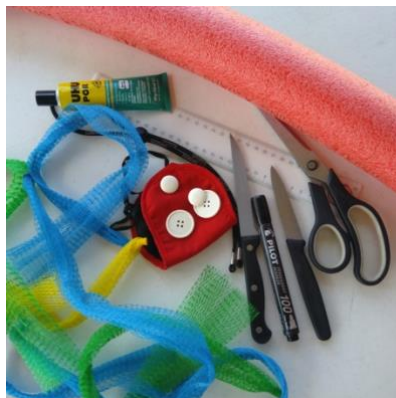


## DIY Pool Noodle Horse

NOTE: These materials will produce a drover's horse – but so will a lot of other things you have on hand. **Don't be afraid to improvise!**

### Materials:

- Head & Body – one pool noodle
- Reins – twine or ribbon
- Eyes – goggle eyes or buttons
- Ears – 2 colours of felt
- Mane – mesh bags, wool, felt...



### Tools:

- \* Craft glue
- \* Scissors
- \* Sharp knife
- \* Marker

### Procedure:

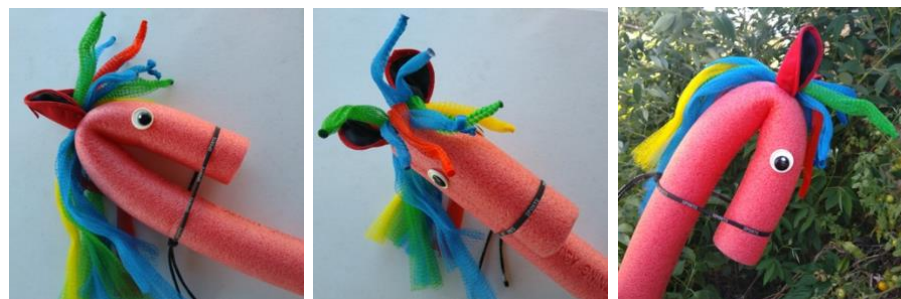
1. Make your horse head by bending 20-25cm of noodle back onto itself. Secure with twine or ribbon. Leave enough length to be the reins. I found a broken glasses strap with toggle that works perfectly for this – and is adjustable.
2. Make eyes. I recycled white buttons. I removed the shank and coloured one set with a permanent marker, then glued it onto the bigger white button. (I've also seen eyes drawn onto paper, then cut out and affixed.)



3. Cut felt ears in a triangular shape, approximately 7cm in length and 5cm at the base. Cut a smaller, contrasting triangular shape for the inner ear. I cheated with an airline sleep mask because I had no red felt. Bunch the bottom, then cut a small slit in the foam. Insert ears and glue in place.



4. Secure mane either by cutting a slit in the pool noodle, or by gluing. Be sure a small segment hangs forward as a fringe. I used recycled F&V bags. Others recommend gift-wrap coils, felt, fabric. There is no 'right' material to choose!



5. Let's go droving!

You can be ...

the **drover** leaning **over**,  
in the **saddle** watching **cattle**,  
as the **horse** sets the **course** ...

