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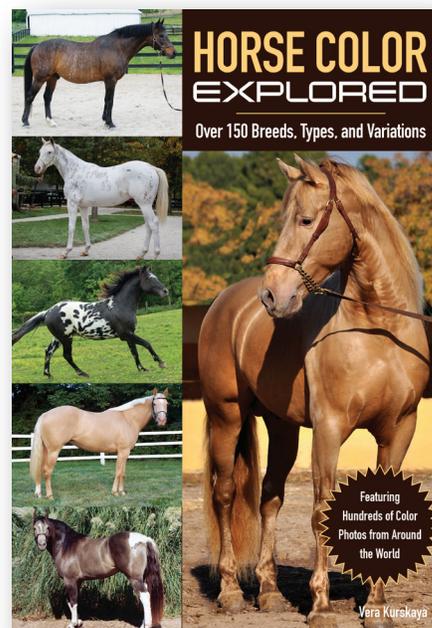
Everyone stops and stares at a horse with beautiful or unusual color. So striking are the variations of bay, gray, chestnut, black, solid, and spotted that many people breed for specific combinations. This has led to a marked increase in international interest in the study of horse color genetics—as well as a need for an easy-to-use reference suitable for the horse-loving layperson who also wants to understand the science behind it all.

In this book, horsewoman and genetics specialist Vera Kurskaya provides a guide that aims to not only outline basic information about horse color appropriate for a general audience, but also explore the specifics of inheritance and recent color genetics research certain to inform serious aficionados worldwide. With over 200 color photographs in handy reference sections throughout, as well as an in-depth look at special hair features, the evolution of horse color, and the effect of color on performance, fertility, and character, *Horse Color Explored* is a fascinating and valuable resource for the modern horseperson.

VERA KURSKAYA discovered horses as a teenager, but at the age of 20, an injury forced her to give up riding. Horses have never left Kurskaya's life, however. She worked as a freelance journalist for the popular Russian equestrian magazines *Konnyi Mir* ("The Horse World"), "My Horse," and "Alpha Kentavra," eventually serving as editor at *Konnyi Mir* in 2010. Horse color was always one of Kurskaya's greatest interests, beginning as a hobby and evolving into professional study of horse color genetics. Today Kurskaya is finishing her doctoral thesis in biology concerning horse colors, researching the Silver gene, and working on her second book.

"I started reading everything I could find about genetics, and was drawn deeper and deeper into the world of horse color—and now I know for sure it is an entire world!"

—VERA KURSKAYA



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