

Supplementary Table S1. Description of horses involved in the current study (n=19)

Riding Center	Horse name [Horse/Pony]	Sex	Horse Age (years)	Horse's Experience in EAA (years)
Center 1	Winter [Pony]	M	8	2
	Pasqualino [Pony]	M	16	7
	Giove [Horse]	M	18	3
	Lady [Horse]	F	11	4
Center 2	GioveGR [Horse]	M	12	4
	Jast [Horse]	M	11	2
	Petisso [Pony]	M	13	4
	Beauty [Horse]	M	10	4
Center 3	Babà [Horse]	F	16	5
	Spillo [Pony]	M	26	5
	Pinta [Pony]	F	18	4
	Gaia [Horse]	F	13	3
	Sirio [Horse]	M	18	5
	Iago [Horse]	M	23	5
Center 4	Miele [Pony]	F	19	4
	Turi [Horse]	M	25	4
	Bonbon [Pony]	M	25	14
	Etruria [Horse]	F	24	6
	Flamenco[Pony]	M	22	4

Abbreviations. EAA, Equine Assisted Activities.