

2008 HopeFoals

Coming Soon to MHP

These four colts are the last of the Buchweitz farm's once large Premarin herd. The farm lost their contract with the Premarin industry when the pharmaceutical company decreased sales due to the high correlation of the drug Premarin and breast cancer. On the positive side, the reduced sales of Premarin will mean fewer and fewer Premarin foals being born. But the withdrawal of the contracts means loss of income for the farmers and thousands of Premarin broodmares, foals and stallions either on the market or sent to slaughter in Canada.

To understand the breeding of colored horses, the paint registry is a breed registry and the Pinto registry is a coloration registry. Paint horses must have some quarter horse blood line, and the spotted coloration. Pinto horses can be any breed, but must have the spotted coloration. Any of the paint foals are also eligible for registration in the Pinto registry, and, upon acceptance, would be called "double registered" Paint and Pinto.

To understand the coloration patterns, very simplistically, a tobiano will usually have white crossing over his back somewhere. In an overo, the white will usually not cross the back between the withers and tail. There are other distinctions as well.

This stunning black and white tobiano paint colt has four white socks, a black and white tail, and a snip on his nose. He is feisty, energetic and athletic.

This colt will eventually turn black. He is an unregistered half Arabian, half paint. He is a half brother to the colt above, with the same paint sire, Oil Patch Smurf. His mother, Bartans Gypsy, is an Arabian. She is a favorite family horse, saved from the herd dispersal sale because of her gentle nature.

This tri-colored filly is a bay and white tobiano paint. She is the friendliest of the group and will approach the farmers in the field for petting.

This sorrel filly is a Medicine Hat Paint. This distinctive coloration, with the war bonnet over the ears, was considered sacred by the Native Americans. Chiefs rode these horses into battle as they were believed to have the power to render you invincible in battle. This filly also sports a war shield on her chest for added protection.

