



Seahorse Dads Do It All

Male gets pregnant
Gives birth too!
Female eggs
Curly tail receiver,
Nurturing embryo pouch
Nutrients
Oxygen
Genetic instructions,
Just like mammals.

Abundant isotocin
(Love/birthing hormone)
Full moon
Marine nutrients
Copious small animals,
In concert,
Contraction
Large skeletal muscle
Opens pouch
Facilitating
Delivery,
Hundreds of babies,
Dad raises
Protects them.

Father woos mother
Sea grass frolicking meadows,
Timelessly
Tangoing,
Ooh là là!
Splendiferous seahorses.

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