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**VINTAGE CATALOGUE FOR  
DEAUVILLE AUGUST YEARLING SALE IS OUT  
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**480 elite yearlings from the best breeding operations in Europe**

This year again, the catalogue for the Deauville yearling sale, which will take place from August 13<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, fits its “sales paradise” billing. Following several months of selection, during which ARQANA has travelled all around Europe to inspect over 1500 yearlings, 480 individuals from the best families and sired by the most coveted stallions have made it into a select catalogue. This year again, the consistency in the quality on offer is remarkable, and so is the diversity of the represented families, a subtle balance that is somewhat becoming a trademark feature of the August sale.

Such alchemy between a catalogue of the very top standard, the prizes collected on the track by graduates of this sale, top class racing action and the unique atmosphere of the Normandy resort really make this event the sales paradise.

A notable circumstance is also the recovery of the Sterling, Dollar and Yen vs. the Euro, which will provide a certain boost to buyers from the UK, the USA, Japan etc.

**Proven sires out in force**

ANABAA, CAPE CROSS, DALAKHANI, DANEHILL DANCER, DANSILI, DUBAWI, ELUSIVE QUALITY, GALILEO, GIANT’S CAUSEWAY, HIGH CHAPARRAL, INVINCIBLE SPIRIT, KING’S BEST, MEDICEAN, MONSUN, MONTJEU, MR. GREELEY, OASIS DREAM, PIVOTAL, REDOUTE’S CHOICE, ROCK OF GIBRALTAR, SHAMARDAL, STREET CRY: these 22 sires have been particularly prolific in big winners over the last 12 months. Between them, they have produced an astonishing 297 Group winners on a global scale. And between them, they are represented by 159 yearlings in the August sale catalogue.

This catalogue will notably be the only one in Europe this year to include a yearling by Australian star Redoute’s Choice. This rarity is a filly consigned by Haras des Capucines as lot 71, the first foal out of a half-sister to the Prix du Moulin de Longchamp (Gr.1) victrix GREY LILAS.

French household names such as GOLD AWAY, GREEN TUNE, LANDO, MARCHAND DE SABLE, MUHTATHIR, ORPEN etc. are of course well represented too.

## **Mouth-watering first crops that could hold the Classic winners of 2012**

The first semester of 2010 has witnessed a rather rare feat: two stallions have produced a Classic winner from their first crop of three-year-olds. We are of course talking about MAKFI, a son of DUBAWI, and LOPE DE VEGA, by SHAMARDAL. These two young sires were both outstanding competitors, and their performance in the covering barn only steps up the expectations that will surround the first yearlings by the top performers MANDURO, AUTHORIZED, DYLAN THOMAS, DUTCH ART, EXCELLENT ART, LAWMAN, RAIL LINK, STORMY RIVER, STREET SENSE, TEOFILO, THREE VALLEYS, TURTLE BOWL etc.

## **Buyers spoilt for choice on dam sides**

The depth in black type is extremely similar to last year's catalogue, if not higher. **34% of the first dams are black type themselves**, up from 30% a year ago, including the Gr.1 winners/performers PORLEZZA, VOLVORETA, LUNE D'OR, AMONITA, CHOC ICE, ELIZA, MYSTIC LIPS, YSOLDINA, MUSICANA etc.

Another indicator on the up is the number of **young mares** in the catalogue: 32% of the yearlings (against 30% in 2009) are first or second foals.

Among the dams who have foals of racing age, **50% have already given birth to a black type performer**, and 34% to a Group winner/place getter. Notable siblings include the recent Gr.1 Coronation Stakes heroine LILLIE LANGTRY as well as Ascot Gold Cup runner up AGE OF AQUARIUS, LE HAVRE, SILVER FROST, NAISSANCE ROYALE, SANDBAR, BLUE CANARI, CELIMENE, COQUERELLE, FOLK OPERA, SHAMARDAL, TURFROSE, ZAGORA etc.

When flicking through the pages, the diversity of the represented families strikes. The cream of French breeding is of course there in abundance, with yearlings descended from some illustrious dynasties nurtured by the Wertheimers, Wildensteins, the Aga Khan, the Moussac family or Lady O'Reilly, but many prestigious families that were developed in Germany, Ireland, the USA etc. also feature prominently.

- Lot 21, consigned by Haras d'Etreham and raised at Haras du Berlais, is the first foal by Green Desert out of the Gr.3 victrix BAL DE LA ROSE. This filly's second dam is no other than the talented LADY VETTORI, who has also produced LOPE DE VEGA.
- Lot 24, from Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard, is a colt by Pivotal who is the second foal out of a sister to the great SIX PERFECTIONS, hence from the family of MIESQUE.
- Lot 29, another to be consigned by Haras d'Etreham and raised at Haras du Berlais, is a full sister to the aforementioned AGE OF AQUARIUS (Galileo x Clara Bow), who topped this sale back in 2007 at €1.4 million.
- Watership Down Stud offers lot 36, a daughter of Galileo out of the champion two-year-old in America ELIZA, already the dam of three black type horses including most recently SAMUEL MORSE, a Listed winner at the Curragh this season.
- Lot 43, consigned by Lodge Park Stud, is a colt by King's Best, who is enjoying such a stellar year as the sire of two Derby winners in WORKFORCE and EISHIN FLASH. This colt's dam has produced ALFRED NOBEL, who took the Phoenix Stakes Gr.1 last year, and hails from the top class family of DAZZLING PARK, PARK EXPRESS, NEW APPROACH etc.

- Lot 47, consigned by Haras des Capucines, is a half-sister to SHAMARDAL by Montjeu, which makes her a close relative to STREET CRY, MAGNA GRAECIA etc.
- Lot 49, from Coulonces Consignment: this Hurricane Run filly is a half-sister to LILLIE LANGTRY who landed the Gr.1 Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot this year.
- Lot 54, from Newsells Park Stud, is a son of Monsun and the Listed victrix LA GANDILIE, already the dam of a Listed winner in FASHION ROCKS. This is the family of LINDA REGINA, STAR OF AKKRAR etc.
- Lot 57, from Haras de la Louvière, a three-parts brother to LAWMAN as being by Invincible Spirit out of LARME, a half-sister to LAWMAN, LATICE and SATRI.
- Lot 60, from Haras du Mézeray, is a Dansili colt. This yearling is the third foal out of the Mézeray homebred Gr.1 heroine LUNE D'OR, from the family of LUTH D'OR, LUTH ENCHANTEE, KHUMBA MELA etc.
- Lot 74, also from Haras du Mézeray, a son of Shamardal out of NORTH QUEEN, a Gr.3 winner in Germany who also ran 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Preis der Diana Gr.1 and whose first foal acquired black type on the track this year. This is a brilliant German family, with the champion juvenile NORDTANZERIN and the smart stayer by Monsun NETWORK on the page.
- Lot 76, consigned by Haras des Capucines, is a colt out of the triple Gr.1 hero Bernardini out of the Listed scorer PEINTURE ROSE, who of course descends from the family of PEINTRE CELEBRE, PETROLEUSE, PLANTEUR etc.
- Lot 77, from Ecurie des Monceaux, is a Galileo filly whose dam has already delivered a Listed winner in PRUDENZIA. The 2<sup>nd</sup> dam is the great matron of Fittocks Stud PUCE, hailing from the family of ALEXANDROVA, record priced broodmare MAGICAL ROMANCE and Irish Derby runner-up GOLDEN SWORD.
- Lot 106, form Haras de la Reboursière et de Montaigu, is the first foal out of the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches third YSOLDINA, by Oratorio. The second dam Rotina has produced four Group winners including BELLE ET CELEBRE, WHORTLEBERRY and APPEL AU MAITRE.

### **New faces in the vendors' ranks**

Next to the traditionally substantial drafts from Etreham, Capucines, Reboursière et Montaigu, Mézeray, Fresnay-le-Buffard, Louvière, Quesnay, Monceaux or Newsells Park Stud, new names have appeared this year.

Ireland's Moyglare Farm Stud, home to Classic heroes ASSERT, BIKALA, DANCE DESIGN and REFUSE TO BEND, will take part in the August sale for the first time, as will a brand new farm, La Motteraye Consignment, an operation set up in 2010 and run by Gwenaël Monneraye, a young Frenchman who learned the ropes of the business in Ireland.

## **Building works at Elie de Brignac pause for half time**

The ambitious refurbishment plans of the Deauville sales pavilion will pause during the August sale. The first phase of the works has resulted in the enlargement of the back of the building and the creation of new offices for bloodstock agents and sales services. As for the new restaurant, it will open to the public in December, according to the initial plan. Some temporary arrangements will therefore be necessary during the August sale, such as a temporary business centre and FRBC office close to the sales ring.

The second phase, which will start in January 2011, will affect the front of the sales pavilion i.e. the sales ring and seats. The former panoramic restaurant will be transformed into reception lounges and yearlings will enter the ring directly from the outdoor pre-parade ring.

Speaking upon the release of the August sale catalogue, ARQANA president Eric Hoyeau stated: *“This year again, the August sale catalogue achieves a subtle alchemy between quality and diversity as far as the represented sires, families and breeding operations are concerned. I think this balance tends to become a trademark of the Deauville market and is one key to this sale’s success as buyers from all around the world find yearlings that suit their criteria while having a great time in Deauville.”*

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