

mule

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[mju:l] *n*

1. *зоол.* мул (*equus mulus*)
2. *разг.* упрямец, упрямый осёл
3. *текст.* мюль-машина
4. *тех.* толкач; тягач

◇ as obstinate /stubborn/ as a mule - упрямый как осёл

II

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домашняя туфля без задника, бабуша

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mule [mule mules] *BrE* [mju:l] ^m *NAmE* [mju:l] ^m **noun**



1. an animal that has a horse and a [↑]donkey as parents, used especially for carrying loads
 - He's as **stubborn as a mule** .
2. (*slang*) a person who is paid to take drugs illegally from one country to another
 - The authorities believe these men are important figures in the drug trade, not merely mules.
3. a [↑]slipper (= a soft shoe for wearing indoors) that is open around the heel

Word Origin:

senses 1 to 2 Old English mūl Germanic Latin **mulus mula** Middle English Old French **mule**
sense 3 mid 16th cent. French

Example Bank:

- a man on a mule

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mule /mju:l/ *BrE* ^m *AmE* ^m **noun** [countable]

[**Sense 1-2**: **Date**: 1200-1300; **Language**: Old French; **Origin**: mul, from Latin mulus]
 [**Sense 3**: **Date**: 1500-1600; **Language**: French; **Origin**: Latin mulleus type of red shoe worn by certain officials]

1. an animal that has a [↑]donkey and a horse as parents ⇒ **stubborn as a mule** at [↑]stubborn(1)
2. *informal* someone who brings illegal drugs into a country by hiding them on or in their body
3. [**usually plural**] a woman's shoe or [↑]slipper that covers the front part of the foot but has no material around the heel

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