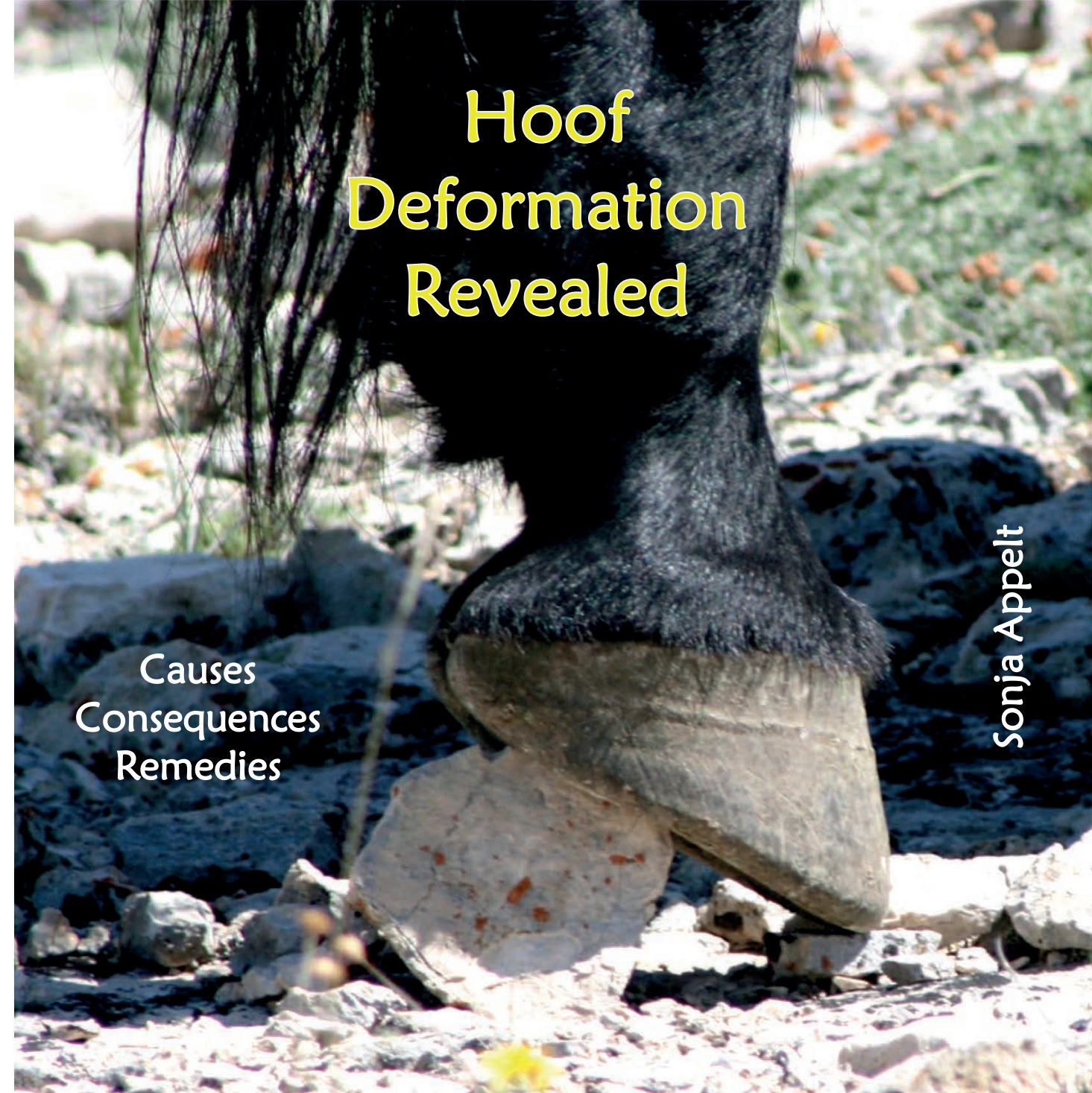




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Hind hooves of
a feral stallion
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Hoof Deformation Revealed

Causes
Consequences
Remedies

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About the author:

Sonja Appelt (*28.03.1969 in Munich) has studied mechanical engineering at the Technical University in Munich, Germany. Then she worked 14 years for a mining company.

After surgery for a disc prolapse, a doctor recommended horseback riding for stronger back muscles.

So she bought a young quarter horse, but he was soon diagnosed with navicular disease. As the traditional orthopedic shoeing didn't work, she discovered alternative hoofcare solutions. But there were no farriers around that knew these approaches, so she completed several hoof educations herself, quit her job and started to work as hoofcare provider.

Today, the company Wild Horse KG, founded together with her husband in 2005, is producing special mineral mixes and hoof supplements, selling hoof boots and glue-on shoes and running hoof seminars for horse owners.

Sonja is also head of hoofcare education at the Österreichische Hufschule (Austrian Hoof School) and of course out there with her head under the horse (almost) every day.

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