

Native Horse Breeds in Estonia - Their Current State and Challenges

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The most numerous horse breeds in Estonia



Estonian Native



Estonian Heavy Draught



Tori



Trakehner



Arab



Estonian Sport Horse

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The most numerous horse breeds in Estonia

- Estonian Native Horse
- Tori horse*
- Estonian Heavy Draught

Endangered-maintained breeds

Breed	Number 17.10.2024
Estonian Native Horse EHS (1582)	2979
Estonian Native Horse EHKAS (1397)	
Tori horse TA	1042
Tori horse OT (14)	
Tori horse TB	361
Estonian Heavy Draught	

Breed	Number 17.10.2024
Estonian Sport Horse	2392
Trakehner	352
Arab	141
Estonian warmblood trotter	259
Akhal-Teke	53

*only universal direction horse population (TA, from 2009) and Old-Tori direction horse population (VT, from 2014)

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14177 horses in herd (17.10.2024)

Approved horse breeding organisations in Estonia

- Estonian Horse Breeders Society*
- Estonian Sporthorse Breeders' Society
- Estonian Trotting Association
- Akhal-Teke Association of Estonia
- The Old-Tori Horse Society
- The Estonian Native Horse Breeders Society
- The Tori Horse Society

One breed – several organizations

Estonian Horse
Breeders Society



Tori horse

The Tori Horse
Society

The Old-Tori
Horse Society

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Estonian Agricultural Registers and Information Board (ARIB) Equine database

ARIB/  Registers/  Animal register/

Public data of Equine database

<https://ariel.pria.ee/hobu/>

- Equid: a horse, pony, donkey, or hybrid thereof.

Estonian Agricultural Registers and Information Board (ARIB) data

- Equine database – 24354 records found
- – 14177 horses in herd (17.10.2024)



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Equine database

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Name

UELN

Microchip ID

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In search results horses in the herd in Estonia are displayed by default.
In the detailed search the country of residence of an equine is ESTONIA and status is IN
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24354 results found

Birth name	Commercial/FEI name	Breed	Subpopulation	Gender	Studbook number	Date of birth	UELN
1795 ALONDRA		Trakeen		Mare		16.03.1999	233002400118299
00167 TARANTELLA		Trakeen		Mare		23.03.1985	233002400132385
0024 BIO		Trakeen		Mare		25.12.1980	233002400113180
00251 THISBE		Trakeen		Mare	ESH 133E	18.12.1989	233002400334190
00252 BALVA		Trakeen		Mare		01.04.1980	233002400112380
00253 BELL AMI		Trakeen		Mare	ESH 189	18.03.1998	233002400353598
00254 BELVI	BELVI	Trakeen		Mare		23.02.1995	233002400275095
00255 BELGIA		Trakeen		Mare		25.03.1973	233002400017473
00257 BERLE		Trakeen		Mare	ESH 015	22.02.1987	233002400201087
00261 VEENUS		Trakeen		Mare		01.03.1972	233002400117372
00262 INDI PAMELA		Trakeen		Mare	ESH 078	22.06.1991	233002400242191

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Introduction of using horses for different works



Examples from V. Luha's collection of wooden horses at Olustvere Service and Rural Management School

Forest management

- 9.-13. 01.2023 – Leie, Viljandi county, course about forest management with horses.
- Encourage the use of horses in forestry work, especially in national park areas



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3. jaanuar 2023

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Police, border control

Since 2020, mounted patrols have been used on some occasions to reach places on horses that are difficult or impossible to reach with cars.

FOTO › Idapiiril hakkavad patrullima hobused

8. aprill 2020

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Sporthobused Fryc ja Pokker.
FOTO: PPA

Politsei- ja piirivalveameti Ida prefektuur annab sotsiaalmeedias teada, et kuni laupäevani patrullivad Punamäe teenistuskoha aladel kaitseliitlaste ja piirivalvurite kõrval ka kaks sportratsut Fryc ja Pokker.

Ratsud saabusid teisipäeva hommikul Raplamaalt ning hobused kuuluvad ühele kaitseliitlasele.

PPA tänab koostööpartnerit Kaitseliitu ja teisi abilisid, kes eriolukorras aitavad aidata!

Viimati olid hobused piirivalve ridades 20 aastat tagasi. Viimased neli teenistushobust olid kasutuses Hiiumaa piirivalvepiirkonnas ning müüdi 2000. aastal enampakkumisel maha.

Allikas: <https://www.postimees.ee/6944887/idapiiril-hakkavad-patrullima-hobused>



Kaitseliidu Võrumaa maleva ratsanikud patrullisid Krabi ja Luutsniku vahel. (Allikas: Lõuna-Eesti Postimees, 25.aprill 2020)
Foto: A. Breidakas, Lõuna-Eesti Postimees

Eesti lõunapiiri valvamisel abiks oleva Kaitseliidu Võrumaa maleva ratsaüksus viis laupäeval Krabi ja Luutsniku vahel esmakordselt läbi ratsapatrulli, jõudes hobustel ka nendesse kohtadesse, kuhu autodega on raske või võimatu ligi pääseda.

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Tori Horse Stud – 168 years

Established in 1856



November 1, 2024 – opening
of new arena



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Tori Horse Breeding Farm
The oldest horse breeding farm in Estonia, which started operating in 1856, still breeds Estonian and Tori horses and offers tours and horse rides. Here, you can get acquainted...
Homepage Tori alevik, Tori vald

Mustamõisa horse-riding hikes
A picturesque horse-riding hike takes you to the sacred Taevaskoda outcrops, the exciting Mõtsküla forest, or the enchanting Akste ant kingdom. In Taevaskoda, we will wait...
Homepage Mustakurmu küla, Põlva vald

Horse riding excursion to the seaside by Arma equestrian farm
A programme by Arma equestrian farm for horse enthusiasts who have acquired the basics of riding (slow trot skills are recommended but we can also use the...
Facebook Rutja küla, Haigla vald

Tihuse horse-riding & farmstead stay
Offering a wide selection of horseback and carriage trips, this expedition gives visitors the chance to take an Estonian

Kassari Horse Riding Hikes
Kassari Ratsamatkad (Horse Riding Hikes) is located on a little Kassari Island at the edge of Hiiumaa and it offers the possibility to hike on horses according to the wishes and...

Horse-riding at Tika Farm
Tika Farm gives you the chance to go horse-riding in nature accompanied by an guide who knows the area. Our horses take us to some beautiful beaches and along forests...

Sport and leisure



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