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Taming that mane: By Holly Grayton

Does your horse have a wild mane that either sticks straight up or prefers to lie on both sides of the neck? Here we will discuss a couple ways to tame that mane.

Be sure to first read the article about properly preparing a mane for braiding. You will then have a mane suitable for these taming exercise ideas.



1-The simple pony tail. Keep your sections of mane small. Once secured by a braiding elastic, split the pony tail in two and pull to tighten.



2-The second is an off-shoot of the pony tail. Once the pony tail is made, create a space at the base of the pony tail (on the neck-side of the braiding elastic), and wrap the pony tail back through itself. This will make the mane lie flat against the neck.



3-The last method is a braid. Again, keep the sections of mane small. It isn't necessary to braid all the way down each section, it is more important that each section is braided tightly at the top.

