



## Virginia 4-H Horse Project @ Home Activity

# Make a Cardboard Pony Craft

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- Supplies:**
- 4-H at Home with Horses video, episode 3 - <https://youtu.be/IJbYusxiupE>
  - 3 Toilet Paper Rolls or 1 Paper Towel Roll
  - Glue or Hot Glue and Hot Glue Gun, Markers, Yarn, String
  - [\*Equine Science\*](#) by Jean T. Griffiths, pages 25-26
  - [\*Horses and Horsemanship\*](#), by Ray Antoniewicz, page 8
  - *Horse Anatomy* (Dover Nature Coloring Book), by John Green

**Age:** 7-9 (adult helpers: If using hot glue, assist them for their safety)

**Time:** 25 Minutes

**Rationale:** Through the experiential, hands-on process, youth learn about the basic parts of the horse while making a Cardboard Roll Pony craft. It also helps young kids stay connected with the joy of horses from home with this fun and creative project.

- Project Goal:**
- Identify several basic horse parts
  - Create a Cardboard Roll Pony
  - Enjoy their own homemade “Horse at Home” toy

- What to Do:**
- Gather supplies and watch the how-to video [At Home with Horses, ep. 3](#)
  - Draw and cut out legs and ears – see video for shapes to cut
  - Create yarn mane and forelock by cutting yard to preferred length
  - Decorate pony’s head (1 Toilet Paper Roll) by drawing and gluing on features
  - Create a tail by cutting more yarn to preferred length
  - Glue legs and tail onto the body of the horse (1 Toilet Paper Roll)
  - Glue head and body together

- Reflect:**
- What simple parts of the horse have I learned about?
  - How can I learn more about the parts of the horse?
  - How does this keep me interested in horses while at home?
  - Did I enjoy the activity and/ or learn something new?

- Apply:**
- How can you apply your basic knowledge of horse parts as an equestrian?
  - How will this help you to grow your interest in hippology?
  - Where can I go to learn more about the anatomy of the Horse?
  - How can I apply this knowledge to the basics of horse judging?

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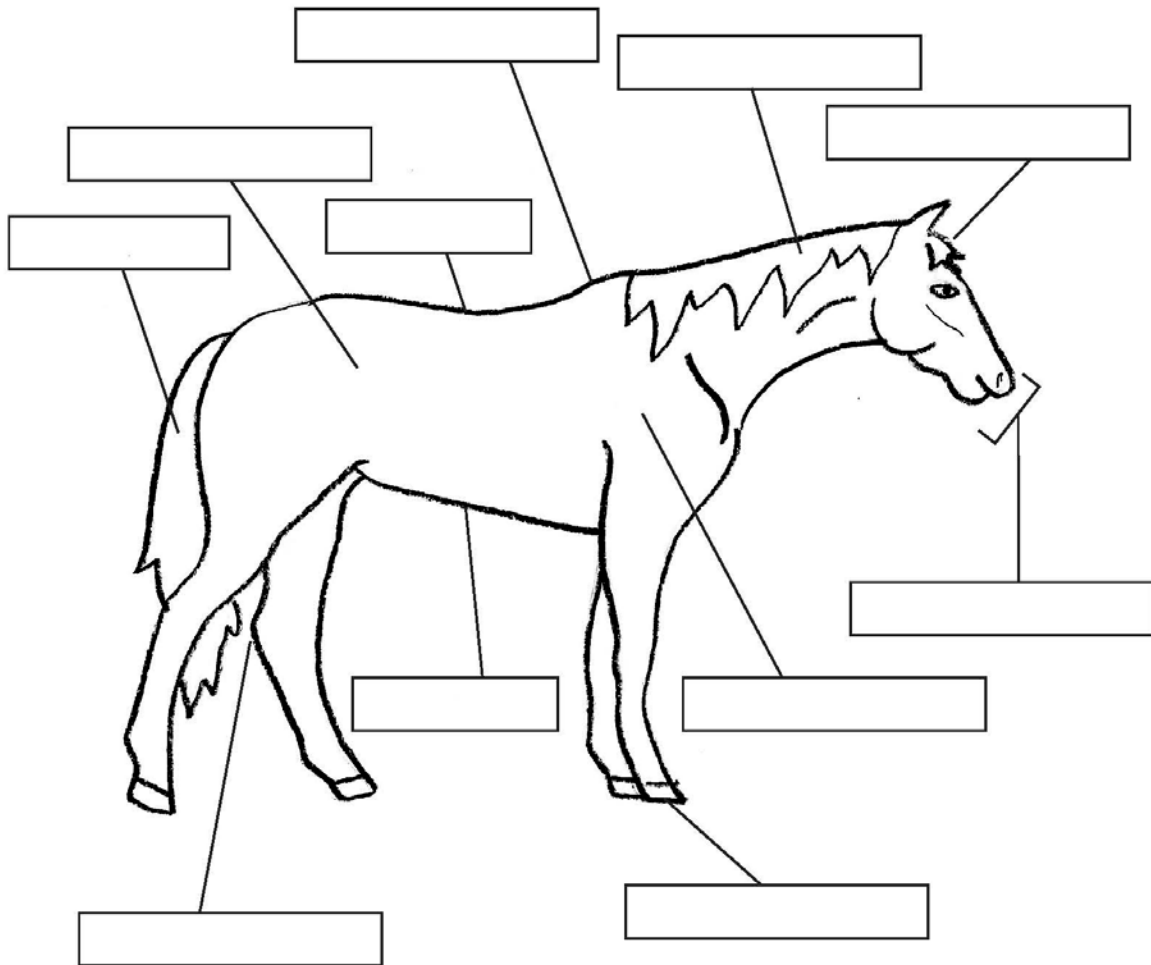
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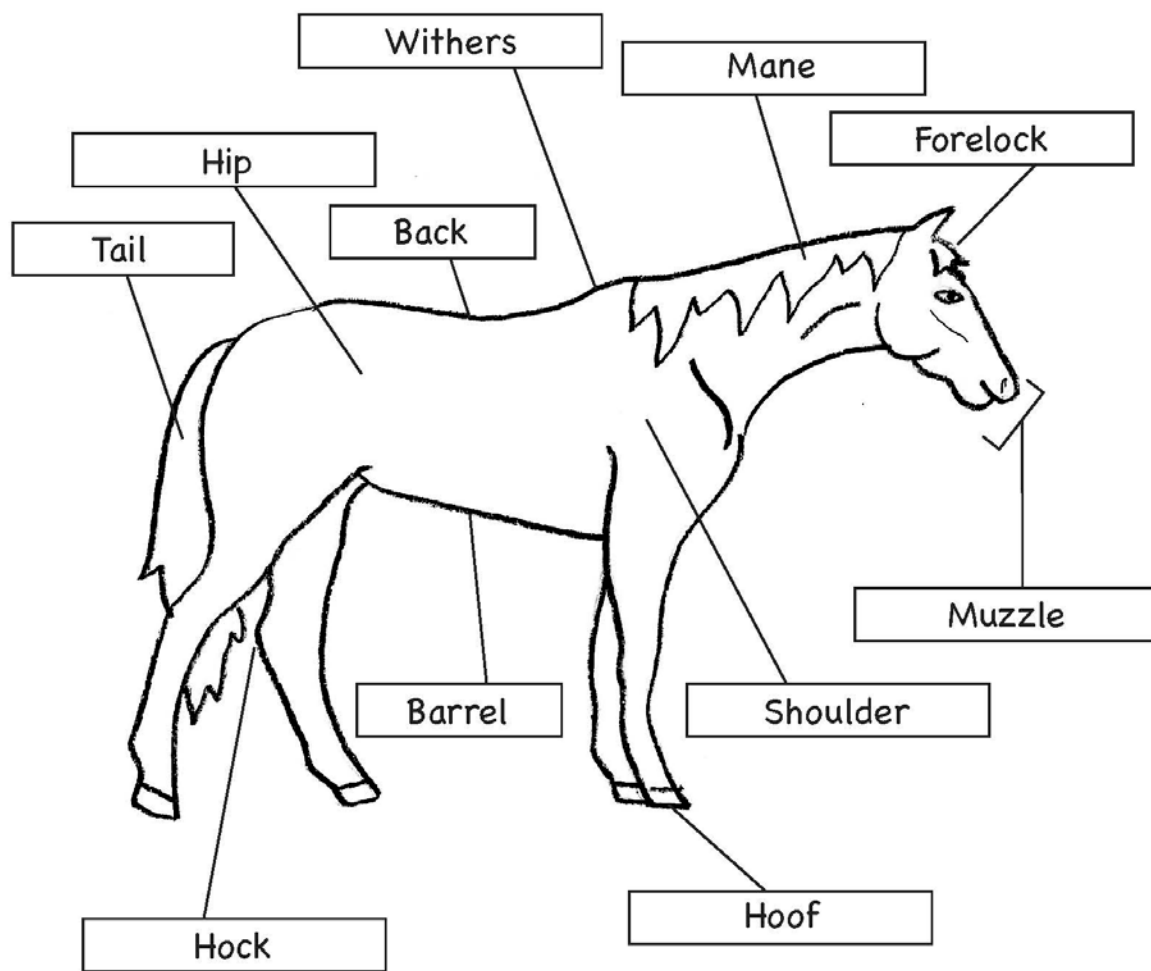




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# Basic Parts of the Horse

## Interesting Facts

1. Horses are herbivores.
2. Horses have the largest eyes of any land mammal.
3. Horses have better night vision compared to humans, and they can see color.
4. Old Billy was the oldest recorded horse who lived to be 62.
5. A horse only needs 4 hours of sleep a day.
6. Horses can sleep standing up.
7. The teeth of a horse take up more space in its head than its brain.
8. A horse cannot throw up, and they cannot burp.
9. The average weight of a horse's heart is 9 to 10 pounds.
10. A horse has 16 muscles in each ear which allow them to rotate their ears 180 degrees.



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