

TIDYING UP YOUR BGV'S FEET

Like the rest of your BGV's coat, the hair around the feet grows and therefore needs regular attention ... as does the underside of each foot.

What you need

- * Comb
- * Stripping knife
- * Serrated scissors
- * Sharp scissors

There is more than one method of grooming around the feet. To keep your BGV's feet tidy, and ensure there are no problems, the following is a simple way to give you the confidence to do the job yourself.

First of all gently comb out any tangles or knots around the feet.

Then, using sharp scissors, cut away any excess hair from between the pads under the foot.



At the same time, feel between the toes and pads – check for matted hair, lumps of mud, other debris or thorns. If you find any, gently tease out.

Most importantly, check for grass seeds. In mid-late summer, these can stick in the BGV's coat and gradually burrow into the skin. Unless removed early, you will need to visit a vet.



Next, use a stripping knife to thin out the hair around, and at the edges of, the foot. Or use serrated scissors to give much the same effect, leaving a neat but naturally rough edge.



By trimming the hair around the foot from underneath, this gives a more natural look. Then, with the serrated scissors, all you need to do is tidy up any few longer hairs.



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