

## DUNKIRK

One striking aspect of Dunkirk's pedigree is that it is entirely free of **NORTHERN DANCER** blood, which is significant in view of the success his sire Unbridled's Song has enjoyed in this area, especially with mares by Storm Cat and Storm Cat's sire Storm Bird. Unbridled's Song's two stakes winners from 11 foals out of **STORM BIRD** mares include the Gr.1 winner Thorn Song and his seven black-type winners out of **STORM CAT** mares feature such notable Graded winners as Magnificent Song, Buddha, Half Ours and Noonmark. Unbridled's Song's very talented son Winslow Homer is out of a mare by **SUMMER SQUALL**, a Storm Bird horse bred on similar lines to Storm Cat.

As Dunkirk is out of a Gr.1-winning daughter of A.P. Indy, he creates 5x4 to **SECRETARIAT** with daughters of Storm Cat. There is every chance that he will prove an excellent cross for mares by Storm Cat's son **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY**, who has sired five winners at Gr.1 or Gr.2 levels from Fappiano line mares, including Heatseeker. Also, Giant's Causeway is out of a **RAHY** mare. Unbridled's Song sired the Gr.2 winner and Gr.1 sire Even The Score from a **RAHY** mare, and Songandaprayer, another son of Unbridled's Song, has been successful with daughters of **RAHY**.

Among the other sons of **STORM CAT** whose daughters should suit Dunkirk are **HENNESSY** (whose daughters have done well with A.P. Indy and Unbridled blood), **TALE OF THE CAT** (sire of the Gr.2 winner Alpha Kitten from an Unbridled's Song mare), **FOREST WILDCAT**, **FORESTRY**, **VAN NISTELROOY** and **STORMY ATLANTIC** (who creates 4x4 to Seattle Slew).

Unbridled's Song and his sons have also made their mark with other branches of the **NORTHERN DANCER** male line. For example, **DIXIELAND BAND** was the broodmare sire of Unbridled's Song's outstanding daughter Eight Belles. **DEPUTY MINISTER** has proved a popular cross with Unbridled's Song, with the Gr.2 winner Last Song among the black-type performers. Unbridled's Song's Gr.3 winner Strike It Rich is out of a **DEHERE** mare and it is interesting that two of Unbridled's Song's sons have also sired Graded winners from grand-daughters of **DEPUTY MINISTER**. Mares by **AWESOME AGAIN**, **DEHERE**, **FRENCH DEPUTY**, **SILVER DEPUTY** and **TOUCH GOLD** are all worth considering.

**NUREYEV** mares had an outstanding record with Unbridled, and Unbridled's Song sired the very successful Japanese colt Agnes Sonic from a Nureyev mare. The **NIJINSKY** branch of the line has had widespread success, with **NIJINSKY**, **FRED ASTAIRE**, **CAERLEON**, **MOSCOW BALLET** and **SHADEED** all figuring among the broodmare sires of good winners by Unbridled's Song or his sons. Eurosilver, Take The Points and Warbling are among the best examples. Unbridled, Empire Maker, Broken Vow and Rockport Harbor have all sired Graded winners from daughters or grand-daughters of **DANZIG**.

**MR PROSPECTOR** will be back in the fifth generation of Dunkirk's progeny, so there are no barriers to introducing more **MR PROSPECTOR** blood. Unbridled's Song already has several leading winners with two lines of Mr Prospector, good examples being Zensational (4x4), Eight Belles (4x3), Forest Music (4x3), the Japanese filly La Verita (4x3), Strike It Rich (4x3) and Honest Man (4x3). The stallions involved include **FORTY NINER** and **GONE WEST**, and these two also appear in the pedigrees of stakes winners by Unbridled's Song's son Songandaprayer. A son of Unbridled's Song has sired a Gr.1 winner from a daughter of **SMART STRIKE**.

Daughters of **KINGMAMBO**, **SEEKING THE GOLD**, **WOODMAN**, **MISWAKI**, **CARSON CITY**, **GULCH** and **FUSAICHI PEGASUS** are other likeable options, as are daughters of **LEMON DROP KID**, **DISTORTED HUMOR**, **ELUSIVE QUALITY**, **MR GREELEY**, **GRAND SLAM** and **THUNDER GULCH**. Mares by **LEMON DROP KID** could be particularly interesting, as his dam Charming Lassie is closely related to A.P. Indy, the broodmare sire of Dunkirk.

Mares with **IN REALITY** blood merit consideration in view of Unbridled's Song's success with daughters of **IN REALITY**, **KNOWN FACT**, **TAYLOR'S FALLS** (broodmare sire of Gr.1 winner Unbridled Elaine), **VALID APPEAL** (broodmare sire of Gr.1 winner Splendid Blended) and **BERTRANDO** (broodmare sire of Unrivaled Belle). Two of Unbridled's Song's other Gr.1 winners, First Defence and Political Force, have two or more lines of In Reality.

**MEADOWLAKE** sired the dam of Unbridled's Song's very talented son Old Fashioned and Meadowlake's sire **HOLD YOUR PEACE** is the broodmare sire of his Gr.2 winners Mission Impazible and Unbridled Energy.

In addition to **RAHY**, several other sons of **BLUSHING GROOM** have enjoyed success with Unbridled's Song or his sons. These include **MT LIVERMORE** and **RUNAWAY GROOM**.

Mares by **HALO**, **DEVIL'S BAG**, **DEVIL HIS DUE** and **SOUTHERN HALO** all have talented winners by either Unbridled's Song or one of his sons. **SAINT BALLADO** and **MORE THAN READY** mares are other options from this male line.

**UNBRIDLED'S SONG** and one of his sons have Graded winners inbred to Unbridled's Song's broodmare sire **CARO**.