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# Shetland Pony (“Pro”)

*Equus caballus*



Pro – *Animal of the Year*

**Description** – The Shetland Pony is a small variety of horse. It has a stocky, muscular body with a shaggy coat. The coat can come in a variety of colors, but the most common are shades of black and brown. Pro’s coloring is called chestnut.

**Size** – This type of pony weighs between 300 and 500 pounds. Shetlands stand no taller than 11.2 hands (46 inches) at the withers (shoulders).

**Individual Animal Information** – Pro was born in 1991 and was purchased from a horse breeder in 1993. He is frequently used for birthday parties and school programs in which children get the chance to enter his stall to touch or groom him.

## Adaptations

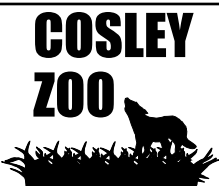
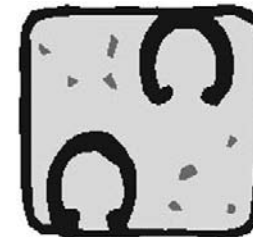
- Horses’ large eyes are set on the side of their heads so they can see nearly all the way around their bodies.
- Their ears swivel separately so they can determine the exact location of a sound.
- The strong legs of horses enable them to run very quickly to escape predators.
- The stocky stance and sure-footedness of Shetland Ponies made them useful for working in mines.

**Diet** – Pro’s diet consists of grain and hay. He also receives fruits and vegetables, such as apples and carrots, as rewards during his training sessions.

**Life Expectancy** – Shetland Ponies live an average of 20-25 years.

## Fun Facts

- The Shetland Pony was originally developed in the Shetland Islands about 100 miles north of Scotland.
- Ponies, along with other types of horses, have the ability to sleep standing up, and often do.
- The height of a horse is measured in hands. Originally a “hand” was equal to the width of a human hand, but has since been standardized. One hand is now equal to four inches.
- Not all horses wear shoes! Shoes are only necessary to protect the feet of horses that often walk on hard surfaces. Pro does not wear shoes, but he does have his hooves trimmed several times a year by a farrier.



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