


The Scorpio Races Glossary of Terms

Ch.	Term	Part of Speech	Definition	Notes
P	<i>capaill uisce</i> (<i>copple ish-ka</i>)	n	a legendary, dangerous Celtic water horse that lives in the sea	
	diminutive	adj	extremely or unusually small	
	wiry	adj	lean in appearance	
	ceaselessly	adv	continuously	
1	dun	adj	of a dull grayish-brown color	
	crag	n	a steep or rugged cliff or rock face.	
	scopey	adj	capable of performing jumps in a stylish and skillful manner	
	stodgy	adj	dull and uninspired	
	docile	adj	ready to accept control or instruction; submissive	
	piebald	adj	Having irregular patches of 2 colors, usually black and white	
2	rivulet	n	a very small stream	
	incompetent	adj	not having or showing the necessary skills to do something successfully	
	affably	adv	in a friendly or easy way	
	etymology	n	The origin or reason for	

	livelihood	n	a means of securing the necessities of life	
	compromising	v	bring into disrepute or danger by indiscreet, foolish, or reckless behavior	
	despise	v	Feeling contempt toward; dislike	
3	virtuous	adj	having or showing high moral standards	
	eviscerated	v	insides removed	
	void	n	a completely empty space	
	blase´	adj	unconcerned	
4	gingerly	adv	carefully	
	taut	adj	tight	
	plaintively	adv	In a sad or mournful way	
	poll	n	The poll is a name of the part of an animal's head, alternatively referencing a point immediately behind or right between the ears.	
	maimed	v	wound or injure (someone) so that part of the body is permanently damaged.:	
	tenuous	adj	weak	
5	chafe	v	(of something restrictive or too tight) make (a part of the body) sore by rubbing against it.	
	cross	adj	annoyed	

6	cormorants	n	a large diving bird that typically breeds on coastal cliffs and is noted for its voracious appetite.	
	sinuous	adj	having many curves and turns.	
7	bowler hats	n	a man's hard felt hat with a round dome-shaped crown.	
	monger horsemonger	n	a dealer or trader in a specified commodity.: "fishmonger" "cheesemonger"	
8	quarry	n	An animal pursued as prey	
9	eddying	v	move in a circular way	
	wary	adj	cautious	
10	quay	n	a concrete, stone, or metal platform lying alongside or projecting into water for loading and unloading ships.	
11	teind	n	In Scotland a teind was a tithe derived from the produce of the land for the maintenance of the clergy. It	

			is also an old lowland term for a tribute due to be paid by the fairies to the devil every seven years. ... Teind is a Scots word for tithe, meaning a tenth part.	
12	Kerfuffle	n	a commotion or fuss, especially one caused by conflicting views.: "there was a kerfuffle over the chairmanship".	
12	marrow	n	a white-fleshed green-skinned gourd, which is eaten as a vegetable.	
13	benevolent	adj	well meaning and kindly.:	
13	conciliatory	adj	intended or likely to placate or pacify.: "a conciliatory approach	
14	emaciated	adj	abnormally thin or weak, especially because of illness or a lack of food.: "she was so emaciated she could hardly stand".	
14	dismissively	adv	1. in a manner that suggests that something or someone is unworthy of consideration.: "he was treated dismissively and mocked publicly" "Elizabeth shrugged dismissively".	
14	utilitarian	adj	designed to be useful or practical rather than attractive.	
15	haunches	n	a buttock and thigh considered together, in a human or animal.	
15	widdershins	adv	in a direction contrary to the sun's course, considered as unlucky; counterclockwise.	
16	Hands (In reference to a	n	a unit of measurement of a horse's height, equal to 4 inches (10.16 cm).	

	horse's height			
17	disquieted	n	worried or anxious.	
20	canny	adj	having or showing shrewdness and good judgment, especially in money or business matters.: "canny shoppers came early for a bargain".	
21	grudgingly	adv	in a reluctant or resentful manner.: "I grudgingly accepted his apology".	
21	illicitly	adv	not legally permitted or authorized; unlicensed; unlawful.	
22	abridged	v	shorten (a book, movie, speech, or other text) without losing the sense.	
23	formidable	adj	inspiring fear or respect through being impressively large, powerful, intense, or capable.:	
23	lozenges	N (PL)	a rhombus or diamond shape medicine that coats the throat	
23	anemones	n	short for sea anemone.	
24	Claustrophobic	n	suffering from claustrophobia. Tight spaces	
24	inexplicable	adj	unable to be explained or accounted for.:	
25	skitters	v	move lightly and quickly or hurriedly.:	
25	repugnant	adj	extremely distasteful; unacceptable.	
25	tether	v	To tie (an animal) with a rope or chain, so as to restrict movement.	
26	pommel	n	the upward curving or projecting part of a saddle in front of the rider.	
26	rucksack	n	a bag with shoulder straps that allow it to be carried on someone's back, typically made of a strong, waterproof material and widely used	

			by hikers; a backpack	
26	epiphany	n	the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi (a member of a priestly caste of ancient Persia).(Matthew 2:1-12); realization of something profound	
28	illicit	adj	forbidden by law, rules, or custom.	
28	guillemots	n	a black-breasted auk (seabird) with a narrow pointed bill,	
29	Jovial	adj	cheerful and friendly.: "she was in a jovial mood"	
29	dimissive	adj	feeling or showing that something is unworthy of consideration.	
30	equine	n	a horse or other member of the horse family.	
30	glints	n	a small flash of light, especially as reflected from a shiny surface.: "the glint of gold in his teeth".	
30	Skata	n	A local name for a magpie. Someone who never stops talking	
31	mythical	adj	occurring in or characteristic of myths or folk tales.: "one of Denmark's greatest mythical heroes"	
32	disdain	n	the feeling that someone or something is unworthy of one's consideration or respect;	
32	doleful	adj	expressing sorrow; mournful	
32	aghast	adj	filled with horror or shock	
32	predatory	adj	relating to or denoting an animal or animals preying naturally on others.	
32	sequestered	v	relating to or denoting an animal or animals preying naturally on others.	

32	incredulous	adj	of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something.	
33	perilous	adj	full of danger or risk.: "a perilous journey south".	
33	tumultuous	adj	making a loud, confused noise; uproarious.: "tumultuous applause".	
33	anemones	n	short for sea anemone. Sea creatures	
33	withering	adj	intended to make someone feel mortified or humiliated.: "a withering look".	
33	invaluable	adj	Extremely useful; priceless	
34	homilies	n	a religious discourse that is intended primarily for spiritual edification rather than doctrinal instruction; a sermon.	
34	epiphanies	n	the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles as represented by the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12).	
36	skittering	v	draw (bait) jerkily across the surface of the water as a technique in fishing	
36	pensive	adj	engaged in, involving, or reflecting deep or serious thought.: "a pensive mood	
37	nostalgia	n	a sentimental longing or wistful affection for the past, typically for a period or place with happy personal associations.: "I was overcome with acute nostalgia for my days in college".	
37	mutilating	v	inflict a violent and disfiguring injury on.: "the leg was badly mutilated" "mutilated bodies".	

37	Lean-to	n	a building sharing one wall with a larger building, and having a roof that leans against that wall.: "a lean-to garage".	
38	Students found their own)			
39	beleaguered	verb	Surrounded; under attack	
	havoc	n	Widespread damage or destruction	
	keen	v	wail	
40	nefarious	adv	Wicked; criminal	
	discomfiting	v	Uneasy or embarrassing (same as discom forting)	
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42	rueful	adj	Expressing sorrow or regret; apologetic	
	vice	noun	immoral or wicked behavior;	
	complicit	adj	involved with others in an illegal activity or wrongdoing.	
	impales	v	Pierce with a sharp object	
	withers	n	Area between a horse's shoulder blades	
43	Confess		Students complete these	
	Confession			
	confessional			
	penitent			
	pews			

	ascribing			
	riteous			
	cunning			
	prodigal			
	martyred			
	ethereal			
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45	ogling	v	stare at in a lecherous manner.:	
	formidable	ad	Intimidating; awesome	
	incredulous	adj	disbelieving	
46	uncompromising	adj	showing an unwillingness to make concessions to others, especially by changing one's ways or opinions.	
48	gelding	n	Male horse unable to breed; usually a donkey or mule; tame	
	mercy	n	Compassion or kindness	
49	jilted	v	suddenly rejected or abandoned (a lover).	
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58	prognostication			

59	fifths	n	Clever horse	
	skirmishes	n	Episode of fighting	
	"the establishment"	n	What doesn't typically change	
	berth	n	The space around something	
	hooting	v	Sounds of merriment	
	seething	v	Boiling over	
60	tantalizingly	adv	Torment or tease	
	biddies	n	An annoying elderly woman	
61	discordant	adj	disagreeing	
	baubles	n	Small decorations or trinkets	
	trinkets	n		
	breastplate	n	Armor covering a horse's chest	
	crupper	n	Strap buckles from saddle to tail	
	furlong	n	$\frac{1}{8}$ mile; ancient way of measuring distance	
62	tempestuous	n	Turbulent or conflicting	
64	pragmatic	adj		
	furrow	n		
65	depthless	adj		

