

# Roundworms



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# What are Roundworms?

These large, white worms in their adult form are sometimes passed in horse's manure (often just after deworming) and are noticed because of their size and stark color. Adult Roundworms are the largest parasite that infects horses.

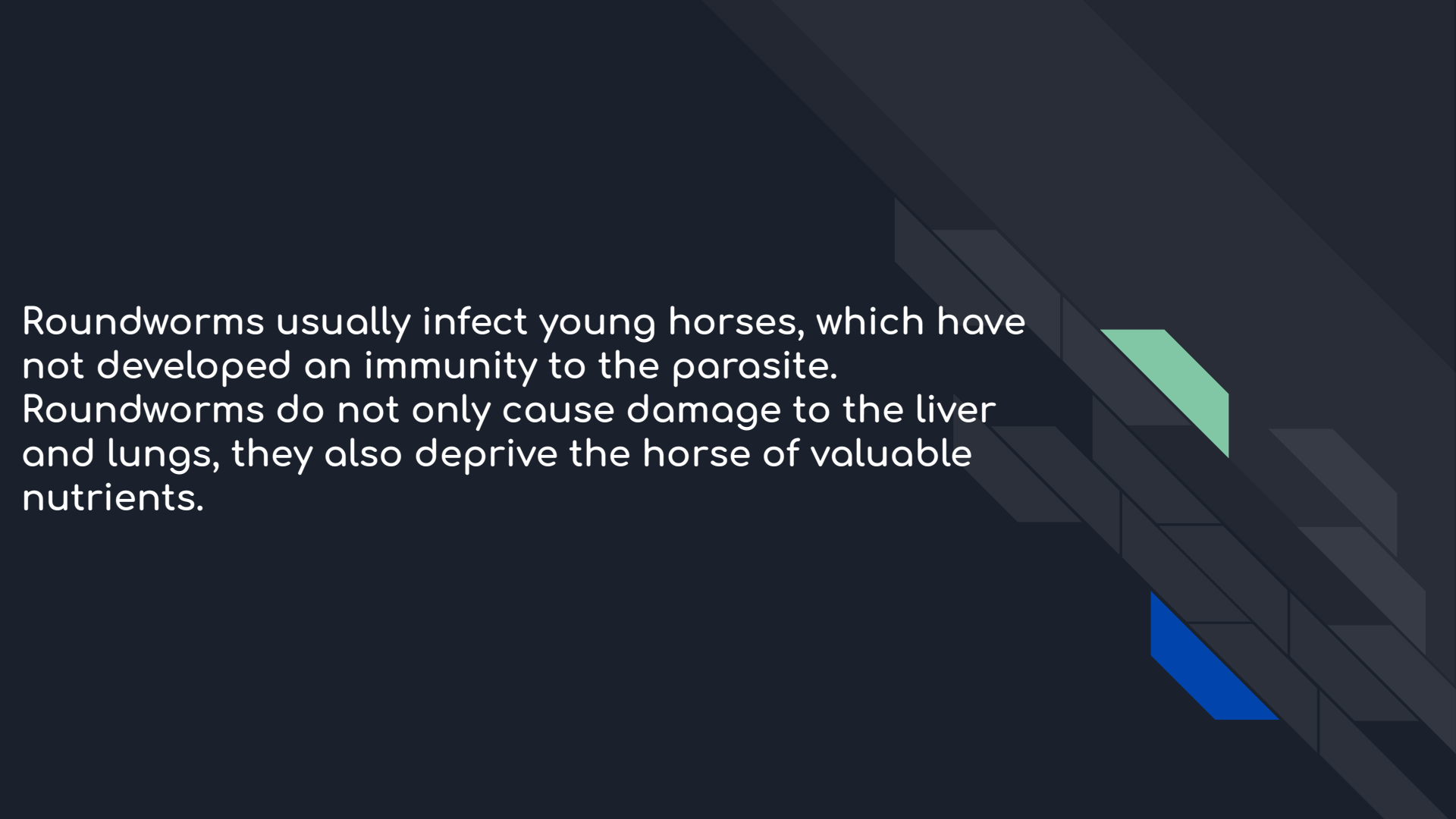


## How can your horse get them?

If your horse eats contaminated hay, or drinks water with roundworm eggs in it. Also if a horse forages in a pasture where manure has roundworms, then your horse could possibly get roundworm.

The equine roundworm can only infect other horses and donkeys, it can't infect other species of animals or humans.





Roundworms usually infect young horses, which have not developed an immunity to the parasite. Roundworms do not only cause damage to the liver and lungs, they also deprive the horse of valuable nutrients.



# How can you get rid of them?

## Deworming

After you deworm your horse it should kill the parasite and then leave the horse.