

Biography

Carlos Manuel Lucas Lopes, was born in Lisbon, on November 10th 1968, is married and father of two.

He has been a rider since the age of ten and breeder of "Puro Sangue Lusitano" since 1998.

Was one of the Escola Portuguesa de Arte Equestre (Portuguese Riding School) riders.

National Team manager and head of Dressage teams (Grand Prix, junior and young riders) since 2005. He has, in this period, participated in 4 European Championships, 2 World Championships, 2 Olympic Games, and 1 World Cup. He is a member of the Portuguese Equestrian Federation Technical Committee since 2005.

Has had several invitations to speak and take part in expert commissions and also in public forums organizes to promote the different equestrian disciplines and all kinds of subjects related to Lusitano breed. Has tutored, on invitation, equestrian skills perfecting practical courses, worldwide, especially in Germany.

Certificated as Riding Teacher, FEI International Dressage 4* Judge, and FEI International Paraequestrian 5* Judge. Also certified as Trainer/Coach Dressage and Paradressage athletes.

Has managed 5 equestrian centers, of which the Academia de Dressage Daniel Pinto is the most remarkable, for being one of the best equestrian centers in the world. Presently, and for the last 18 years, he manages the Centro Equestre da Quinta do Senhor da Serra, with a team of 4 monitors, teaching over 200 lessons a week.

He has trained athletes of several age categories and has achieved remarkable results both in European, as well as in and World Championships. Never won an international event, but that is one of major aspirations.

He has established a solid career as Judge, for which he has been granted effective recognition by all of the most important international institutions, resulting in invitations to judge in the most important Dressage and Paraequestrian events all over the world.

Also organized several Dressage, Paradressage and Show Jumping events. Amongst such events, the 1st European Paraequestrian Championship, in 2001, and the European Dressage Championship for junior and young riders, in 2008, are the most remarkable. He has also been responsible for the organization of over two dozens of National Championships and Portuguese Cup Finals.