

## Daily Hoof Care Routine Checklist

1. Inspect Hooves Thoroughly
  - Check for cracks, chips, or abnormal wear.
  - Look for signs of heat, swelling, or sensitivity.
2. Clean Hooves
  - Use a hoof pick to remove dirt, stones, and manure.
  - Pay special attention to the frog and crevices to prevent infections like thrush.
3. Check for Debris or Injuries
  - Ensure no sharp objects or foreign materials are lodged in the hoof.
  - Examine for puncture wounds or signs of abscesses.
4. Apply Hoof Conditioner (Optional)
  - Use a hoof moisturizer during dry seasons to prevent cracking.
  - Apply hoof oil to manage moisture in wet conditions.
5. Monitor for Unusual Odors
  - A foul smell could indicate thrush or other infections; take immediate action if detected.
6. Assess the Horse's Gait
  - Walk the horse on a hard, flat surface to spot signs of lameness or discomfort.
7. Maintain the Environment
  - Ensure the stall and turnout areas are clean and dry to reduce the risk of bacterial and fungal infections.