









	Raven	Credited for having tricked the owl and giving fire to man, putting the sun & moon in the sky and trees and rivers on land – tricky, mischievous & at times greedy
	Thunderbird	Caller of rain, mystical, leadership, known to make lightning and thunder with a blink of an eye or flap of its wings
	Whale	Hunter & commanding of the sea, family centered, wisdom, power, cleanser
	Wolf	Loyalty, success, perseverance, powerful, heals humans that are sick, teacher, pathfinder and survivalist
	Bear	Teacher, often misunderstood, welcome, friendly, strength, learned humility, motherhood
	Salmon	Provider, instinct, persistence, dependability & renewal, represents different clans,

TOTEM POLE ANIMAL & OBJECT SYMOBLISM

	Beaver	<p>Old, wise, builder, creative, artistic & determined, strong sense of family, builder of dreams</p>
	Eagle	<p>Ruler of the sky, great strength, leadership, prestige, divine spirit, connection to creator</p>
	Frog	<p>Spring & new life, communicator, stability, rich in life, survivalist, connection to water element</p>
	Hawk	<p>Strength, quick to assist when in need of help, messenger, stopper of time</p>
	Owl	<p>Wisdom, watchful, perseverance, respected, may be associated with death</p>

 Alligator: aggression, adaptability	 Ant: hard worker, team player	 Armadillo: nocturnal, protection	 Bat: guardian of the night	 Bear: power, adaptability	 Bear Paw: strength, mobility
 Beaver: builder, gatherer	 Buffalo: life builder, sacredness	 Buffalo Skull: reverence for life, sacredness	 Butterfly: carefree, metamorphosis	 Cougar: courage, leadership	 Coyote: insight, playful, prankster
 Crane: independence , solitude	 Deer: gentleness, kindness, love	 Dolphin: kindness, playfulness, connection to water	 Dragonfly: carefree, flightiness	 Eagle: connection to Great Spirit, divine spirit	 Elk: agility, freedom, strength
 Fox: cunningness, intelligence	 Frog: connection to water	 Goose: faithful, communicative, traveler	 Grizzly Bear: hunter, nature's pharmacist	 Hawk: messenger, stopper of time	 Horse: mobility, stamina, strength
 Hummingbird: beauty, joy, miracles	 Kokopelli: fertility, joy, music	 Lizard: agility, conservation	 Loon: romance, solitude, song	 Moose: determined, headstrong, longevity	 Mouse: secretive, sneaky, timid
 Otter: curiosity, patience, truth	 Owl: vision, wisdom	 Pelican: resourceful, watchful	 Pheasant: attractive, confident, perseverance	 Quail: ceremonial, divine, sacred spiral	 Rabbit: alert, quick, resourceful
 Ram: hoarder, new beginning, teacher	 Raven: mischievous, trickster	 Road Runner: agility, cleverness, speed	 Salmon: determination, instinct, persistence	 Scorpion: defense, self- protection	 Sea horse: grace, confidence
 Shark: hunter, survival	 Skunk: conscientious, intense	 Snake: shrewd, transformation	 Spider: creative, patterns in life	 Squirrel: innocence, trusting	 Steer Skull: Silent testimony
 Thunderbird: bringer of happiness, caller of rain	 Turkey: elusive, smart	 Turtle: creative source, self-contained	 Whale: cleanser, power, wisdom	 Wolf: loyal, success, perseverance	 Wolf Paw: freedom, success
					 Zumi Bear: good health

Native American color symbolism

Native Americans were from different tribes. Each tribe had different colors and symbolism, however, the symbolism of the colors we will see below has been widely used for most Native American tribes.

1. **Black** symbolizes power, night, cold, death and disease.
2. **Brown** is a symbol of animals and death.
3. **White** is a symbol of peace, paradise, snow and mourning.
4. **Blue** symbolizes confidence, wisdom, sky, moon, water, lightning and sorrow. Rivers, waters, lakes, skies.
5. **Green** symbolizes healing, endurance, the earth, plant life, trees and rain.
6. **Yellow** symbolizes sun, dawn, day and wisdom, light, happiness.
7. **Red** symbolizes sunset, earth, war, blood, valor and wounds.
8. **White** symbolizes skies, spacious heavens, purity and peace and sometimes death.





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NATIVE AMERICAN SYMBOLS



horse
journey



thunderbird
unlimited
happiness



lasso
captivity



butterfly
everlasting
life



eagle
feathers
chief



crossed
arrows
friendship



tepee
temporary
home



arrow
protection



shaman eye
wise, watchful



hogan
permanent
home



cactus flower
courtship



sun rays
constancy



big mountain
abundance



day & night
time



saddlebag
journey



rain clouds
good prospects



headdress
ceremonial
dance



man
human life



running water
constant life



morning star
guidance



deer track
plentiful game



4 ages
infancy, youth,
middle & old age



rain
plentiful crops



cactus
desert



rattlesnake jaw
strength



arrowhead
alertness



snake
defiance, wisdom



lightning arrow
swifteners



kokopelli
fertility and joy



sun symbol
happiness



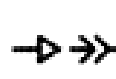
gila monster
desert



house of
water



buffalo
second life,
abundance



broken arrow
peace



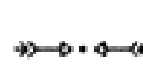
dead people
death



peace pipe
spiritual
ceremony



drum
the great spirit



facing arrows
wandering off
real spirits



buffalo skull
sacredness,
insurance for life



camp
indian village



campfire
temporary
overnight stop



turtle
perseverance,
long life



totem
a spirit being,
symbol of a tribe



sky band
leading to
happiness



gecko
dream time



feather
courage, wisdom
and strength



dream catcher
protection
from nightmares



eagle
honesty, truth
and power



bear
strength and
leadership



fence
guarding
good land



cross
paths crossing



two arrows
war



enclosure
ceremonial
dances



thunderbird
track
bright prospects



moon
guardian
of the Earth



mountain
range
destination



coyote tracks
coyotes



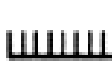
healing hand
protection



bird
care,
lighthearted



bow & arrow
hunting



spring
rebirth and
renewal



brothers
unity and equality



homecoming
return of
a warrior



many fish
a body of water
housing food



lightning
power, speed



dancer
celebration



dragonfly
reincarnation
and renewal



harmony
balance & peace



eight pointed
star
hope & guidance



hummingbird
love & happiness



bear track
good omen



drying rack
plenty of meat