

Icelandic Horse

Description: Norse settlers brought the breed to the islands in the 9th-10th centuries. In 982AD a law passed to prohibit the import of other horse breeds making them one of the purest horse breeds in the world.

Characteristics: Stand 13-14 hands. Most noted for its five gaits. Has a straight profile, low withers, full mane and tail. Popular for sheepherding, show, riding and racing.

Color: Gray, Chestnut, Bay, Dun, Black, Palomino, Pinto and Roan to list a few with 40 officially listed

Sources:

<https://www.horsebreedspictures.com/>

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