

## Memphis Minnie

### "Frankie Jean"

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spoken:

One time my papa had a horse, his name was Frankie Jean

Man, that's the running'est horse the world I ever seen  
And it just do me good to ride old Frankie Jean  
And it do you good to sit and listen at him sometimes  
When he's coming down that plank road, almost  
making his feet talk

Man, that's the singlest-footing horse the world I ever seen

Something kind of like this:

(Instrumental break)

Go on, Frankie Jean, go on

I had him out with me once and he got loose

I couldn't catch him to save my life

I called Frankie Jean and I called him

He didn't seem to pay me no mind

I went and told my papa, "How would you do if you  
want to catch a horse?"

He said, "How did you do?"

I said, "I called mine; called Frankie Jean and called  
him

He didn't seem to pay me no attention"

Said, "That's a horse, you can't, you didn't call him  
right

You must whistle when you want your horse to come to  
you

Something like this:"

(Full verse whistled)

Then he come single-footing to me

So I took him out again; he got loose from me

I called him and called him

He didn't seem to pay me no attention

I thought about what papa said

You's a horse, I must whistle for you, something like  
this:

(Full verse whistled)

Then he comes single-footing to me  
I had him out on a race once  
I had \$5000 betting on Frankie Jean  
Folks, I wasn't scared at all, 'cause I know he wasn't  
going to let me lose  
'Fore he let me lose, he'd run off all of his shoes  
Something like this:

(Instrumental break)

Go on, Frankie Jean

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