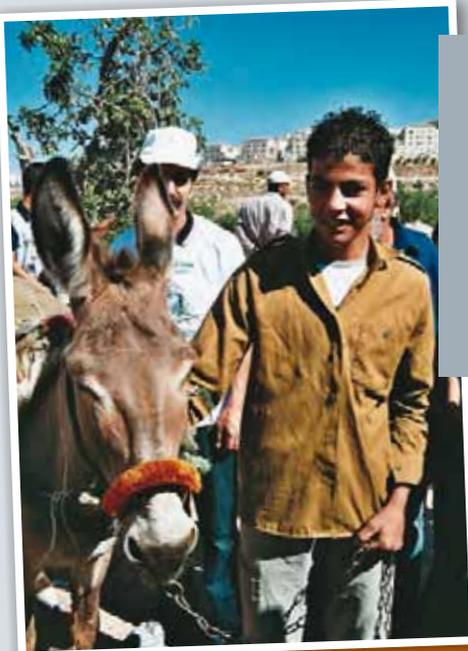


NOSEBAND PROTECTORS NEEDED



Noseband protectors, like this one on a donkey in Bethlehem, will help prevent injury and pain

Get sewing for WSPA and help donkeys and horses in need

Supporters of the World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA) have already shown just how much they care about neglected and abused horses and donkeys by donating in their thousands to WSPA's recent appeal featuring the work of Zvika Tamuz and his group, Pegasus, in Israel.

We would like to provide our projects in the Middle East – run by Pegasus in Israel and the Palestine Wildlife Society (PWLS) in Palestine – with enough noseband protectors to make sure that no donkeys or horses suffer from painful nosebands chafing their skin.

Imad Atrash, who manages the PWLS, is overjoyed that WSPA is asking its supporters to help in this way:

“We plan to educate all the equine owners on this important welfare issue. We hope that in the future all the equines will be wearing these covers. WSPA supporters will become part of our intervention programme, to improve the welfare of animals in our country.”

WSPA has helped donkeys and horses in the Middle East for many years, working with local, expert member societies to rescue neglected animals and to show owners practical ways of improving their care and treatment.

Now WSPA are offering you the chance to help those donkeys and horses in the Middle East in a practical way yourself - by making a noseband protector.

In many countries, working donkeys and horses suffer wounds from ill-fitting harnesses often made out of metal chains, that bite into their flesh as they work. These injuries can be prevented very easily by attaching a soft and thick fabric cover over the chains to protect the donkey or horse. It is so easy to do but extremely effective.

Turn over for instructions on how to make a noseband protector.



A donkey with a chain noseband without a protector, which has bitten into his flesh



Alistair Findlay with a bundle of noseband protectors made by WSPA staff

Alistair Findlay, Middle East Programmes Manager, says;

“Many equines experience unnecessary pain and discomfort from these wounds, many of which become infected. The noseband protector is an effective example of prevention being better than the cure”



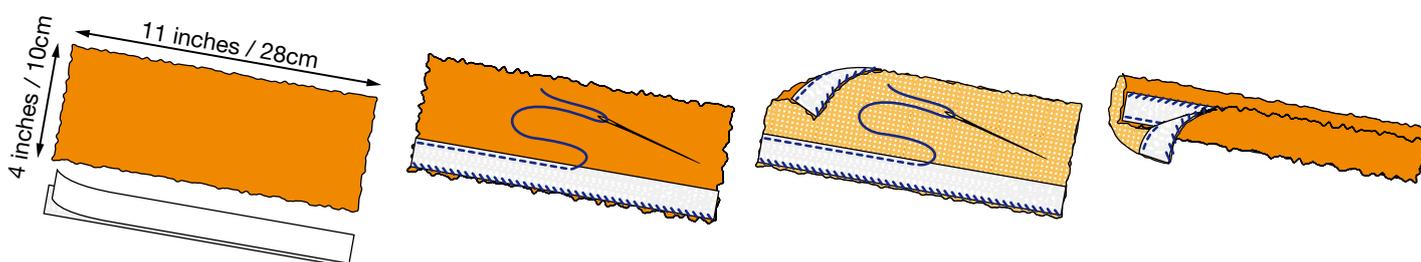
This donkey has visible sores on its nose caused by an ill-fitting noseband

Make nosebands protectors and help suffering donkeys and horses

It's very easy to make a noseband protector and it doesn't take long to do. You don't even have to be good at sewing to make one.

To make a noseband protector you need the following:

- Soft, thick fabric – ideally fun fur
- Sew-on Velcro
- Fabric scissors
- Thread
- Needle or sewing machine
- Ruler



1 Cut the fabric into a piece 11 inches (28.5cm) by 4 inches (10cm) and cut the Velcro into an 11 inch (28cm) length. This will make one noseband protector – repeat if you are making more.

2 Sew one Velcro strip onto the inside length of the fabric. Please sew on the Velcro as glue quickly deteriorates in the heat.

3 Turn the fabric over and sew the other Velcro strip onto the outside length of the fabric.

4 Roll the fabric into a tube by sticking the two Velcro strips together. The tube makes a cover that can easily be put on and taken off nosebands.

Now you have made your noseband protectors please send them, along with the form below to:

WSPA
Noseband Protectors
89 Albert Embankment
London, SE1 7TP

The noseband protectors will be sent to Zvika at Pegasus and Imad at the Palestine Wildlife Society to help ease the suffering of donkeys and horses in the Middle East.

Please do not send donations in the post with your noseband protectors. If you would like to make a donation please go to donate.wspa.org/noseband or call our Supporter Services team on 0800 316 9966 during office hours.



I want to help suffering donkeys and horses in the Middle East.

I have made **noseband protectors.**

Title: _____ First name: _____ Last name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

My supporter number is: _____

My email address is: _____

I am happy for WSPA to contact me by email

My telephone number is: _____

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