



How to Find the Perfect Place for Your Pony Budget Worksheet

Before you decide to buy a horse, know what you're getting into financially. The purchase price is only the beginning. If half way through the winter you decide you can't afford to keep your horse, realize that you can't sell him overnight and he doesn't stop eating because you've decided you can't afford the hay.

Use this worksheet to make a budget for the first year. Items marked with * are optional.

		Budgeted	Actual	
Purchase Expenses	<i>Purchase price</i>			
	<i>Professional fees</i>			
	vet check			
	agents fee*			
	<i>Travel costs</i>			
<i>Registration fees*</i>				
TOTAL		\$	\$	
Tack and Equipment	<i>Outfitting the horse</i>	grooming kit		
		water & feed buckets		
		saddle		
		bridle		
		saddle pads		
		leg protection		
		cooler		
		winter blanket		
		additional tack*		
		horse trailer*		
	<i>Outfitting the rider</i>	helmet		
		boots		
		riding pants**		
		additional clothing*		
		TOTAL	\$	\$
Ongoing Expenses	<i>Horse care</i> <small>see Basic Horse Care Chart</small>	boarding fee		
		feed & bedding		
		property repairs & maintenance		
		supplements and treats*		
		veterinary expenses		
		farrier		
		deworming		
		<i>Tack repairs & maintenance</i>		
	<i>Riding lessons</i>			
	TOTAL	\$	\$	
Total Cost of Buying and Owning a Horse for the First Year				