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Bud was found at a horse auction. When it came his turn to be ran through, I remembered him because each time I walked by where he had been tied in a pen, he would reach his nose out to get my attention. The “meat buyers” immediately began bidding on him, but Hope Reins was able to step in and purchase him. He has called Hope Reins home since 2006 – since the age of 10.

Whether being ridden, loved on or used in our Equine Assisted Growth and Learning activities, Bud is always a favorite! He takes amazing care of the very young riders and always surprises with his gentleness with the little ones. When it comes to teenagers; however, he loves to test their will power. His favorite activities with our participants continues to be ground games/EAL and playing “dress up”. That’s right . . . he loves to wear costumes, be painted and has even been known to “strike a pose”, hogging the camera from the kids. Due to an injury while chasing another horse in a pine thicket, Bud is now blind in one eye, but don’t let that fool you. He can walk between pipes just 1.5 feet apart while being independently ridden by a 5 year old! Yep! Bud is just that good!!