

Khacchad:Mule

In Nepal mules are vital to the economy, making a huge contribution to people's lives and livelihoods. Mules are a cross between a male donkey and a female horse, and in Nepal they have an amazing story to tell. Bred near Delhi in India, they are sold at the huge Barabanki Equine Fair and walked for three days into Nepal. In Nepal they work in huge industrial brick factories and as pack animals portering goods into the high Himalays. Michael Brown spent a year filming a documentary, travelling with the mules and making relationships with the diverse people involved. His filming has been used to affect government policy in Nepal to protect working equines, and to develop better veterinary support programmes. Running Time 82 minutes. Funded by Screen NI, The Donkey Sanctuary UK and Crowd-funding.

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