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Learning about horse breeds, common and rare, is fascinating and there's a wealth of information available for free on the Internet.

Your curiosity about horses and horse breeds will most certainly bring you to the Internet. In fact, the Internet is literally an A to Z of horse information. Websites such as Equiseach.com are like specialized online encyclopedias with hundreds of facts and listing about horses, horse breeds and anything else remotely related to horses.

When you think of horse breeds (or bloodlines or types) it is the Thoroughbred or the Arabian that comes to mind. The Thoroughbred is an English breed bred from Arabian horses imported to England in the late 16th century. These days in America, it is Kentucky that boasts the most Thoroughbred horse farms than anywhere else in the world.

Arabian horses are easily recognizable. They are well known for their affectionate temperament and bond very well with humans, after all this breed has been living with humans since 1500 B.C . They are friendly, agile and keen to work. The first Arabian was imported into America in 1725 by Nathan Harrison.

American breeds include the Standardbred (an excellent trotter and harness racer), the Quarter horse breed (bred for races), the Morgan horse breed (and intelligent and versatile horse for riding and work originating in Vermont) and the Appaloosa breed (a popular work and pleasure horse, which has also become a popular choice of sporting horse especially in dressage and jumping. This breed of horse is known for its distinctive coat coloring, which often includes spotting and mottled colors).

The Asian breeds, influenced by Arabian or Persian breeds, are small and relatively plain horses but known for their intelligence. Such breeds include the Tartar, Kirghis, Mongol and Cossack horses.

Lesser known breeds include the Kladruber, a strong harness horse, which originates from Czechoslovakia. The Brabançon, from Belgium, is a heavy and powerful horse. The Nonius Stallion,

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from Hungary, is a compact horse of good temperament and is also a competitive riding horse. Fjord Ponies from Western Norway are popular in Scandinavia. They are short, but have hardy strong legs.

Even lesser known breeds are the Maremmano or the Tuscan horse originating from the coast of Tuscany. This is a good working horse, once used by the Italian Cavalry, and even nowadays quite suited to police and army work, especially because of its calm but determined temperament. The Wielkopolski is a popular competition horse originating from Poland.

There are detailed descriptions of each breed of horse online. As well as great information there are hundreds of pictures of different horse breeds.

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American Saddlebred

By Michael Colucci

The American Saddlebred is a breed of horse developed in the state of Kentucky. Today they are featured in many showing competitions, and they are also used for racing, parades, and hunting. These horses have a disposition which make them good for virtually any task in which they are needed. They are well known for their stamina and the ability to learn quickly.

The Saddlebred is very alert and keen. It is flashy and steps high, and they are referred to as the "peacocks of the horse show world." The preferred Saddlebred is one that has excellent proportions and is beautiful. They have large eyes which are sharp and ears which have an excellent shape. The Saddlebred is known for having a head which is well proportioned to its body. These horses are also known for their prominent withers and muscular shoulders.

Saddlebreds are also known for being five gaited, and this is a trait which was passed down from their ancestors. This breed was first developed in the 18th century by Americans who bred the Thoroughbred with the Narragansett Pacer. The Pacer was a well known breed at the time, though many people have not heard of it today. Many people who lived on plantations enjoyed using these horses because they were comfortable and also had an excellent gait. It would go on to become a very stylish horse. These horses are very popular in the state of Kentucky.

Saddlebreds work well with harnesses and have enough strength to perform work on a farm. They are also fast enough to be used in certain types of races. By the middle of the 18th century, the genes from the Morgan horse breeds were added to give the Saddlebred more power and speed. It was this combined with the Thoroughbred that allowed the American Saddlebred to be developed. These horses begin to become very popular after 1940. A stallion named Denmark was born in 1939, and about 60% of all American Saddlebreds today are descendants of this horse.

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Saddlbreds are some of the most popular breeds of horses in the world, and have been owned by presidents, generals, and other prominent people. They have also been featured in many movies. These horses are well known for competing in show horse tournaments. American Saddlebreds are one of the most well known and popular breeds in the US. The looks and personality have made them sought after by many horse enthusiasts.

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