

INDIAN SYMBOLS

AND THEIR MEANINGS



HORSE
Journey



MAN
Human Life



SUN RAYS
Constancy



LASSO
Captivity



THUNDERBIRD
Sacred Bearer of Happiness Unlimited



CROSSED ARROWS
Friendship



ARROW
Protection



ARROWHEAD
Alertness



4 AGES
Infancy, Youth, Middle and Old Age



CACTUS
Sign of the Desert



GILA MONSTER
Sign of the Desert



CACTUS FLOWER
Courtship



SADDLE BAGS
Journey



BIRD
Carefree — Lighthearted



LIGHTNING SNAKE



SNAKE
Defiance, Wisdom



THUNDERBIRD TRACK
Bright Prospects



DEER TRACK
Plenty Game



BEAR TRACK
Good Omen



RATTLESNAKE JAW
Strength



HEADDRESS
Ceremonial Dance



BUTTERFLY
Everlasting Life



COYOTE TRACKS



RAIN CLOUDS
Good Prospects



**LIGHTNING AND
LIGHTNING ARROW**
Swiftness



DAYS AND NIGHTS
Time



MORNING STARS
Guidance



SUN SYMBOLS
Happiness



RUNNING WATER
Constant Life



RAINDROP — RAIN
Plentiful Crops



TEPEE
Temporary Home



SKY BAND
Leading to Happiness



MEDICINE MAN'S EYE
Wise, Watchful



MOUNTAIN RANGE



HOGAN
Permanent Home



BIG MOUNTAIN
Abundance



HOUSE OF WATER



FENCE
Guarding Good Luck



ENCLOSURE FOR CEREMONIAL DANCES



EAGLE FEATHERS
Chief



WARDING OFF EVIL SPIRITS



PATHS CROSSING



PEACE

The earliest writings of the American Indians were those of signs and symbols. These symbols are always apparent in their handicraft and jewelry.