

## Caramela de Raza

December 10, 2004 to February 20, 2014

Sire: MM Machito (#8072), Dam: Raza de Caramelo (#4234)

It is with great difficulty that I had to make the decision to put Caramela de Raza down on February 20, 2014. She was rescued when 13 months old (born December 10, 2004) for 90 bales of hay from an abusive situation and came from the Caramelo line. She opened up a whole new world to love the Peruvian Horse. She was full of brio. People saw her in later life as crippled. I saw her as my teacher with a fighting spirit and beauty that typifies the Peruvian Horse.



This is why rescue is so important in our society. The individual has the right to live and be cared for with respect. Not only did she teach me to train a horse on the ground (and she was a wild woman), but she taught me strength, courage, trust, and the will to survive a terrible beginning.

I sat in my truck for 2 days to document the treatment of a Peruvian Horse herd that was being starved and promised them I would make a difference in their lives. Yes, they were all rescued, but Caramela is the one who made the difference in my life.

Caramela was professionally trained by Roberto Quijandria in New Mexico. She was a very special little horse. She came to me with fear (never having been touched by human hands), worms, and rickets (causing severe lameness in later life) but leaves with all of my love. Like my LEA Apolo, she will be forever with me. Go sweet girl!

