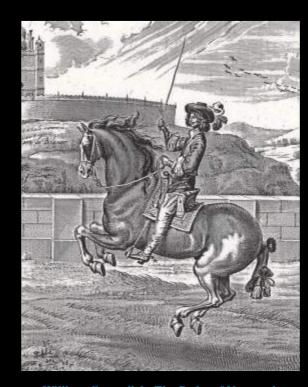


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"The (Andalusian) horses have a wonderful active walk, high trot, and admirable canter and an exceptionally fast racing gallop. In general, they are not very big, but there are nowhere better bred horses. I have heard extraordinary tales of their courage. The best horses are bred in Andalusia and especially the royal Cordoba stud."

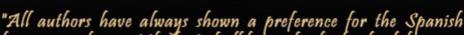
~ Jacque de Solleysel

Master of the Horse to Louix XIV, circa 1664



be. He is of great spirit & of great courage and docile; hath the proudest trot & the best action in his trot, the loftiest gallop, and is the lovingest and gentlest horse, and fittest of all for a king in his day of triumph."

~ William Cavendish, The Duke of Newcastle, 1667



horse, considering it the best of all horses for high school dressage, due to its agility, its resilience and its rhythm. It is considered the most adequate to show off, because of its bravery, distinction, and noble character."

- Francois Robichon de la Gueriniere,
Equerry to the King of France, circa 1773

ANDALUSBAN

"Most excellent studs put apart for breeding, and deriving their origin from some fine Spanish horses, which Robert de Belesme, earl of Shrewsbury, brought into this country: on which account

In 1188 the chronicler Giraldus Cambrensis noted in Powys:

earl of Shrewsbury, brought into this country: on which account
the horses sent from hence are remarkable for their majestic
proportion and astonishing fleetness."

~ The Itinerary of Archbishop Baldwin
through Wales: Book II, Chapter XII

the highest courage of domestic animals. His long mane and tail adorn and beautify him. He is of a fiery temperament, but good tempered, obedient, docile and well-mannered."

~ Pedro García Conde, 1685

"... This most noble beast is the most beautiful, the swiftest and of

"He did not feel the ground under his feet... he thrust himself into the capriole, rose high in the air... forelegs and hindlegs horizontal. He soared above the ground, his head high in jubilation. Conquering!"

~ Felix Salten, Austrian writer, 1869 author of Bambi

"Only ask, and he will weave a spell to light the dark recesses of your being,

spinning around you a web of sweet delights.

He'll pardon like no other your omissions, errors, thoughtless handling.

He will be your children's playmate; a child himself, he'll do no harm.

His back, a throne of feathers, will bear you smoothly at the trot and gallop. He'll go where others dare not. He'll stand firm where others flee in terror.

You'll discover that the pirouette is easy, that a rein back can go on forever,

that you need not be a great rider to perform airs above the ground.

bearing you safely through the air laden with long forgotten fragrance.

At the spur's light touch he'll take flight with the wind,

With him, the distant mountains will be clearer, brighter the light of the stars, the trilling of the nightingale more joyful, sweeter the gurgling of the streams.

~ Juan Llamas on the Spanish horse, the Andalusian