



Shetland Pony

Type: Pony, Light Breed

Origin: Shetland Islands, Great Britain

Uses: Pet, child mount, driving small vehicles

Important Traits: Hard and strong, gentle and versatile

Size: 10.2 Hands

Description: The U.S. has separate breed standard for each type of Shetland pony. The Classic Shetland pony has a short head with large nostrils, a wide forehead, sharp, small ears, a fine muzzle, and bright eyes. The body is sturdy with substance in the hindquarter and chest. The tail sets high on the croup. The Modern Shetland pony is strong and blends the classic pony with quality and refinement. The neck is well arched and the head is carried high.

Color Pattern: Any color except appaloosa. No particular coat or eye color is preferred. The most popular colors are black and dark brown. May come with silver dapples, which is unique to the Shetland pony.

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