

*"It's like a family and all the horses are loved as individuals. We are taught not only how to do something but why we should do it, when riding and around the yard. The horses at Ardis are cared for in the absolute best way possible and they are allowed to be themselves. I learn something every time I come to Ardis and not just horse related things, life skills as well".*

*Abbey, 13yo student & lessee*

*"It's a place where dreams really do come true. A place not just about riding but about learning to become more than just a rider and learning to care, keep, protect and everything important about these wonderful animals we love. There's no place like Ardis".*

*Jess, 14yo student & lessee*

*"Ardis is unique/special because of the high level of tuition from Soo which focuses on the individual ability of both rider and horse. Lessons are designed so that both the rider and horse learn. Horses are not your typical riding school horses where they all 'follow the leader' in lessons. Horses are able to think for themselves which allows the rider to actively ride them rather than just sit on them."*

*Sharon, Mum of student*

*"Everyone is nice and people are always willing to talk / help out."*

*Cate, 14yo student & lessee*

*"You know that Ardis is unique from the moment you walk in the gate. The horses are happy and come to greet you like an old friend. This is so special because it is very rare. Walk into any equestrian centre and you will not find it there. The horses and people of Ardis are likened to an extended family. Special."*

*Jen, adult student*

*"Soo has made every effort to ensure that Ardis is a place which allows you to open your mind and learn, giving you the guidance and support to fulfill the dream of being the best horse person you can be in order to best serve these magnificent animals. The incredible environment at Ardis has made it a sanctuary for me and my horse and I thoroughly enjoy the company of others on the same journey."*

*Tash, agister, helper & student*

*"Ardis is like a second home. All the horses and ponies as well as the people are loved as individuals. No other equestrian centre has ever felt so welcoming."*

*Luci, teen helper & student*

*"Soo's experience, knowledge of her horses and her ability to instruct with detail is quite an unbeatable combination. This means her lessons are taught with the intention of making you a knowledgeable and curious horseperson (not simply a rider). Her students and lessees reflect this and focus on what's in each horse's best interest, and the affinity she has with each of her horses is reflected in their calm polite manners and willingness to share their personalities with you."*

*Nari, adult student*

*"When I first visited Ardis and met Soo at the gate, only one thought came to my mind: SAFE ! I knew that it would be the safest place to learn riding. Now I realise that there is more than safety at Ardis. There is a unique sense of harmony; a balanced mix of care, discipline and joy. At Ardis everyone, riders and horses, have a special place and is treated with respect no matter how good you are at riding. Ardis is a family where you feel cared and listened to. I wish I had met Soo and started riding years ago. Ardis is a really special place."*

*Francesca, adult student*