



Mercedes

Mercedes is the beautiful tri-color pinto mare that graces Placitas Wild Horse tee-shirts and calendars. She was born May 6, 2006 and comes by her good looks naturally. Her mother is Lilly and her father is Don Juan. She is shy, but so photogenic that people are always taking her picture.

She was the tiny foal often seen with her family lying near the fence along the frontage road while her family drank from troughs placed there by the public during the 2006 summer drought. Once that summer she had half the neighborhood racing down to the frontage road because she had slipped under the fence while sleeping and was wondering along the fence on the wrong side chasing after her frantic mom. We gently pushed her under the fence and they were safely reunited. For a time we used to see tiny Mercedes and her mom Lilly negotiating their way between the huge moving gravel trucks at Lafarge gravel pit going for water. All the trucks would stop for her and mom to pass; she was a Lafarge favorite.

Mercedes has had some beautiful pinto youngsters and still runs free on the San Felipe Pueblo Preserve after having been captured by AL Baca on his mine and ransomed by the community from a killer buyer in 2014.