

My Reading List

The Art of Horsemanship
by Xenophon
Trans. Morris H. Morgan

*With charming and still fresh
advice from 400 B.C.*

Le Menage Royale
by Antoine de Pluvinel
Trans. Hilda Nelson

*The Master and his King
at work in the Renaissance.*

My Horses, My Teachers
by Alois Podhajsky

*Inspiring and touching biography
of the Spanish Riding School's great modern mentor.*

The Complete Training of Horse and Rider
by Alois Podhajsky

"The Bible"

The Art of Dressage
by Alois Podhajsky

*His candid commentary on Olympic
grief and glory.*

Horsemanship
by Waldemar Seunig

For perfectionists and lovers of detail.

Piaffer and Passage
by General DeCarpentry



Trans. Patricia Galvin

De rigeur text on the progressive training of “ the big two ”.

The Development of Modern Riding
by Vladimir S. Littauer

Fascinating, comprehensive and insightful historical log.

A Dressage Judge’s Handbook
by Brig. Gen. Kurt Albrecht

Not just for judges.

Misconceptions and Simple Truths
in Dressage
by Dr HLM Van Schaik

Thought-provoking and challenging.

FEI Dressage Handbook
Guidelines for Judging

Spells it all out to the nth degree.

Advanced Techniques of Riding
German National Equestrian Federation

Straight up and simple to get with diagrams.

Ahlerich: The Making of a Dressage World Champion
by Dr Reiner Klimke

One of the great modern masters who found his onc- in-a-lifetime horse.

Dressur im Bild / Dressage in Pictures
by Harry Boldt

Great photos of greathorse and rider pairs done before the camcorder age.

The deNémethy Years
by Paula Rodenas

The great granddaddy of American showjumping, and a master from the Ludovica.

Horses are Made to be Horses
by Franz Mairinger

Notes his students took from the coach of the Aussie thrice over Gold Medal winning eventing team.

Give Your Horse a Chance
by A L d'Endrödy

Another great horseman from the Ludovica and great coach of the Brits. Graphs and charts galore illustrate, for example, half-halts. Really brainy!