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The Foundation Morgan Horse Society's mission is to preserve & promote the Morgan Horse's original bloodlines and type so we may continue to enjoy the traits that made the Morgan Horse so versatile and unique.

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OLD STYLE MORGANS ARE Still Around

The Foundation Morgan Horse is the old, classic style Morgan horse which was prized during the mid 1800's to early 1900's and still highly valued by dedicated breeders and admirers today.

Foundation Morgans exhibit strong characteristics distinguishable from most modern day Morgans by their compact, close ribbed bodies, substance of bone, deep well-rounded quarters, oblique shoulders, broad forehead with soft kind eye and short ears, medium length neck nicely crested...all described as baroque in type. These old bloodlines are those that make very versatile animals and their intelligence and sensible dispositions make for an all around excellent



family horse as well as a serious contender in any discipline.

Beginning in the 1930's, crossing Morgans with Saddlebreds was quite fashionable due to the popularity of the Saddlebred and the prestige they brought in the show ring. This practice resulted in Morgans which were less and less of classic Morgan type. These bloodlines are now very endangered. Approximately 64% of the Morgans today have outcrosses to the modern Saddlebred.

The Foundation Morgan Horse has no Saddlebred outcrosses after 1930 and the male sireline (top line on pedigree) must trace directly to Justin Morgan.

Foundation Qualified Morgans by Decade

Decade	Reg Morg	Found Qualif	% Qualif
1930-1940	1503	1487	98.9%
1940-1950	4555	4412	96.8%
1950-1960	5329	4970	93.2%
1960-1970	16711	13860	82.9%
1970-1980	34578	19932	57.6%
1980-1990	43680	13179	30.1%
1990-2000	31987	5194	16.2%
2000-2010	8029	1016	12.6%



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