Details relating to this original work of art:

1. This original Painted Pony stands 5 feet tall and is 7 feet long
2. Cast in poly-resin
3. Crazy Horse weighs approximately 150 pounds
4. Secured on a wooden base covered with faux-suede with wheels for easy mobility
5. Hand-painted in oil by world-renowned artist CJ Wells
6. Sealed with a clear durable sealer
7. The Crazy Horse figurine is currently one of the top-selling Trail of Painted Ponies collectible figurines
8. Crazy Horse is featured in the best-selling Trail of Painted Ponies Anniversary Edition Book

Appraised at: $40,000.
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Crazy Horse was a visionary Lakota leader who was dedicated to preserving the traditions and values of his people. He was a legendary warrior who fought to protect the Lakota and their way of life. The master painter, CJ Wells, has portrayed Crazy Horse as a simple yet powerful chief, with his long flowing robes of red, that offer protection. His piercing brown eyes are framed by a strong face and hair that falls freely past his shoulders. Eagle feathers dance across this Painted Pony, symbolizing honors earned in over a quarter century of battles. Hail dots the tail, which is a powerful symbol of strength.

Crazy Horse was told in a vision never to wear a headdress or tie his horses tail when he went into battle, which was the custom. Finally defeated, he was the last important chief to surrender in 1877. This work of art is made more spectacular since Crazy Horse never allowed himself to be photographed.
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Crazy Horse Figurine
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History books describe Crazy Horse as a respected war leader who fought against the U.S. government in an effort to preserve the traditions and values of the Lakota way of life. He was that and much more. As a young man he had a vivid dream of a horseback rider, with lightning zig-zagging down his cheek and a turquoise earring in one ear, who looked up to see a red-backed hawk fly overhead. When he related the dream to his medicine man father, Crazy Horse was told he would achieve future greatness in battle. A lifetime of victories on the battlefield followed, culminating with his triumph over George Armstrong Custer at the Little Bighorn.

No photographs of Crazy Horse exist, but with this warrior herself, has given him a high-voltage interpretation.

Artist: CJ Wells
Item: #12264
Standing Resin Native Pony
Available As:
6" Figurine

Dreamwalker
Drawing on his Cherokee heritage, this Arizona artist, whose large, spiritually powerful portraits of Native American warriors are coveted by museums, has created a visual interpretation of the traditional tale of the “Dreamwalker.” It is a story about a medicine man who is told in a vision that “the discovery of power will come through the ways of animals.” Shortly thereafter he sets out on a trek across the Great Plains, to the east, where illumination lives. He carries a pipe with him. He has many encounters. He draws on the powers of a medicine wheel. Near the end of his journey he is greeted by a white stallion who tells him the secret of “true power” is compassion, caring and sharing one’s gift with others.

Finalist: Native Art of Horse Painting Competition

Artist: Ben Wright (Cherokee)
Item: #12263
Walking Resin Native Pony
Available As:
7" Figurine

Prairie Horizon
This fine artist from Colorado has a long fascination with the history and lore of the Nez Perce Indians - expert horsemen with a sophisticated knowledge of breeding who are credited with developing the Appaloosa. Using a distinctive artistic style that combines bold colors with geometric shapes, circles, triangles and arrows that connect his design to the title – a horizon line encircles the horse, grass and trees, canyons and rivers are rendered in an abstract way - he breathes new life and excitement into his stylized interpretation of a breed of horse known for its unique color and variety of spots.

Finalist: Native Art of Horse Painting Competition

Artist: Bob Coonts
Item: #12261
Walking Ceramic Native Pony
Available As:
7" Figurine

The Trail Gallery
The Trail of Painted Ponies occupies an honorable position in the collectible world by virtue of the fact that all of its figurines begin as original, one-of-a-kind, works of art. Many are currently on exhibit in museums, others have become part of corporate collections, or have been purchased by private collectors. We are proud to feature Original Painted Ponies by some of the best established and emerging artists in the world and they are available for collectors to purchase. To see all of the original Painted Ponies that are currently available, please visit our website: www.trailofpaintedponies.com

Ceremonial Pony
Cathy Smith
Original Life-size

Crazy Horse
CJ Wells
Original Life-size

Prairie Horizon - CJ Wells, Item: #12263
Dreamwalker - Ben Wright (Cherokee), Item: #12263
Pony Expressionism Exhibition
Museum of the Horse
Kentucky Horse Park
CJ Wells is a distinguished painter of Native American portraits. These powerful works of art capture the spirits of warriors from another time and place and are carefully researched and meticulously rendered. Each detail, from the buttons on the military style jackets to the beadwork, feathers, fur and leather, is exquisite.

CJ’s paintings are in some of the finest museum and private collections in the world including Robert Redford and Sylvester Stallone. Crazy Horse, her Life-size Painted Pony was recently featured at The Gallery at The Four Seasons Resort, Scottsdale and The Museum of the Horse at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky.
Paintings by CJ Wells

Wolf Stands In Snow
CJ Wells
La Peregrina Frieda
CJ Wells
Paintings by CJ Wells

Medicine Horse
CJ Wells