

**Uses of Domesticated Donkeys
Evidence from Old Kingdom Tomb scenes**

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The aim of this paper is to examine the iconography of donkeys in Old Kingdom scenes executed in private tombs, and how the ancient Egyptians utilized them in their farming community. Three categories of donkey usages can be specified: i) Donkeys carrying loads; ii) Donkeys threshing grain; and iii) Donkeys carrying officials. The paper ends with a discussion seeking to evaluate the relationship between people and donkeys.