

# 2012 Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover Adoption & Competition

## Q&A

- 1. What is the Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover Adoption?** This adoption is an effort by the Mustang Heritage Foundation and the Bureau of Land Management's Wild Horse & Burro Program to increase the adoption of wild horses by providing an opportunity for the public to adopt wild horses via competitive bid that are eligible to compete for \$275,000 during the 2012 Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover.
- 2. What is meant by the term "adoption"?** When you "adopt" a wild horse through the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) you are promising to care for the horse in a suitable environment. After caring for the horse for 12 months, the adopter is eligible to receive title, or ownership, from the Federal government. Once obtaining the Certificate of Title, the horse becomes your private property.
- 3. How do I adopt?** Only approved adopters will be eligible to adopt through the televised Supreme Adoption event on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Only approved adopters will receive a bidder's number and the necessary call in information. To become approved, submit the adoption application found at [www.extrememustangmakeover.com](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com) and mail to the Mustang Heritage Foundation, P.O. Box 979, Georgetown, TX 78626 by Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>. Upon application approval, Superior Productions will contact you to provide you with a bidder's number. By submitting the adoption application you are expressing intent to adopt, however application approval does not guarantee that you will win a bid and adopt an animal. Adoption becomes final only by bidding via phone or in studio and winning the bid during the March 31<sup>st</sup> Supreme Adoption event. Pending application approval, potential adopters will be eligible to adopt one to four animals. All adoptions are final and payment will be made March 31<sup>st</sup>. The adopter is responsible for all adoption and care related costs; there are no refunds or reimbursements.
- 4. How many horses are available for adoption?** 300. There will be 200 3yrs and older geldings available for adoption to be exhibited by adult trainers and 100 yearlings available for adoption to be exhibited by youth trainers (ages 8-18).
- 5. What are the characteristics of the horses offered in the Supreme Adoption?** The horses offered for adoption are all wild (ungentled) Mustangs, 3 to 5 year-old geldings and yearling geldings and fillies, gathered from California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, and Utah, bays, browns, blacks, sorrels, buckskins, roans, chestnuts, palominos, duns, cremellos, and grays. They are current on Coggins and vaccinations. Preview all horses at [www.extrememustangmakeover.com](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com).
- 6. Can I go to the BLM facility and look at the horses before the adoption?** No. The horses are only available for preview online. Go to [www.extrememustangmakeover.com](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com) to preview the horses. If you do not have internet service you can purchase a DVD, which includes the same footage that is found online, for \$10. Please call the office to place an order.
- 7. What is the Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover competition?** The Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover is a competition that allows the public to adopt a wild Mustang(s) via competitive bid during the Supreme Adoption on March 31<sup>st</sup>, train the horse(s) for approximately 120 days or find a trainer to train the horse(s), then bring the horse(s) to Fort Worth, Texas on September 13-15, 2012 to compete for \$275,000 in prize money. \$200,000 will be paid out in 3 divisions – Stars, Idols, Legends (\$50,000 is guaranteed to the winner of the Legends division), and \$75,000 will be paid out to the youth division! Only horses adopted during the March 31<sup>st</sup> Supreme Adoption are eligible to compete. The adopter is responsible for the horse at all times. Additional rules and regulations are located online at [www.extrememustangmakeover.com](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com). Or call (512) 869-3225 for more information.
- 8. How is the Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover different from a regular Extreme Mustang Makeover?** The Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover is the only Makeover that requires the horse to be adopted before training and competing. All other Extreme Mustang Makeover competitions hold an adoption at the conclusion of the competition.

## **9. What are the competition elements of the Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover?**

- a) Supreme Trail Class -- intended to show the horse's ability and willingness to perform several tasks that might be asked of him during the course of a normal trail ride or work day and to show the horse's ability to move at a working speed with the rider.
- b) Supreme Pattern Class - requires competitors to complete a pattern consisting of basic horsemanship maneuvers.
- c) LEGENDS DIVISION Trainers Choice Class -- intended to show the horse's ability to work in either the a Western elements class or an English elements class – exhibitors will choose to show in one of the designated classes. The western elements class will include cow work and the English elements class will include jumps.
- d) Compulsory Maneuvers – Trainers will be asked to complete a certain number of pre-determined maneuvers. This score will reflect completion of the maneuver as well as the horses' level of willingness to execute the maneuvers in a relaxed and confident manner.

There will be incentive awards offered to those adopters who will be showing their own horse. The incentive categories will be; 50 and Over Silver Bullets, 18-21 Young Guns and Rookies (first-time Extreme Mustang Makeover competitors). These incentive awards will be paid to the top placing exhibitor in each incentive category in each division (Stars, Idols, Legends). The placing will be based on the cumulative score of the preliminary classes only and will not include the finals.

There will also be prize money and awards presented to the top ten placing youth in each age division – 8-10 year olds, 11-13 year olds and 14-18 year olds. The placing will be based on the cumulative score of the preliminary classes only and will not include the finals.

The scoring system, class details, prize money breakdown, etc. can be found in the Rules & Regulations posted online at [www.extrememustangmakeover.com/supremeextreme](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com/supremeextreme).

**10. What is the competition schedule for the 2012 Supreme Extreme Mustang Makeover?** Exhibitors will be required to check in with their Mustang(s) on Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup> and the competition will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 13-15, 2012. A more detailed schedule can be found at [www.extrememustangmakeover.com/supremeextreme](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com/supremeextreme).

**11. What is the Mustang Heritage Foundation?** The Mustang Heritage Foundation is a 501(c)(3) public, charitable, nonprofit organization. The mission of the [Mustang Heritage Foundation](http://www.mustangheritagefoundation.org) and the goal of the [Extreme Mustang Makeover](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com) is to increase the adoption of mustangs across the country. The Mustang Heritage Foundation created the Extreme Mustang Makeover event to showcase the recognized value of mustangs through a national training competition. For more information about the Mustang Heritage Foundation and the Extreme Mustang Makeover visit [www.mustangheritagefoundation.org](http://www.mustangheritagefoundation.org), [www.extrememustangmakeover.com](http://www.extrememustangmakeover.com), or call (512) 869-3225.

**12. What is the Bureau of Land Management?** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is responsible for managing 258 million acres of public lands, located mostly in the West. Wild horses and burros roaming public rangelands are managed in a manner consistent with BLM's overall multiple-use mission, as set forth in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976. Since 1973, the BLM has placed more than 220,000 horses and burros into private care through adoption. For more information, visit [wildhorseandburro.blm.gov](http://wildhorseandburro.blm.gov) or call 866-4MUSTANGS.