Introduction to Horse Logging



At a glance...

Training (Only)

Delivery Method: Classroom and practical

Recognised by: Lantra Awards

Prerequisites: No experience is needed but the course is hands on and

spent outdoors.

Introduction

This five-day course is designed to give you the basics and more to give you an insight in what it takes to become a horse logger.

Overview in brief

This Lantra-accredited Customised Award is exclusively developed and delivered by a Lantra-approved Training Provider, who meets our quality standards. The course is specifically tailored to meet learners' needs. For further details about the course content and delivery locations, please contact the Training Provider using the details provided below.

The minimum age to undertake this course is 16.

This is a five-day course designed to give you the basics and more to give you an insight in what it takes to become a horse logger. It is run by tutors that are on the BHL Approved contractors list, so they have plenty of experience to pass on. Over the week you will gain confidence and hopefully at the end be able to go away and volunteer with other loggers near you to become proficient and maybe take it further.

No experience is needed but the course is hands on and spent outdoors. It is limited to 4 participants with two instructors and two horses, so you have plenty of time to handle the reins. The start of the week is spent in an arena or track, then moves to the woods to add more obstacles. At the end of the week, you should be able to work on your own with a little supervision in a real forest setting.

Further help and work placements may be available after the course.



The finer details

The course content includes:

- Health and safety
- Harnessing and care of horses
- Why we use horses in logging
- Types of horses suitable for logging
- Methods of extracting timber, swingle tree/arch /mini forwarder
- Working site /visit and work
- Skills test /competition last day
- Plenty of time for Q&A

Who should attend?

This course is designed for people who want to understand what it means to be a horse logger. No prior experience is needed.

It is suitable for people already working in forestry or arb and would like to add horses to their business, people who have horse and want to use them in their own woods or anyone interested in having a go.

What will be covered?

- Health and safety
- Harnessing and care of horses
- Why we use horses in logging
- Types of horses suitable for logging
- Methods of extracting timber, swingle tree/arch /mini forwarder
- Working site /visit and work
- Skills test /competition last day
- Felling demo and some forestry insights

