

GYPSY



Registered Name: Gypsy-Doo

Foaled: 2006

**Breed:
Gypsy Vanner / Quarter Cross**

Sex: Mare

Color: Piebald

Height: 14.2 ... and growing

At NAC since: 2007

**Purchased By:
Kelsey and Alexa Fredston-
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Biography:

The name says it all for the National Ability Center's first yearling. Being a Gypsy Vanner/Quarter horse cross, Gypsy was the obvious and yet perfect name for the little filly. The Gypsy Vanner is a fairly new breed to the US; it only numbers to about 400 or so registered Vanners, and with its docile temperament and draft build the Gypsy will make a wonderful therapy horse. The Gypsy Vanner is a product of the Irish Travelers. The breed comes from crossing the Friesian, the Shire and the Dales Pony. The Vanners job was to pull the gypsy carts from location to location during the day and provide lessons for the children in the evening.

Gypsy is on track to become one of the NAC's first horses in the new groundwork program as well as the first horse to be brought into the program as a yearling. She just completed her training under saddle in the spring of 2009 and is working on becoming a wonderful therapy horse. We are confident that with her flashy personality and markings and mellow disposition, she will make her a favorite among staff and participants.