

enjoy a show even if you don't own a horse

Showing is one way to enjoy your horse; for some people, it's the whole reason for owning a horse. But what if you don't have a horse, Showing can still be for you. Consider volunteering at a show.

Shows are a huge amount of work, and there's always a job for a willing body to do. Volunteering puts you behind the scenes, close to horses and with a ringside view of the competition.

You can learn a lot, and make valuable horse contacts. You will also be part of making everybody's fun day possible, which is a good thing all in itself.

Volunteer opportunities vary depending on the size and type of show. You may be able to help at the show office, open and close gates at the hitching ring, be a scribe or assist in the ring.



"One of the earliest religious disappointments in a young girl's life devolves upon her unanswered prayer for a horse." ~ Phyllis Therous

we are

Aurora Arabian Horse Association - an Association of Arabian horse enthusiasts from across Western Canada who join together to incite a passion to own and enjoy the Arabian horse by bringing a rich life long experience to members through involvement with Arabians and Part Arabians - and to encourage members to fully experience and enjoy Arabian and Part Arabian horses for recreation, sport and companionship.

Our club was founded in February of 1965.



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"After God had fulfilled his word, he addressed the newly created mare as follows:

"I have made thee without an equal: the goods of this world shall be placed between thy eyes; everywhere I will make thee happy and preferred above all the beast of the field,

for tenderness shall everywhere be in the heart of the master; good alike for the chase and retreat, thou shall fly though wingless ..."

~ Prophet

"On the back of a horse you will find Paradise on earth." ~ Stella A. Walker

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arabians strength, beauty and passion



"To me, horses and freedom are synonymous."
~ Veryl Goodnight

"I HEAR in my heart,
I hear in its ominous pulses,
All day, on the road, the hoofs of invisible
horses." ~ Louise Imogen Guiney

beginning

Arabians were developed from a stew of ancient breeds, in the Arab regions of Iran, Iraq, Syria, and Turkey - not in Saudi Arabia, as many people believe. The Arabs of the Arabian Peninsula began breeding them in around 600 CE; the young man who would become the prophet Mohammed was an early enthusiast, and he encouraged horse breeding. Horses were used in warfare and for racing. They were beloved family members, often living in the tent with the family and sharing all meals. Among many Arab people it was unthinkable to sell a horse; horses were said to know when they were being sold, and to go into mourning.

today

This lovely and spirited breed attracted fans wherever it went, and can now be found all over the world. The first Arabian in America was Ranger, who arrived in 1760. His half-Arabian son, the Lindsay Arabian, was given to George Washington. Today Arabians are hugely popular in the United States, especially in California and Arizona. They dominate the sport of endurance racing and can be found competing in nearly every equine discipline.

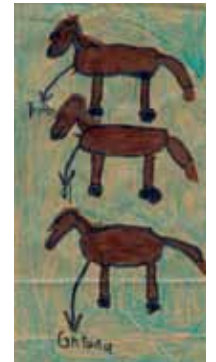
look

Arabians have a straight or slightly dished profile, large eyes, a long arched neck, short back, and high-set tail. The legs are muscular, the hooves are tough, and the coat is fine and silky. They're small horses, standing between 14 and 15.2 hands and weighing 900 to 1,100 pounds. Arabians may be any solid color. The skin is always black.

Arabians are spirited, intelligent, and loyal. Among some people they have the reputation of being high-strung; they do need to be handled sensitively, and like to be treated with respect. After all, in the Bedouin tents they were practically royalty, and they remember that!

good fortune

According to Islamic lore, every grain one feeds a horse is counted as a good deed. Princess Alia of Saudi Arabia quotes the prophet as saying "Good fortune is knotted in the horse's forelock until the Day of Judgement, and people are assisted in their care of them, so stroke their forelocks and pray that they be blessed." What a beautiful idea.



For information about this breed, horse shows, youth program, our club and its membership program, access our website at www.auroraarabian.com

"When Allah created the horse, he said to the wind, 'I will that a creature proceed from thee. Condense thyself.' And the wind condensed itself, and the result was the horse." ~ Marguerite Henry

"There are two things for which animals are to be envied: they know nothing of future evils or of what people say about them." ~ Voltaire