

A basic look at Horse expenses

It is really difficult to give a completely accurate breakdown of what it cost to keep a horse. This is meant to provide basic information on the costs associated with horse ownership. Please keep in mind that the numbers given here can fluctuate for many reasons including but not limited to:

*Hay prices can change frequently. Likewise, other costs can be affected by weather and other factors.

*Farriers, veterinarians and other practitioners have to adjust their costs as gas/supply prices increase.

*Your horse can also need dental work more than once per year or may need vaccinations outside of the basic core vaccinations.

*Unexpected veterinary bills can greatly affect your budget.

*Professional training can be costly

Basic Care Needs Overview (Boarding your horse may include a portion of these)

-15-20lbs forage \$3.50+/day

-Supplements vary greatly

-Salt/Mineral block \$25+/year

-Good quality grain \$18-20 for a 50lb bag

-Farrier every 4-8 weeks \$40-60/trim

-Fecal checks and deworming medication \$30-60/year

-Dentistry once per year \$200-\$250/year

-Annual basic core vaccinations \$185-\$350/year

-Maintaining property (care and maintenance)

-Shoeing, if needed \$85-\$175+/visit

-Additional vaccinations

-Tack/grooming supplies/buckets/bedding/mats...



P.O Box 166 – Howell MI 48844

Thank you for your interest in adopting a horse from Horses' Haven. Please call (517)548-4880 to connect with our adoption team and schedule a visit!

Name:

Date:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

General Information

Please list the person(s) that will be responsible for the horse's primary care (feeding, training, grooming, medical/farrier costs):

Please list the person(s) that will be the primary rider/handler:

What do you consider your level of riding/handling ability:

Beginner- New to horses, little to no riding experience, limited or no horse care knowledge.

Advanced Beginner- Some riding experience, limited knowledge of general horse care.

Intermediate- Comfortable at all gaits, able to handle difficult horses in various situations, knowledgeable about general horse care.

Very experienced- Experience training horses and handling of green horses.

What is your intended use for the horse?

Trail Dressage 4H Eventing Jumping Driving Lesson/school horse
Therapy/rehab Endurance Hunter Gaming Reining Competition
Pleasure/trail Companion/pet Other

Do you currently own a horse?

If yes, please provide more information:

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| Horse 1: Name/Breed | Age: | Sex: |
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If you don't currently have a horse, have you ever owned a horse?

If yes, please include information indicating what happened to the horse (sold, given away or died. Please include cause of death)

Have you ever sold a horse at auction?

Do you have animals other than horses? If yes, please list:

**Horses' Haven requires another horse or companion animal onsite if not boarding*

Where would this horse be stabled?

Your home: yes/no If so, do you own or rent your property?

If renting, do you have permission from landlord to keep horses?

Boarding Facility: yes/no If so, please provide the following:

Facility name:

Barn owners name:

Address:

Facility phone number:

Do you have or use a trainer?

Name:

Phone #:

Do you have a farrier?

Name:

Phone #:

Do you have an equine veterinarian?

If so, please fill out the attached

Veterinarian reference form. If you do not currently have an equine veterinarian, do you know which one you would like to work with after acquiring a horse?

Are you financially prepared to provide proper veterinary, farrier, emergency care, etc?

How often do you vaccinate?

Date of last vaccinations?

How often do you worm?

Date of last worming?

How often do you trim/shoe?

Date of last farrier visit?

How often do you have dental?

Date of last dental visit?

References

Please provide us with two personal references, ones that can speak about your horse experience if possible.

Name:

Phone #:

Name:

Phone #:

In submitting this application, you agree to the following:

*Horses' Haven reserves the right to deny any application for any reason.

*If application is approved and this is determined to be a good match for both horse and human, we will proceed with a site inspection.

*Once approved, you will be required to sign an adoption contract.

By signing below, I certify that the information on the application is true and accurate. I give Horses' Haven, its officers and agents permission to verify all information contained therein.

Signature:

Date:

Office use only

Reviewed by:
check:

Approved by:

Reference

Veterinarian Reference Form

This form is to be filled out by the veterinarian listed on your application. Please fill in the top section of this form and submit it to Horses' Haven along with your application. The purpose of this form is to assure HH that the adopter will have a veterinarian available when the adopted animal needs care. Alternatively, permission can be given for the veterinarian to speak with our Adoption Coordinator.

Applicant's name, address and phone:

To be completed by veterinarian:

The Veterinarian who fills this out will not be held liable for the opinions expressed here. Upon completion, please return this form to Horses' Haven at the address listed below.

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone:

How long have you been treating the applicant's animal(s)?

Does the applicant keep his/her animals current on vaccinations and other health care?

Please describe your impression of the care and condition of the animals the applicant currently owns and

/or those you have treated for them in the past:

Do you think this applicant would provide a good home to an animal adopted from Horses' Haven?

Thank you for taking the time to complete this form!