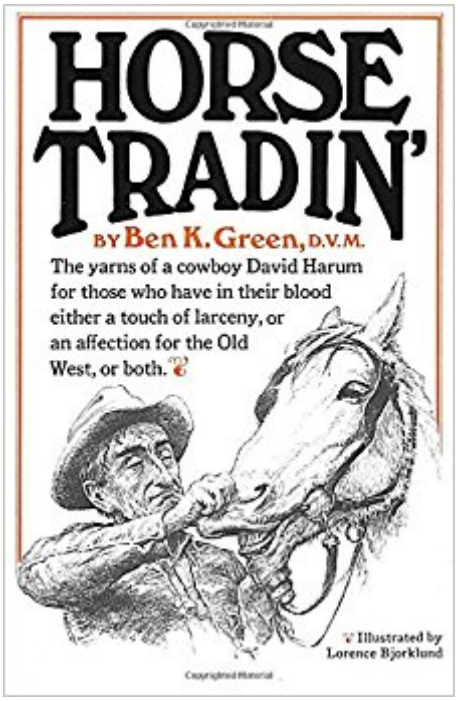
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## Synopsis

Each of these twenty authentic tales, hilariously funny and prickly as chaparral brush, is a true account the corrals, livery stables, and wagonyards of the cattlemenÃ¢â ¬â„¢s West. They are as dusty as a cow path, and they are filled with the drawls and humor of the old horse traders themselves.

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Here are the yarns of a true cowboy for those who have in their blood either a touch of larceny, an affection for the Old West, or better yet, both.These twenty tales add up to a true account of Ben K. Green’s experiences around the corrals, livery stables, and wagon yards of the West. Green was a veterinarian who took down his shingle and went into horse trading, in what he imagined would be retirement. No stranger to the saddle, Green claims to have "with these bloodshot eyes and gnarled hands measured over seventy thousand horses". His tales range from tricks to make an old horse seem young (at least until the poor creature died from the side effects of the scam) to a recipe for making a dapple-gray mule from a bucket of paint and a chicken’s egg. So you want to go into the horse business? You can learn the knavery, skill, salesmanship, and pure con man hokum of horse trading here, in a book every westerner or horse fancier should have on hand. --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

Ben K. Green, a native of Cumby, Texas, was the kind of a Westerner who almost crawled out of the cradle and into a saddle, spending his childhood, adolescence and young manhood on

horseback. He studied veterinary medicine in the United States and abroad and practiced in the Far Southwest in one of the last big horse counties in North America. When he eventually gave up his practice and research, he returned to Cumby where he lived, raising good horses and cattle until his death in 1974. His other books are Wild Cow Tales; The Village Horse Doctor, West of the Pecos; and Some More Horse TradinÃ¢â ¬â„¢.

Great Book as always by Ben K. Green! Can read his books again and again! Gave my copy away and wanted to replace it. Thought I was buying another hardback book, but this one will do! Just wanted another copy to keep on hand to reread as I wanted to anyway. I want to have all his books on hand just for posterity. I believe, never having met the man, that he must have written as he spoke. I have gifted his books many times. Always the gift was happily received and read . Wish I'd lived when he did and met him! Oh, well, will just have to keep reading and enjoying!

I bought this as a gift for my friend. I read all of Mr. Green's book in my youth and loved them all. Unless you've lived the life and horse traded, these books may not be interesting. His stories bring back memories and his depictions are very accurate. My friend has already finished the book & has loaned it to his eldest son to read. Real horse people love it! Very entertaining!

GREAT book, highly recommend

Good book! It was full of actual tales of trading horses and mules.

You have to have some awareness of the cowboy way to enjoy this. But I loved it

Bought this to replace the original copy I lost in a house fire. My dad gave me my first copy and introduced me to Ben Green. This book has been a favorite in my library ever since! I've been a horsewoman in a farm/ranch environment for most of my life and attest to the fact that Ben Green's stories ring true! The man has some amazing life stories to share revolving around his life with horses and cattle...and a few colorful folks, too!

all of ben greens books are great

I nearly always give my books away---which was what I did with Horse Tradin' over 40 years ago.

Now I wanted to give a copy to a grand niece and was not surprised that hard copies were nearly unavailable. I was pleased to see that someone had the good horse sense to publish this Green classic in paperback for contemporary readers. Even so I paid up for a used hardback and just finished rereading the book. It would have been worth twice the price. Probably only people that now live in rural areas can appreciate the freedom and casualness of life before World War II. You would never know from reading these stories that Ben Green was an educated professional man. He was a self effacing gentleman that may no longer exist. Other reviewers have covered the content of the book and there is no need for my repeating. Do yourself a favor and get and read this book. I only wish that someone would make a movie of 3 or 4 of these wonderful stories. When you read the book you will know what I mean.

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