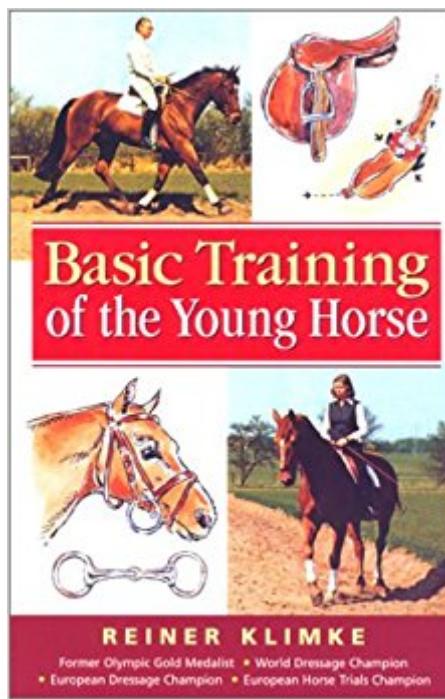


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# Basic Training Of The Young Horse



## **Synopsis**

The philosophy and techniques of the revered Olympic dressage champion.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Klimke clearly and logically lays out the foundations of basic training. The information is easy to read, concise and shows a deep understanding and respect of the horse. There is much more packed between the covers than I expected. An excellent, excellent read for anyone who works with horses.

This compact, informative and economical guide to starting young horses provides an excellent overview of training the young horse, from early ground work to starting over fences. Although the book is dated, the German scale of basic training principles is timeless and very much en vogue in the dressage community today. Based on sound principles and written by an accomplished horseman, this is one to read. UPDATE - A year since my original review this has been the book I refer back to most of all, I think because of the handy size. Therefore, this book is well worth the money!!!

This book, written by the late olympic dressage champion Reiner Klimke, is surely a standard reference. The English translation by Sigrid Young might be a little bit awkward at times (very noticeable for a German native who owns the original, too), but the spirit and straightforwardness of

Klimke's approach for the basic training of a dressage horse still comes across.

This book is chalked with step-by-step Klimke methods. Book starts with basic education from handling, foal-life transitions, and how to start with leading by hand while keeping every contact a positive experience! Book chapters follow the progression of training from lungeing/free schooling, saddle starting, then teaching the aids, etc. This book does incorporate the Scales of Training, with what each scale means and looks like, with how it relates to age and training of the horse complete with exercises to assist each level. Almost every page has a photo! Book can be a refresher for the experienced rider, but great for lower levels! I do recommend this book!!

While it is no substitute for working with good trainers, it is a great supplement. It clearly and logically lays out the foundation for a solid training foundation. There is a lot of great information and lovely pictures a making for a nice read.

While I find this book somewhat lacking in detail, it provides an excellent basic introduction to techniques for and concepts behind training a young horse for dressage. Klimke's approach is kind and compassionate as well as effective and logical.

This book does a great job of explaining and outlining the early training of the dressage horse, from ground training to work under saddle. I have used it as a reference for several articles I have written on dressage theory.

This book gives the tools to enable an already knowledgeable equestrian to further strengthen their young horse schooling program. It should be required reading for any person who is investing the time and effort in training a youngster. Klimke offers solid, classic and well explained advice for creating the foundation every horse deserves in order for it to maximize its athleticism and attitude in whatever vocation is chosen for it.

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