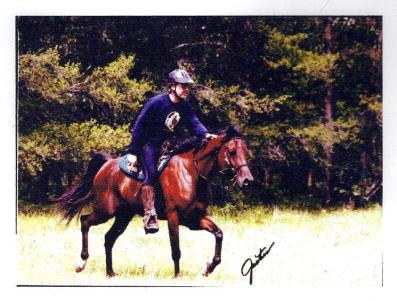
## Arazi



In the year 2000, my horse Arazi has made it to his first milepost, the 1000 mile mark in his career. It was hard work for both of us. Arazi and I worked four years to get to this point.

This milepost means a lot to me. Because my first horse Sheba, had only got six hundred and fifty miles when I gave her two years off to raise a foal. I named the foal Arazi after the favorite in that year's Kentucky Derby.

Sheba had done very well in endurance races. At the time I laid her off she had a funny way of moving in her hindquarters, but we couldn't figure it out.

After two years off it was a lot worst and she had to be retired. We found out later that it was bone spurs in her right hind fetlock.

When Arazi was old enough to start riding, I brought him along slowly. I thought his career was over, last year he had bowed a tendon. Luckily he has been able to recover completely. This 1000 mile award of Arazi's means a lot more than just an award for him. Arazi had won the award for him and his mother. I am very proud of them both.

Arazi - Aaron Mowrer