

## $\frac{3}{9}$ <br> STEP-BY-STEP: <br> Snugging up the catchrope high on the neck.

The catchrope is an important tool for the Camelidynamics approach to handling and training. Its overall purpose and use is explained in the book, The Camelid Companion.

These instructions are written as if standing on the animals left having caught him with the wand and rope coming over the neck from the back to the front. Be sure the catchrope is in place high on the neck, just behind the ears and just behind the jaw.

1. Attach snap to large ring (rings on left, snap on right).
2. Using the thumb and forefinger of the left hand, hold the rings together (the small ring will be on bottom).
3. With the right hand, grasp the portion of the rope that is folded through the rings.
4. Pull the rope toward you with the right hand as you push the rings away from you with the left hand.
5. Move the fingers from the rings (left hand) just over to pinch the rope (the portion of the rope that encircles the neck). This step prevents the rope from slipping back through the rings keeping the rope snug around the neck.

6. Let go of the folded rope with your right hand and move your fingers to the tail end of the rope (the end of the rope laying over the back).
7. Pull on the tail end of the rope to take up all of the the slack.
8. With the fingers and thumb (primarily the thumb) of your right hand, push the small ring toward the big ring until you hear a click. This keeps the rings in place.

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