850 lbs, she's not a big girl, but she has heart, determination, and an exceptional personality. For over 1300 miles, she has never been pulled from a ride for lameness. How many horses can say that?

In August of 2000, the night before the Prairie River ride, we thought we might lose her to colic. Three vets believed she would not survive the night. But Sid is tough, and not only did she survive, she returned the following season and completed her best year ever. In 2001, at the same ride where she colicked a year earlier, she took Best Condition on the 30 mile Limited Distance ride. This year she earned Grand Champion Limited Distance in DRAW and Reserve Grand Champion Limited Distance in UMECRA. Not bad for a little mule who has only finished 1st twice in her career...

Sidney has never refused an obstacle on the trail – from swimming through rain-swelled rivers in southeast Minnesota to plodding through kneehigh sand in Michigan. She is truly one of a kind and I look forward to riding many more miles with her.

Submitted by her rider, Chris Kocourek

