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	Akhal-Teke	Turkmenistan	Threatened	900-1000/900	15.2 /62"	Active, Spirited	Good	Intermediate/Advanced	Moderate	Outstanding endurance and sport horse; very slender appearance and naturally "ribby"; known for metallic-gold sheen on coat; very devoted to owner
	American Cream	US	Critical	1800-2000/1600-1800	15-16.3/60-67"	Docile	Good	Novice/Intermediate	Good	Excellent for small scale draft and driving; cream colored bodies and amber eyes are distinctive
	Canadian	Canada	Critical	900-1000/900	15-16/56-64"		Good	Novice/Intermediate	Good	Riding; driving; hardy
	Caspian	Iran	Critical	400-600	11.2/46-50"	Docile	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Finely built riding pony; very people oriented; should not exceed 12.2 hands
	Cleveland Bay	England	Critical	1500/1200	16-17/64-68"	Docile	Good	Novice/Intermediate	Good	Sport riding; driving; intelligent; crosses make excellent sport horses
	Clydesdale	Scotland	Watch	1800-2000/1600-1800	16.2-18/66-72"	Docile	Good	Intermediate	Fair to Good	Heavy draft; feathered feet; gentile


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	Colonial Spanish	United States	Threatened	700-900	13.2-15/52-62"	Docile to Alert, depending on herd	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Riding; endurance; some are gaited; very people oriented
	Dales Pony	England	Critical	800-1000/800-900	14-14.2/56-58"	Docile, Spirited	Excellent	Novice/Intermediate	Good to Excellent	Feathered feet; riding and driving; great action in movement
	Dartmoor	England	Threatened	500/450-460	12/48"	Docile, Spirited	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Riding and driving; used for managing invasive plants
	Exmoor	England	Threatened	500	11.2/46"	Docile, Spirited	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Primitive pony; riding and driving; used for managing invasive plants
	Fell Pony	England	Watch	1000	13-14/52-56"	Docile, Spirited	Excellent	Novice/Intermediate	excellent	Feathered feet; riding; driving
	Galiceño	Mexico	Critical	600-800	12-13.2/48-56"	Docile	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Riding; ranch work; small horse that can do the work of a big horse

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	Gotland	Sweden	Watch	550	11.5-13/46-52"	Docile	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Riding; driving; very hardy
	Hackney Horse	England	Critical	1000-1200	60-64"	Docile, Spirited	Good	Novice/Intermediate	Good	Riding; driving; extremely rare
	Irish Draught	Ireland	Threatened	1150-1600	15-17/61-67"	Docile	Good	Novice/Intermediate	Good	Sport riding; driving; crosses makes excellent sport horses
	Lipizzan	Austria	Threatened	1100	14.2-15.2/56-62"	Docile	Excellent	Novice	Good	Riding; driving; used for high-school dressage; typically long-lived horse
	Mountain Pleasure/ Rock Mountain	United States	Watch	850-1000	14.2-15.5/58-62"	Docile	Good	Novice	Good	Gaited riding horse
	Newfoundland Pony	Canada	Critical	400-750	11-14.2/44-56"	Docile	Excellent	Novice	excellent	Riding; driving; tough, adapted pony
	Shire	England	Critical	2200/1900	17.2-19.2/66-76"	Docile	Good	Intermediate	Fair to Good	Feathered feet; large heavy draft horse.

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	Suffolk	England	Critical	1800	16-17/64-68"	Docile	Good	Intermediate	Fair to Good	Clean-legged draft horse

***Climate: Horses can be highly adaptable to most climates. When purchasing animals, it is always best to buy from a region that is similar in climate, landscape, and temperature to your farm.*