

Press release

THE AUGUST YEARLING SALE'S CATALOGUE IS NOW ON LINE

The Deauville August sale is **the first major international event of the Northern Hemisphere's sales season**. It will run from **Friday August 15th to Monday August 18th**, alongside an international racing festival including Gr1 Prix du Haras Fresnay-le-Buffard Jacques-le-Marais on Sunday August 17th.

Deauville, a constant source of Gr1 winners

Deauville attracts buyers and vendors from all over the world for **the place, the atmosphere and above all for the quality on offer**. Year after year Deauville graduates win Gr. 1 races all over the world. Last months' top Deauville sold performers include **Natagora** (1000 Guineas & Cheveley Park Stakes), **Vision d'Etat** (Prix du Jockey Club), **Equiano** (King Stand Stakes), **Saddex** (Premio Presidente della Repubblica, Rheinland Pokal), **Literato** (Champion Sakes), **Doctor Dino** (Man O'War Stakes, Hong Kong Vase), etc. **Deauville has produced three of the last five French Derby winners** (Vision d'Etat, Lawman and Blue Canari) and this year again numerous group winners come from the ARQANA's sales ring like **Gagnoa** (Prix Pénélope Gr3, Prix des Réservoirs Gr3, 2nd Prix de Diane only beaten by the champion filly Zarkava), **High Rock** (Prix La Force Gr3, Prix de Condé Gr3), **Démocrate** (Prix Hocquart Gr2), **Belle Allure** (Prix Vanteaux Gr3), **Senlis** (Premio Parioli, Gr3). Among the 2008 two year-olds, Deauville graduates already include some promising individuals like **Peter Tchaikovski** (Dansili) and **Chintz** (Danehill Dancer).

The 2008 catalogue

ARQANA will offer **515 lots** which is a stable number vs. last year despite a growing number of foals and ever more entries every year.

A large offer of yearlings out of group performing and group producing dams

This years' catalogue comprises an increased number of yearlings out of black type mares (one third of total lots). On the first day, which is the most select session of the sale, almost two thirds of the dams whose first foal is 3 year-old+ have already produced a Black Type horse and 50% of those mares are dams of a Group performer.

The catalogue also offers **117 brothers and sisters of group performers**. On Friday, one third of the 1st dams have already produced at least one group performer.

Interestingly too, the catalogue comprises a large proportion of young dams since **one third of the yearlings on offer are a first or second foal**.

The leading sires represented in the catalogue

Yearlings' sires include the most recognized stallions like **Anabaa, Cape Cross, Chichicastenango, Cozzene, Dalakhani, Danehill Dancer, Dansili, Distorted Humor, Dr Fong, Elusive City, Elusive Quality, Empire Maker, Exceed and Excel, Fusaichi Pegasus, Galileo, Giant's Causeway, Gold Away, Gone West, Hernando, Hennessy, Invincible Spirit, Johannesburg, Lando, Linamix, Medicean, Mizzen Mast, Monsun, Montjeu, Mr Greeley, Muhtathir, Nayef, Oasis Dream, One Cool Cat, Peintre Célèbre, Pivotal, Proud Citizen, Red Ransom, Rock of Gibraltar, Royal Applause, Sadler's Wells, Seeking the Gold, Sinddar, Tale of the Cat, Verglas, etc.**

First season sires are well represented too with a number of catalogued yearlings by **Azamour, Dubawi, Footstepinthesand, Motivator, Oratorio, Shamardal, Whipper, etc.**

The French leading commercial studs alongside an increased number of vendors from the UK and Ireland

France's leading commercial breeders, the Haras d'Etream, de la Louviere, Mezeray, Fresnay le Buffard, Capucines, Reboursiere et du Montaigu, Quesnay, Bernesq, du Petit Tellier, de Grandcamp, de Saint Pair, de la Perelle, du Thenney, du Logis and others are well represented as well as foreign vendors from the UK, Ireland and Germany including Knocktoran Stud, Kilfrush Stud, Bugley Stud, The Castlebridge Consignment, Meadowlands, Glidawn, Grove, Watership Down, Ballylinch, Jamie Railton, Kildaragh Stud, Castletown Stud, Chevington & Loughtown Studs, Hawthorne Villa Stud, Voute Sales, Newsells Park Stud, Trickle-down, Farhof...

Some of the nicest pedigrees offered in this year's catalogue

- **Lot #7** (f. / Haras du Mezeray), first foal out of **Lune d'Or** (Premio Lydia Tesio Gr1, Prix de Malleret Gr2, Prix de Pomone Gr2) by **Seeking the Gold**
- **Lot #19** (c. / Watership Down) from the first crop of **Oratorio** out of the Gr1 winner dam **Moonlight Dance** (Prix Saint-Alary)
- **Lot #25** (c. / Haras du Mezeray), by **High Chaparral** and **Night Petitcoat** (Preis der Diana, Gr2); a half-brother to German Gr1 winners **Next Desert** and **Next Gina**
- **Lot #28** (c. / Haras du Quesnay), half-brother to **Rêve d'Oscar** (Prix Saint-Alary Gr1) and **Numide** (Prix Hocquart Gr2), by **Galileo**
- **Lot #35** (c. / Ballylinch Stud), a half-brother to **Red Rocks** (Breeders Cup Turf Gr1) by **Rock of Gibraltar**
- **Lot #37** (f. / Haras d'Etream), by **Sadler's Wells** and the Gr1 winning mare **Race the Wild Wind**; she is a half-sister to **King Charlemagne** (Prix Maurice de Gheest Gr1) and **Meshaheer** (July Stakes Gr3)
- **Lot #40** (c. / Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard), a half-brother to **Saddex** (Premio Presidente della Repubblica Gr1, Rheinland Pokal Gr1, Grand Prix de Chantilly Gr2) by **Cape Cross**
- **Lot #43** (f. / Haras de la Reboursière et de Montaigu), a half-sister to **Belle et Célèbre** (Prix Saint-Alary Gr1), **Whortleberry** (Premio Lydia Tesio Gr2, Prix Jean Romanet Gr2), **Ysoldina** (3rd Poule d'Essai des Pouliches Gr1) by **Dubawi**
- **Lot #61** (f. Haras de Grandcamp), a half-sister to **Amorama** (Del Mar Oaks Gr1) by **Gone West**
- **Lot #62** (c. / Knocktoran Stud), a half-brother to **Tie Black** (Poule d'Essai des Pouliches Gr1) by **Shamardal**
- **Lot #73** (f. / Haras des Capucines) a filly bred in the USA, by **Empire Maker** and **You** (winner of 5 Gr1 races in the US incl. The Santa Anita Oaks)

- **Lot #82** (f. / Haras du Mezeray), the third foal out of **Amonita** (Prix Marcel Boussac Gr1, by Anabaa) by **Gone West**
- **Lot #87** (f. / Bugley Stud) by **Dubai Destination** and **Ausherra**; a half-sister to **Strategic Prince** (July Stakes Gr2, Vintage Stakes Gr2)
- **Lot #92** (f. / Haras d'Etreham), a half-sister to **Silverskaya** (Prix de Royaumont Gr3, Prix Minerve Gr3) by **Vindication**
- **Lot #93** (c. / Voute Sales), a full brother to **Aqlaam** (Jersey Stakes Gr3 at Royal Ascot this year)
- **Lot #97** (f. / Haras des Capucines), a half-sister to **River Proud** (Somervill Stakes Gr3, 3rd Poule d'Essai des Poulains) by **Canadian Frontier**
- **Lot #107** (c. / Haras des Capucines), a **Pivotal** colt half-brother to Gr1 winner **Fraulein** (E.P.Taylor St)
- **Lot #111** (f. / Haras des Capucines), a half-sister to **Dutch Art** (Prix Morny Gr1, Middle Park Stakes Gr1) by Tobougg
- **Lot #115** (c. / Haras de la Louvière), a half-brother to **High Rock** (Prix La Force Gr3, Prix de Condé Gr3) by **Cape Cross**
- **Lot #144** (f. / Haras des Capucines), by **Footstepinthesand** and **Pillars of Society**, a half-sister to **Good Mood** (Regret St, Gr3)
- **Lot #181** (f. / Haras d'Etreham), a half-sister to **Axxos** (Oppenheim Union Rennen, Gr2, 2nd Grand Prix de Paris Gr1) by **Lando**

as well as brothers or sisters to **Coquerelle, Germance, Valley Chapel, New Girl Friend, Muhtathir, Just Little, Geordiland, Maroussie Wings, Turfroze, Floriot**, etc.

New this year, an English edition of the catalogue.

To better meet the international customers' expectations, ARQANA has edited an English version of the catalogue. The 515 pedigree pages, the Guide to Buyers and the sales conditions will all be translated into English for the first time.

Another 2008 initiative : www.thesalesparadise.com

ARQANA launched a new web site entirely dedicated to the August sale two weeks ago. www.thesalesparadise.com provides all the information one can need about the sale : on-line catalogue (with daily updates, photos of yearlings, etc.), video presentation of the sale, videos of some of the best recent graduates' successes, list of hotels in Deauville, maps & detailed route indications to arrive safely at Deauville, key contacts, etc. This site is a "must visit" for any new visitor to ARQANA's sales.

The August Sale at your fingertips : www.thesalesparadise.com

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As of July 15th, many pictures of catalogued yearlings will be posted at www.arqana.com