1. Farmhouse: Originally, this farmhouse served as the Warden's house for the Maine State Correctional facility. The site was purchased in 1974.

2. Round pen: This space is used for daily activity for a variety of Society horses.

3. Large paddock: Each horse receives outside turn out daily, depending on the weather. You can see up to five residents in these paddocks.

4. Large Barn: The majority of the Society horses reside in the Large Barn. Information, as well as pictures, can be found on each stall.

5. Manure Pit: Constructed in 2016 in conjunction with the US Department of Agriculture, this manure pit holds upwards of 180,000 pounds or three months worth of horse excrement.

6. Back paddock: Each horse receives outside turn out daily, depending on the weather. You can see up to five residents in these paddocks.

7. Little Barn: Original to the property, the little barn has been home to many horses. As it utilizes an old style of stalls, called dead end stalls, it will soon be transitioned to storage space.

8. Stallion Paddock: Named for the high sides, this paddock rotates depending on farm need. Most recently, The Little Women, the aptly named herd of miniature donkeys, could be seen here.

9. Hay Fields: The property consists of 124 acres, of which roughly 80 acres is hayed to feed the Society residents. From here, you can also see Ketty Pond, named after the modern founder, Lawrence J. Keddy.

10. Quarantine Stalls: These stalls can be used to quarantine new arrivals for 28 days before introduction to the herd. This ensures MSSPA horses stay free of new diseases.
HORSE FACTS

An adult horse’s brain weights 22 oz, about half that of a human.

Horses can not vomit.

Horses drink at least 25 gallons of water a day.

Horses teeth never stop growing.

The gestation period for a mare is 11 months; for a female donkey, it is 12 months.

Horses have a great long term memory.

Domestic horses have a lifespan of around 25 years.

The oldest horse on record lived to the age of 62 and died in 1822.

The best way to determine the age of a horse is by examining its teeth.

Horses are social animals and will get lonely if kept alone.

Arabian horses have one fewer vertebrae and one less rib than other breeds.

When cantering, a horse takes a breath with every stride.

Horses will mourn the passing of a companion.

Horses can sleep both lying down and standing up.

A baby horse, which is called a foal, can run shortly after birth.

Horses are herbivores (plant eaters).

Horses have bigger eyes than any other mammal that lives on land.

A male horse is called a stallion.

A female horse is called a mare.

A sterilized male horse is called a gelding.

Horses are measured using one of two units: hands or centimeters. Hands, a traditional British way of measuring horses that’s still used in the United States, are units composed of four inches.