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### Horse Talk

Comparing life in the herd and the domestic foal is like comparing night and day! As a prey animal, a foal has to be able to keep up with the herd within a day. Most births take place at night to give the foal time to get its feet, find its balance, and are able to run by daybreak.

In the wild foals suckle their dams (mother) for about a year, although they do start nibbling grass from the first day or so. Grass gradually replaces milk as the main foodstuff in the first year. Domestic foals are usually weaned at about six months. Foals depend on their dams for a few months, although strong emotional bonds often exist long after practical independence is reached.

A domestic foal must learn from other foals. This interaction is vital to the wellbeing of the foal when separated from their mother. Luckily for Wiley, he has a big brother named Eddie. At the birthing farm, Eddie the colt, was born about a month before, and is teaching Wiley the ropes! Wiley follows everything that Eddie does. It just puts a smile on your face!

### Our Colt Has A Name

**Wiley, short for Wild Thing was a unanimous vote!**

His show name is Wild Thing, and he seems to be living up to his name! Wiley, has spurts of energy that sends him flying around the Paddock with mom close behind making sure that he's okay. Hard to believe that on July 18, Wiley was one month old!



Our rescued mare and mother of the new beautiful colt's name is Fyra. Fyra means, "fire blaze" in Danish, because of her very bright chestnut coat and attitude, reminds us of fire. Her show name is Van de Fyra, which means "of the fire blaze."

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