

# 10,000 people in Switzerland predisposed to zoophilia, cases of humans having sex with horses on the rise

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A reveller tries to hold on to a wild horse during the "Rapa Das Bestas" traditional event in the Spanish northwestern village of Sabucedo July 7, 2012. On the first weekend of the month of July, hundreds of wild horses are rounded up, trimmed and groomed in different villages in the Spanish northwestern region of Galicia. Reuters/Miguel Vidal

Switzerland has an unusual love affair with horses. The equestrian preference is not surprising since the country has a horse population of about 110,000 spread across 18,000 Swiss farms.

Unfortunately, it is not just love for horse races only. Animal rights group Tier im Recht, in a report released this week, says that in 2014, there were 1,709 incidents of animal abuse in Switzerland, up from 1,542 in 2013.

The horse (<http://nypost.com/2015/11/27/people-having-sex-with-horses-is-on-the-rise-in-switzerland>) is the favourite animal that Swiss perverts like a romp with. According to a New York Post report, 10 percent of horse maltreatment cases in Switzerland involve people having sex with horses. And it could just be the tip of the iceberg.

The number of horse sexual abuse cases that are not reported to authorities could be higher, Tier im Recht believes. According to the 20 Minuten newspaper, which cites experts, about 10,000 people in the country are predisposed to zoophilia.

Tier im Recht made a comprehensive analysis of the [Swiss Animal Protection Criminal Practice 2014](https://translate.google.com.ph/translate?hl=en&sl=de&u=http://www.tierimrecht.org/&prev=search) (<https://translate.google.com.ph/translate?hl=en&sl=de&u=http://www.tierimrecht.org/&prev=search>) in a press conference. It points out that the number of animal abuse cases more than tripled in the past 10 year and was five times larger compared to 15 years ago.

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