



days at  
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**Ranch  
Talk**



## Erskine's Future

Last week, horse trainer Montana Jane Getz returned to Dunrovin with our own big blue roan Erskine, whom she has in training at her facility near Hamilton, MT. She worked with Ranch Manager Kelli on “groundwork,” or how to work with the horse without being in the saddle.

Tana got aboard Erskine and demonstrated some skills she wanted to pass on. Next, Ranch Manager Kelli climbed up. It was fun to watch Kelli fine-tune her riding skills, as well as to get to know Erskine again. She has ridden him before and his problem areas were quite clear to her. He was much improved after his few weeks with Tana, and Kelli relived a bit of her childhood in attempting to ride perfect figure-8s.





# Erskine Hits The Trail

This week, Tana, aboard Erskine, and Kelli, aboard her horse, Crow, will embark on Dunrovin's River Ride. They will ride directly off the ranch, onto the State Land next door, down the slough and onto the rock beach, then backtrack and cross the Bitterroot River. The purpose is to expand Erskine's comfort zone and to see how he reacts while away from the ranch. Although Erskine has crossed the river once before, he has his trainer in the saddle this time and we will get great feedback on his performance. Tana and Kelli may even switch horses mid-ride.



Trail Guide Rosemarie will already be out on the trail, leading a large group of guests, and who knows, they may pass each other in the meadow on the other side.

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