

American Quarter Horse

There is a great importance of knowing how to properly take care of a horse. Many people who buy land out in rural areas decide to get a horse or two because they now have the space for it. Just because you have the space for a horse though doesn't mean you should get one. Lots of people who do this don't know to take care of the horse they just bought or the work and time that goes into caring for horse. By doing this they have set their new horse up to a bad life. Many abuse cases found with horses is the owner thinking that they were taking care of it, when reality is quite the opposite.

All horses need to have good quality hay and grass to eat and lots of clean, fresh water that is always available to them if the animal would want some. Also depending on what the horse's activity level is, they many need some kind of extra grain to keep up good muscle mass. You can keep a horse in a stall but some sort of pasture or even dry lot is needed so the horse can properly get some exercise on its own.

When owning a horse you need to make sure to get a veterinarian out to your farm or wherever you are keeping the horse at least once a year to get annual vaccinations. Without them the animal is open to getting diseases that could result in its death. Another thing that needs to be done every four to six week is having a farrier out to trim the horse's feet.

When handling a Quarter Horse you always need to be aware of the horse and your surroundings because you never know what that horse might spook at. When going up against a nervous 14 to 15 hand horse, you need to know where your body is you so don't end up hurt. Every horse is different and when riding you need to know what you can do with it and how to go about doing that.

All a person needs to transport a horse is a vehicle with some kind of hitch and a trailer. The trailer could be a bumper hitch or a gooseneck, horse trailer or livestock trailer. It doesn't really matter what kind it is, as long as the horse fits in it.

Many colleges have will have a herd of Quarter Horses for students to learn and research. Some are used for nutrition. People feed individual horses to study how dietary changes affect growing horses, exercising horses, etc. There are also studies on digestibility, palatability and feeding behavior. They will also analyze different samples of feed, dung, and other stuff.