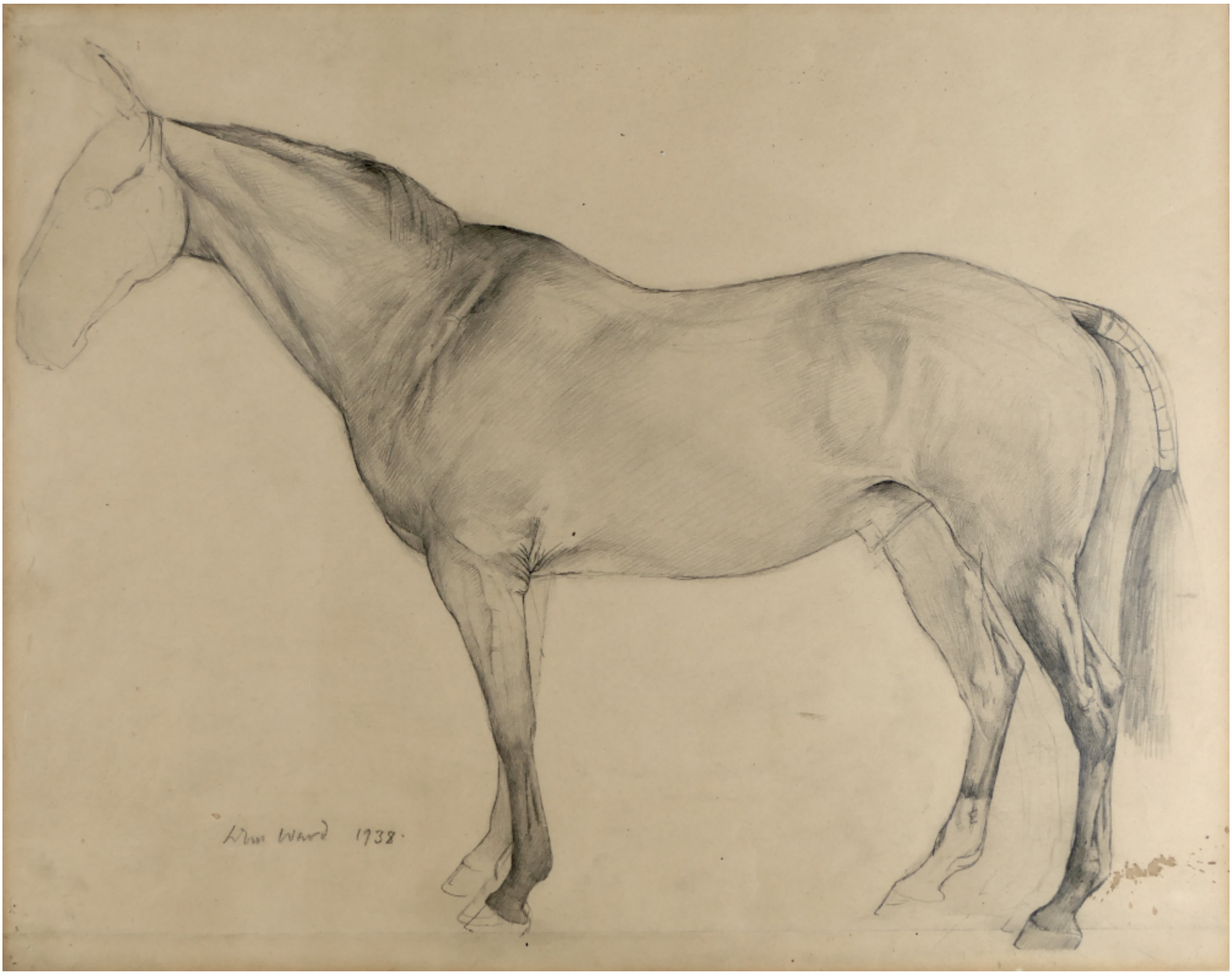
Racehorse in a Hood

John Stanton Ward R.A, R.W.S

Sold



REF: 1167

Height: 38.5 cm (15.2")

Width: 48.5 cm (19.1")

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Framed Height: 59 cm (23.2")

Framed Width: 75.5 cm (29.7")

Description

In 1939, John Ward won the coveted Royal College of Art prize for drawing, using the £5 prize money to pay off his debts to the College. This finely observed, large rendition of a racehorse in a hood, exemplifying Ward's immense natural talent as a draughtsman, was made the previous year and may have been in his successful portfolio. Writing about his time at the RCA in 'The Paintings of John Ward' (David & Charles, 1991), the artist recalled, "Percy Horton, who was in charge of drawing, loved his job. He was deeply read in art history and when he came across someone who shared his enthusiasm, he blossomed. He was a meticulous teacher, giving attention to every student, doing careful demonstration drawings, and ever ready to reach for a book or reproduction to illustrate a point." One can perhaps imagine Horton liking the exquisite precision of the draughtsmanship in his student's drawing.

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