

Aussie Rules is a ready-made mate for mares with more **NORTHERN DANCER** blood. His sire, Danehill, achieved some of his best results with 3 x 3 inbreeding to Northern Dancer. Daughters of **GALILEO** must also be considered in view of his success with Danehill line mares.

The **NUREYEV** line merits serious consideration, as Danehill sired a Gr.1 winner and two Gr.2 winners from them, and Dansili has sired winners of the Arc and the Gimcrack from grand-daughters of Nureyev, the stallions involved being **THEATRICAL** and **PEINTRE CELEBRE**.

BE MY GUEST (broodmare sire of Rock of Gibraltar) and his sons **MOST WELCOME** and **DOUBLE BED** all rank among the broodmare sires of stakes winners by Danehill's sons.

The **NIJINSKY** branch has also had an impact, with daughters of **GREEN DANCER**, **ROYAL ACADEMY**, **KAHYASI** and **SKY CLASSIC** (Speciosa) producing Group winners to Danehill Dancer.

Inbreeding to **DANZIG** is also becoming an option, as Rock of Gibraltar, Dansili and Danetime all have high-class winners with **GREEN DESERT** in their pedigrees.

The **SHIRLEY HEIGHTS** branch of the **NEVER BEND** male line merits serious consideration, especially as **DARSHAAN** sired several important members of Aussie Rules' flourishing family. Danehill sired a Gr.1 Cheveley Park Stakes winner from a **SHIRLEY HEIGHTS** mare and a Gr.1 winner from a **DARSHAAN** mare. Danehill's sons have sired stakes performers from daughters of **DARSHAAN** (including the Gr.2 winner Eagle Mountain), **DASHING BLADE** and **HIGH ESTATE**, plus a Gr.1 winner from a mare by Darshaan's son **MARK OF ESTEEM**.

Mares by **SHARPEN UP** line stallions have played an important part in Danehill's success story and the signs are that they will also be very important to his sons. They have already sired Group winners from daughters of **DIESIS**, **KRIS**, **SANGLAMORE**, **SELKIRK**, **SHARP VICTOR**, **SHARPO** and **TREMPOLINO**, plus others out of mares by Kris's sons **SURE BLADE** and **FLASH OF STEEL**. Mares by **HALLING** also come into the picture.

Other branches of the **NATIVE DANCER** male line are also working well with sons of Danehill. **AFFIRMED** is the broodmare sire of Dansili's high-class daughter Price Tag, as well as of Danehill's excellent daughter Dress To Thrill.

Danehill's sons are also siring good winners from mares from the **MR. PROSPECTOR** branch. For example, Dansili sired Proviso from a **WOODMAN** mare and Zambezi Sun from a mare by **ZAFONIC**, a son of **GONE WEST**. Zafonic is also the broodmare sire of Danehill Dancer's Gr.1 Dewhurst Stakes runner-up Fast Company. A **WOODMAN** mare is also the dam of Danehill Dancer's Gr.1-winning daughter Alexander Tango. Danehill Dancer's son Mastercraftsman is out of a grand-daughter of **MISWAKI**.

BLUSHING GROOM and his son **RAINBOW QUEST** ranks among the broodmare sires of Danehill's Gr.1 winners.

Mares from the **GREY SOVEREIGN** line are potentially interesting mates for Aussie Rules, whose third dam is by Grey Sovereign's son **ZEDDAAN**.

The **FORLI** male line have made their mark with other sons of Danehill. Daughters of **THATCHING**, **EFISIO** and **TIROL** have produced stakes performers to Danehill Dancer, and Danetime's top two-year-old Bushranger is out of an **EFISIO** mare. A **GAY FANDANGO** mare produced Mr Dinos to Desert King.