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## HORSE PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHY

A good location for a horse portrait photography shoot can easily be overlooked so we decided to provide this location guide. The locations we list have good access, are suitable for horses and provide good backgrounds for photography. Some of these location provided options for different looks in the same location, we know what we like, but are also interested interested in what style of images you like and want.

This Horse Portrait Photography Locations Guide provides information in relation to some of the locations we have previously used for horse portrait photography and can recommend.

Each location has a description, together with a post code. We also provide maps of these locations that show paths and exact and meeting points prior to an arranged shoot.

As we update our location guides from time to time you will notice a issue date as to when the guide was last updated. We are willing to consider and travel to other locations within the Yorkshire, so please let us know if you have a specific location in mind.



Pompocali, Milner Ln, Wetherby, LS14 3AQ

Pompocali is a strange series of earth workings situated between Thorner and Bardsey near to Hetchell Woods, not far from the A58. This location is great for horse portraits with big sky's if that is the style you are looking for.

The banks of the earth workings form almost horse shoes type shapes with conical mounds and ridges that can provide some dramatic horse portraits. There are various marked bridleways that criss cross the area and the woodland area in the autumn provide additional backgrounds for horse portraits styles.



Skipwith Common: Way To Bomber Loops, Cornelius Causeway, Selby YO8 5DD

Skipwith Common is an excellent location for horse portrait photography providing a mixture of shoot locations from long tree lined avenues to open and shaded grass areas. You can also hack here with lots of options and loops.

Parking and access here is excellent for vehicles with horses. Plenty of different parking spots. This location really is worth the effort.



Parlington Lane, Aberford LS25 3EF.

Parlington Lane is the best loca<on for equine portraits that I have found which is close to Leeds and the images that can be created here are truly beau<ful.

There is roadside parking for a horsebox on Bunkers Hill / Main Street, you can reverse into the entrance of Parlington Lane to unload a horse.

The distance to the specific shoot loca<on I use is 800 meters from where you park. As you walk up Parlington Lane, you will pass a gatehouse on the leO and then a large



Highfields Old Tracks, Woodlands, Doncaster DN6 7JA

Highfields is a Country Park on the outskirts of Doncaster and there are a few wooded areas very close to the park that provide some great autumnal colours for horse portraits.

There are various access point and parking which I arrange prior to the equine shoot.



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Temple Newsam Trailway, Leeds, LS15 0AE

Within the grounds of Temple Newsam there is a rout called the Temple Newsam Trailway, this route can be used by riders and cyclists and provides a mixture of locations for horse portrait shoots from woodlands to open grass lands.



Old Barns & Dark Woodlands.

If you have access to old barns, stables or dark woodlands it is possible to create studio like conditions where it is possible to create truly amazing fine art horse portraits.

In the winter on overcast days it is possible to darken the ambient light in conifer woodlands and create images like this one. This images was taken in a shaded field with conifer trees behind the Ella and the horse near Castleford.



The Terry Lug, Thorner Road, Wetherby LS23 6LU

I discovered this location in 2021 whilst out walking. There is a wide bridleway running through mixed woodland which would be ideal for autumn horse portraits shoots (probably the best location close to the Leeds area) We did a shoot here in May 2022, but I think it's more suited to the autumn. There is good access and parking are for unloading and loading horses. The bridleway Leeds down toward Pompocali, providing an opportunity for a split location shoot with two very different looks.



The Lines Way Near Garforth, Brecks Lane LS25 7EG

The Lines Way is an old disused railway track that runs from Garforth to Allerton Bywater, it has many access points along it's route and is suitable for horses. The best location along the route for equine portraits are near Brecks Lane in Kippax.

To get to the shoot location park on Brecks lanes and walk down the dirt track Bridleway, which will take you to the Lines Way, it's roughly 400 meters from Brecks Lane to the Lines Way.



The Lines Way, Doctors Lane, Allerton Bywater WF10 2BJ

Roughly 800 meters from the Lines Way at the Allerton Bywater end is a small wooded area known as Owl Wood. This location is only really suitable in the autumn. However, there are various tracks that criss cross this area and that run next to the river Aire that provide other shoot location opportunities. I am always searching for new locations that are suitable for horse portraits and below are some locations I have used.

Clumber Park Area near Worksop Wandlebury Area near Cambridge Shouldham Woods near Kings Lynn Longston Old Railway Tracks near Leek Sands End Beach Whitby

Do you know of a great location? I would love to hear about them.

I will consider all locations know matter how far, just email me your ideas.

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