

Equine Arithmetic

How are horses measured? How do **you** compare to some of our equines here at the sanctuary?

To measure the height of an equine, you must start from the bottom of the front hoof and go to the top of the withers. A “hand” is approximately 4 inches. So... if a horse is 42 inches tall from the bottom of the hoof to the top of the withers, then the horse would be 10.5 hands tall!

(Divide height in inches by 4 = # of Hands)

Example: I am 5’5” tall. This means I am a little over 15 hands tall!



Gomez & Gizmo are 17 hands tall!



These Three Amigos are less than 9.3 hands tall!