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# The Art Of Drawing & Painting Horses: Capture The Majesty Of Horses And Ponies In Pencil, Oil, Acrylic, Watercolor & Pastel (Collector's Series)





## Synopsis

For thousands of years, artists in cultures across the globe have been captivated by the grace and beauty of the horse, making it the subject of countless works of art. Now anyone can learn to capture the mysterious and powerful nature of this beloved animal by following the clear, easy-to-follow step-by-step instructions in this book. Whether an aspiring artist wants to draw or paint with oil, acrylic, pastel, or watercolor, this book contains all the information they need to get started. Materials and techniques specific to each of the five media in this 144-page book are clearly outlined and discussed before they are put to use in projects that any horse lover will enjoy. Beginning artists will learn all about the anatomy of the horse, features unique to different horse breeds, how to render lifelike horses in poses ranging from grazing to galloping, and much more.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

I'm giving this book three stars, because: 1. The book is very well organized. Images with instructions. 2. It has good content. From sketching, drawing to coloring in either with colored pencils, oil, acrylics, or pastel. This book is very comprehensive. 3. I'm only giving this book three stars, because I don't think the author is that good at drawing and oil painting. His pastel drawings are superb, and I think he actually has a desperate book dedicated to pastel drawing only. I would recommend getting that one. His drawing of horses are ok. Since with animals, we have to draw from photos. It's probably that he didn't have great photos for that particular demo. however, his application of oil is really stiff, and color choices are not lively. They just don't appear to be finished.

Since he paints in such a representational realistic style, I'd expect that he renders the horses to the fullest. Half-rendered paintings give me a feeling of not done.

Excellent Book to hone your skills but not for the beginner, would work for advanced beginner and it tutors you through different mediums. I am a graphic artist and watercolour and coloured pencil, usually you have to buy different books for each but this one covers everything including pastel and oil

This is a great book, not only for beginners in drawing artistic but also for experts. Teaches you everything about how to paint these magnificent animals: horses.

As I develop my hobby of oil painting into a more practical effort, the need for an understanding of the techniques used in different mediums has become vital. If you are looking for a "How To" type reference book on the subject of horse's here it is. You get everything the title states and more, the fun of painting and drawing!

This is a good, solid instructional book and like all art books itâ <sup>™</sup>s merely a guide, not a replacement for an individualâ <sup>™</sup>s artistic initiative. However I do think that the book could have benefited from a little more explanation; I think that half the projects with double the instructions might have been preferable. My bigger complaint revolves around the pathetically short section on painting horses in oil. Itâ <sup>™</sup>s like they only added it so they could mark it off a checklist and as a consequence it offers nothing of real value. Regardless, this is a pretty good book for intermediate-level artists.

My middle school daughter loves horses and drawing. She wanted to get better at drawing horses. We bought some early elementary books when she was younger, but she wanted to add movement and detail. This hit the mark. She loves it!

The book was more than I'd expected it to be and done very well, full color illustrations were excellent. However, I can only give it 4 stars, would have been 3.5 had that been possible since the section on acrylics was so limited as to the expansive and diverse capabilities of acrylics. Would recommend this book to anyone interested in developing their knowledge of drawing and painting horses as a starter and grow from there. If you're really into expanding your acrylic painting

capabilities, I'd suggest checking out David Kitler's, Reliable Results in Acrylics and then his Painting Natures Textures, for more in depth examples regarding techniques to of just what can be accomplished in creating stunning works of art in the animal world (both are DVD only). For another great book on Acrylics "Acrylics for Dummies" ... great color renderings and expert advice on techniques....nothing Dummy about it !

This is a great book for details for drawing and painting horses. Shows how to draw eyes, hooves, legs, etc. Very enjoyable book.

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