

If My Appaloosa Were a Movie Star...

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I've never considered my Appaloosa mare, Dial Alice, a movie star until now; even though she is kind of famous at our Appaloosa shows, in North Dakota. Everyone seems to know her. I think Alice would be a brilliant movie star. I can't think of an actress that compares to Alice's personality and physical traits, but I think Alice deserves to be treated like a movie star. She has many of good qualities that would make her stand out as a movie star.

The first two qualities that would make Alice a good movie star is how pretty she is and her sweet personality. Alice is a beautiful bay roan with spots over her hips. She has a very pretty face with a soft, kind eye. When people see her at shows they always comment on how pretty Alice is, but Alice doesn't let it go to her head. Thankfully, she's a horse and doesn't understand, but we enjoy the compliments! Her calm and gentle demeanor goes hand in hand with her beautiful looks. Many times, at shows, people ask if they can pet Alice. They will often sneak a treat to her as well. Alice doesn't mind, and is always willing to enjoy some extra attention.

Another quality Alice has that would be admired if she were a movie star is that she is a hard worker. Alice is a horse that people could easily ride and she is pleasant to handle. Whether Alice and I are at home practicing, or in the show ring, she always does her very best for me. She even works hard in the classes she doesn't really like. Alice does well at any job I ask of her, so she would be able to perform any movie script given to her.

If Alice were a movie star, she wouldn't be snotty like some lead roles are. She is turning 21 this year, so her wisdom would help her appreciate being spoiled. Alice is such a great horse for me; I know she would enjoy all of the pampering. She would have only the best: a special stall, the best turn-out pen, and the fanciest tack. She could ease into a relaxing retirement job.

Dial Alice as a movie star? I don't think I could picture her as being a World Famous actress, but she could pull it off. I prefer having her at home, in my backyard, where I can love on her every day.