

Thumbelina, The World's Smallest Horse

- Thumbelina is a dwarf miniature horse.
- Thumbelina was born on May 1st, 2001 on Goose Creek Farms, a miniature horse farm near St. Louis, MO.
- Goose Creek Farms maintains a herd of about 40-50 miniature horses and is owned by Paul and Kay Goessling.
- At birth, Thumbelina stood about 11 inches tall and weighed about 8.5 lbs.
- Today, Thumbelina is a chestnut mare that stands 17 ½ inches tall and weighs 58 lbs.
- Thumbelina eats one cup of oats and a handful of hay in the breakfast and dinner.
- Thumbelina prefers to sleep in the dog house instead of her stall.
- Guinness World records certified Thumbelina as the "World's Smallest Living Horse" on July 7th, 2006.
- Guinness has since certified Thumbelina as the smallest horse in history since they can find no record of anyone ever claiming to have a horse smaller than 17 ½ inches tall.
- The Thumbelina Charitable Foundation was established on January 2nd, 2007.
- The Thumbelina Charitable Foundation was created to channel the world's affection for Thumbelina toward worthy children's charities and the missions for which they strive.
- The Thumbelina Children's Tour was launched on May 1st in Louisville, KY during Derby Week.
- The goal of the Children's Tour is for Thumbelina to visit sick and needy kids across the US and to raise \$1M for children's charities.
- The tour will run from May to November 2007.