



TAPETA FARM

**HAVE YOUR HORSES TRAINED AT THE BEST
THOROUGHBRED TRAINING FACILITY IN THE USA.**



SAFETY STUDY SHOWS FEWER EQUINE FRACTURES AT TAPETA FARM

On June 4, 2014 the Equine Veterinary Journal published an independent, refereed paper "Analysis of Stress Fractures Associated with Lameness in Thoroughbred Flat Racehorse Training on Different Track Surfaces". Over a 10 year period involving 1075 thoroughbred racehorses.

- Group A: 27% Fractures
 - Group B: 14% Fractures
 - Tapeta Farm: 2% Fractures
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LOCATION

Located on 250 acres at the top of the Chesapeake Bay, Tapeta Farm is a training center like no other in the USA. It was designed by renowned trainer Michael Dickinson combining the latest, most innovative technology in equine care with fundamental "good sense" horse husbandry. Tapeta Farm is located mid-way between New York City and Washington, D.C. and is within easy vanning distance to 11 major race tracks.



TRAINER

The training of racehorses has changed very little over the last 50 years. Training at a racetrack in the USA is limited by the lack of space, grazing, time, freedom and privacy as well as loads of restrictions. This leaves trainers with very few options.

In 2007 Michael Dickinson retired from training (at the request of his wife Joan Wakefield) to focus on the expansion of Tapeta Footings overseas (now in 10 countries). At that time Michael had no intention of training thoroughbreds again, but over the next 4 years he found time to look at different training methods picked up from other industries. He then spent 3 years conducting trials on those methods where he also discovered most of them do not work, but he found that some were most effective.



“We are not eliminating the many good methods used by trainers today we are just adding a lot of new ideas. It will be an aggregate of marginal gains. All these facilities at Tapeta Farm gives us a lot of levers to pull.”

TAPETA FARM AMENITIES:



CUSTOM DESIGNED STABLES

The centerpiece of the facility's impressive layout is the 40-stall barn built by skilled Pennsylvania Dutch Amish Craftsmen. Each horse has its own outside window providing a view and plenty of fresh air and over each window is a 3-foot overhang to protect them from rainfall. Half of the stalls feature friendship grills so the horses can see each other, as they tend to relax better within sight of another horse.

COMPLETE LIST OF AMENITIES

Tracks

- Tapeta10 track- 1 turn mile up a gradual incline.
- Tapeta10 track- 1 round
- Tapeta10 is our latest and most advanced product named for 10 improvements made to the original formula.
- 6 turf tracks, 2 for each season
- Irrigation on 3 turf tracks for 7 furlongs
- Hills for training
- 4 different exercise areas
- 27,000 ft of drainage pipe installed beneath our Noah's Ark turf track
- Enzymes added to the drought-weather turf track to combat firm going

Performance Center Barn

- Auxiliary Energy System
- Bio-Mechanical Analyzer
- Bronchial Delivery System
- Bio-Marker Identification Kit
- Salt Room
- Cold Saltwater Equine Spa
- Vibrating Platform
- Class IV 4 Therapeutic Laser
- Equine Heart Rate Monitors
- Hyperbaric Chamber (2016)

- Six air changes per hour in every stall
- 3 Hay Steamers
- Well water and water treatment plant
- Pond for outdoor swimming with floating dock
- Fly spray system (organic)
- 8 horse Euro-Cizer (Undercover)

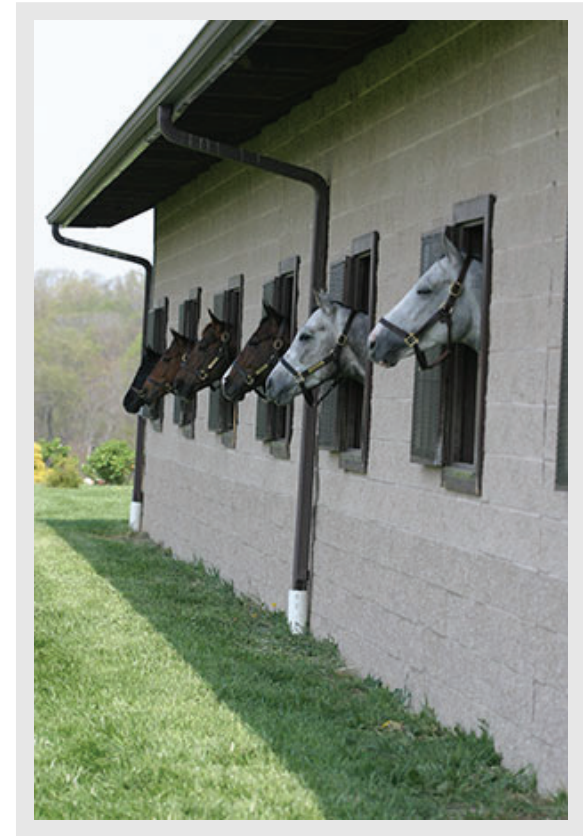
Paddocks

- 50 acres for turnout
- 10 turnout paddocks covering 20 acres
- 8 round pens on wheels and hydraulics, movable daily on 30 acres
- Areas for grazing on organic grass
- 2 sand pens

STATISTICS

GRADED STAKES WINS

- Breeders' Cup Mile (Grade I, twice)
- The Wood Memorial (Grade 1)
- Ashland Stakes (Grade I)
- De Francis Dash (Grade I)
- Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup Handicap (Grade 1)
- Mother Goose (Grade I)
- Sword Dancer Handicap (Grade I)
- Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes Grade II)
- Del Mar Derby (Grade II)
- Jersey Derby (Grade II)
- Bowling Green Handicap (Grade II)
- Red Smith Handicap (Grade II)
- Delaware Handicap (Grade II)
- Sky Turf Classic (Grade II)
- The Laurel Futurity (Grade III)
- West Virginia Derby (Grade III)
- Stars & Stripes Breeders' Cup Handicap (Grade III)
- Hawthorne Gold Cup (Grade III)
- Fourstardave Handicap (Grade III)
- Violet Handicap (Grade III)
- Gallorette Handicap (Grade III)
- Best Turn Stakes (Grade III)
- Snow Goose Stakes (Grade III)



We believe in giving our horses a view and 24 hours a day access to fresh air.



On the warm up track - every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday we canter left handed.



On the warm up track - every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday we canter right handed.



The New Tapeta 10 on the main all-weather track.

50 acres of Tapeta Farm is dedicated to daily year round turnout for the horses in training





Our round pens are equipped with hydraulics and wheels, allowing them to be moved daily.



Above we see a horse rolling in the pen enjoying the fresh air and grass.

- We turn the horses out daily in paddocks and round pens for four reasons:
- To promote a relaxed mind, keeping them happy
 - Fresh air to maintain the integrity of the lungs
 - Fresh green grass to aid in digestion and to reduce stomach ulcers
 - Exercise to increase collagen turnover

We aim to turn each horse out for 4 hours a day, depending on the horse and climate.





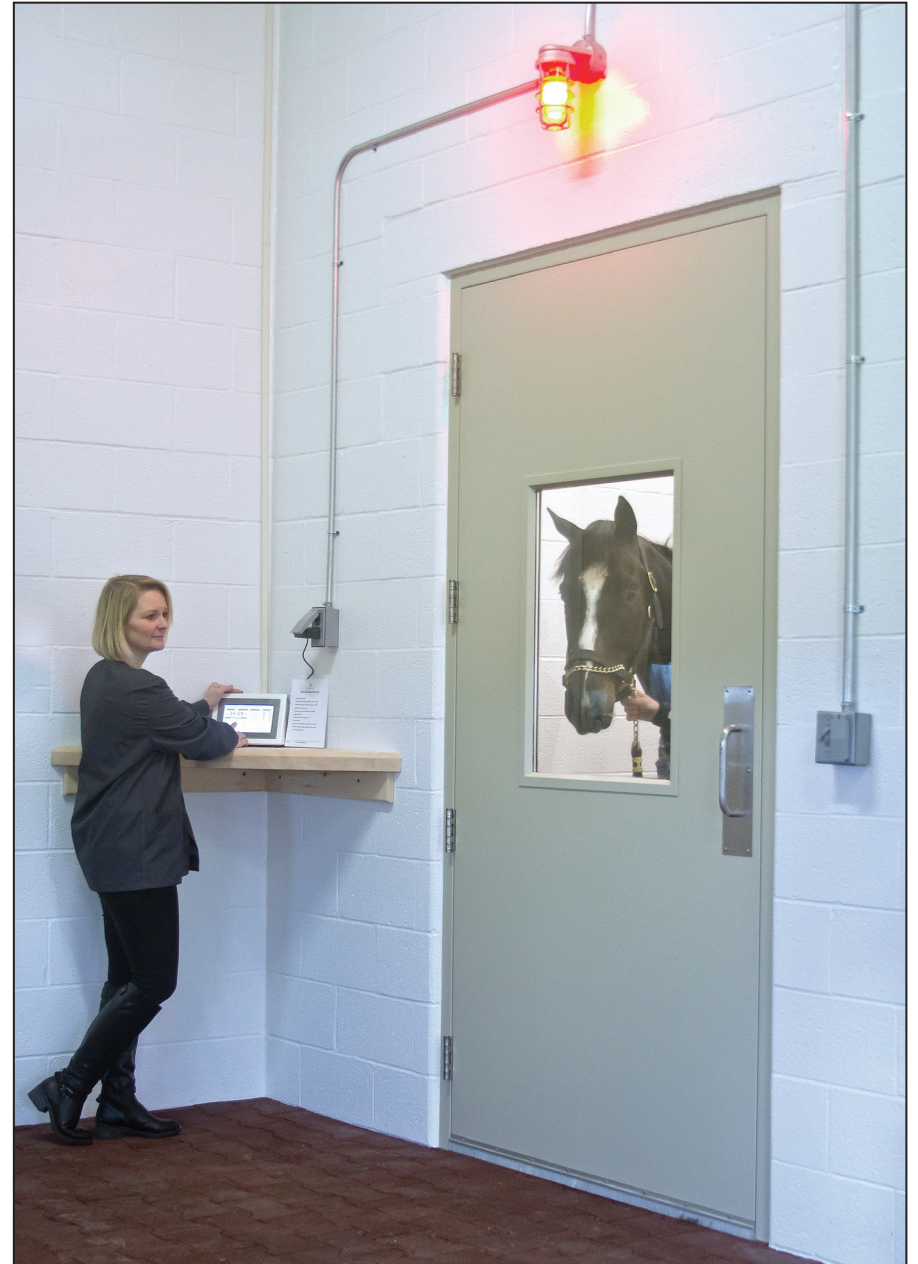
The Performance Center allows for the many treatments and therapies available to the equine residents of Tapeta Farm all aimed at improving performance and winning more races.



At Tapeta Farm our highly trained staff can coordinate and administer the available treatments to increase performance of our racehorses.



Outside the Salt room our staff can evaluate progress



The Salt Room can perform an array of tasks such as: break up of mucus, killing of harmful bacteria, treatment of skin diseases and reduction of inflammation.



The water treatment system at Tapeta Farm filters the well water, balances the pH and enriches the water with any minerals needed.

The Cold Saltwater Spa reduces inflammation after workouts.





Tapit after winning the Wood Memorial Grade 1 in New York.



Da Hoss winning the first of his two Breeder's Cup Mile races.



The Performance Center



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