



Horse Stages

- A **stallion** is a male horse capable of siring foals (baby horses).
- A **colt** is a young male horse under four years of age.
- A **gelding** is a castrated or gelded male.
- A **mare** is a mature female horse.
- A **filly** is a young female under four years of age.
- A mare is pregnant or “**in foal**” for eleven months.
- A **foal** is a newborn horse.
- A **yearling** is a foal that is more than one year old.
- In a herd of horses the **leader** is most often a mare.
- When foals are born, their **legs are almost the same length**, as when they are fully grown.
- Within an **hour of birth**, a foal can stand up and walk.