

### HYDAWAY'S APACHE JAZ

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Hydaway's Apache Jaz was a Half-Arabian, Appaloosa, Colorado Ranger Bred. He was purchased solely to be used as a Distance Horse, from John L. Baker, Hickory, PA. He began his distance career as a four-year-old, completing 250 miles his first season, placing on six of the ten rides he was entered in, and earning the Colorado Ranger Horse Association's four-year-old Distance Horse of the Year Award. A cracked coffin bone kept him from competing in 1982, but in 1983, he completed 125 miles, placing in every ride entered and earning High Scoring Horse of the Hoofbeat Ridge Ride.

His lameness problems behind him, Jaz was campaigned heavily in 1985. He earned a top standing in the UMECRA Heavyweight Top Ten, and his Bronze Medallion from the Appaloosa Horse Club. In 1985, Jaz was well on his way to another successful season. He was placing on every ride he was entered, and in June, earned the Half-Arabian Grand Championship at the I.A.H.A. Region 11 Championship Ride in Cascade, Iowa, as well as First Heavyweight horse and High Scoring Horse of the ride. A few months later, Hydaway's Apache Jaz died in his stall, the victim of a ruptured intestine. Jaz was awarded his **UMECRA 1000 Mile Award** post-humously, at the 1985 UMECRA convention.

