

Names of Cowboys



Bronco buster - A cowboy who breaks broncos to the saddle.

Buckaroo - local name for a cowboy and is used especially in California. The buckaroo usually stayed on the same ranch where he was born or had grown up and raised his own family there.

Cowboy - A hired man, especially in the western United States, who tends cattle and performs many of his duties on horseback.

Cowhand - A cowboy or cowgirl.

Cow man - A man who raises (or tends) cattle.

Cowpoke - A hired hand who tends cattle and performs other duties on horseback.

Cowpuncher - A hired hand who tends cattle and performs other duties on horseback.

Drover - One who drives cattle or sheep to market; one who makes it his business to purchase cattle, and drive them to market.

Herder - One who tends or drives a herd.

Horseman - A man who rides a horse and raises horses.

Puncher - A hired hand who tends cattle and performs other duties on horseback.

Vaquero [Spanish, from vaca, *cow*, from Latin vacca.] - One who has charge of cattle, horses, etc.; a herdsman, 'vaquero' is used especially in southwestern and central Texas to mean a ranch hand or cowboy. The Texas vaquero was typically a bachelor who hired on with different outfits.

Waddy - A cattle rustler.

Wrangler - A cowboy or cowgirl, especially one who tends saddle horses.

