

Horse Fun Patch



This program is designed to help girls learn about horses and horseback riding.

Complete at least four activities, including the starred (*) activity.

Discover:

1. *Discuss safety around horses. What clothing and safety equipment should you wear to ride? How should you act around horses?
2. Learn at least 10 parts of a horse. Point them out on a horse or picture of one.
3. Help groom a horse. Learn the uses of several grooming tools.
4. Assist in preparing a horse for riding. Be able to give the names of the equipment used, such as halter, bridle and saddle.
5. Take a riding lesson. Show you can mount, start, steer, halt and dismount correctly.
6. Play a game on horseback. What new skills did you use?
7. Find out what horses eat. Name at least three things on a horse's menu.
8. Find out what needs to be done to care for the horse after riding. If possible, help put away you tack and horse.
9. Read a story, book, or watch a movie about horses. Make a picture about your favorite part.

Connect:

1. Teach a younger Girl Scout troop what you have learned about horse care and safety.
2. Discuss the many uses people have for horses now and in the past.
3. Learn about services available to keep a horse healthy. Describe what each person does for horses: veterinarian, dentist, farmer, etc.

Take Action:

1. Help keep a horse's environment clean and healthy by offering to help clean out a horse stall or barn.