

Bertie

From Redwings Oxhill



My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Bertie.

Bertie is my favourite pony at Oxhill. He's a shy boy but once you get to know him he really comes out of his shell.

He arrived at the Oxhill Centre last summer and over that time we've built up a great friendship. As you can see by his wild mane we spend most of our time brushing it!

Recently he's been reunited with his old friend Conker. They're inseparable now and it's so lovely to see best friends back together.

Love Daisy x

Captain Jack

From Redwings Oxhill

**Our chosen equine for Valentine's Day is
Captain Jack.**

We love Captain Jack as, like his name sake, he is a lovable rogue. He is cheeky and mischievous and full of energy but he is also sweet and really loves his training and spending time with humans. He is very quick to learn new things.

We love Captain Jack!

Love Tracey & Izzy x



Comet

From Redwings Oxhill

My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Comet.

Comet is a strawberry roan and about 18 years old. Comet's best friend is Smurf, who can be seen eating hay from the hayring in the background of the picture.

In May 2018 I did four weeks of work experience at Redwings during which time Comet became my favourite pony. Since continuing to work here, Comet has become one of the equines I take care of and he is my favourite pony because of his beautiful colour, cheeky personality and undeniable cuteness!

Love Georgia x



Curtis

From Redwings Oxhill



My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Curtis.

I love Curtis at our Oxhill site!

He is a six year old piebald (black and white) gelding and has taught me a lot about how Redwings trains horses. He is the first horse that I trained in basic responses and has now moved up to our rehoming centre.

Although I don't care for him on a daily basis, I get to see Jade (rehoming team member) training him and see how he is progressing. He can now walk, trot and canter on the lunge and hopefully will be rehomed as a ridden pony in the future.

Love Wendy x

Muesli

From Redwings Oxhill



My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Muesli.

Back when Roxane (welfare vet) worked with us we had to do a lot of training with him because he was needle shy. You can't just spring something on him vet wise, it always took time to prepare. I've practised lots of Redwings' ethical training techniques on him, so learning a lot from his reactions, which is helping.

He was one of the first to go and keep going to Your Horse Live and he was so relaxed and loved the public attention. He is striking and he knows it!

He is the bestest friend another horse could have! He looks out for Marmite and protects him, maybe knowing that Marmite has his disadvantages only having the one eye!

Love Helen x

Otis

From Redwings Oxhill

My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Otis.

This is Otis (or Mr Oti Man as I like to call him!).
He's the right in the picture.

Since him and his friend Star arrived at Oxhill just under two years ago I loved this little pony straight away!

He loves a good cuddle and walks round the farm mostly hanging out with his best friend Wiley (pictured on the left). They love to play in their pen and go for walks around the farm together to progress their training.

Love Katie x



Raven

From Redwings Oxhill



My chosen equine for Valentine's Day is Raven.

I have loved Raven since I first started working for Redwings four years ago. Originally he wasn't in my group of equines to work with but when his carer left I begged for him to be put in my group and luckily for me he was!

He is so cheeky and playful and will do anything for a pony nut including giving kisses!

Last year we appeared on BBC Midlands Today with Raven clapping for his carers. I do not get to see him as much now as I have now got a role as a rider in the rehoming team, however whenever I do we still get up to mischief together!

Love Jade x

Turner & Toast

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**My chosen equines for Valentine's Day are
Turner and toast.**

I love these two ponies because they have such a strong bond. Turner was rescued with his mum Tina who had to be taken to Hapton (Redwings' headquarters), one of our more well equipped sites because of her condition. The decision was made that Toast would come out of the 'Breakfast Club' group with which he was rescued and put in with Turner. They haven't left each other's side since. They eat together, sun bathe together, run and play together and they always call out to one another when one goes for a walk.

I think Toast has become a big brother to Turner as he looks after him and stands his ground to protect him against other horses trying to pick on him.

Love Lucy x

