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Unicorns live forever unless they are killed. They can be black or brown or other colors, not only white.



The horn of a unicorn is called an alicorn and it was believed to hold magical and medicinal properties.



In medieval and Renaissance times, the tusk of a narwhal was sometimes sold as unicorn horn



The unicorn was traditionally thought to be the natural enemy of the lion.

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Unicorns are proud, untameable, and difficult to capture or conquer. It was once thought that to avoid capture a unicorn would jump off a high cliff and twist in the air so that it landed on its horn, whose magical powers would save it from death



The national animal of Scotland is the unicorn. The British Coat of Arms features a unicorn to represent Scotland, and a lion to represent England



The Venetian explorer, Marco Polo (in the late 1200s), thought the rhinoceros was a unicorn



National Unicorn Day is on April 9th each year.

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