



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Schuylerville winner Jardin demonstrates novel inbreeding pattern

by Rommy Faversham

Under showery skies, two-year-old Montbrook filly Jardin gathered momentum while traveling wide and poured it on through the stretch to score an impressive four-length victory in the Schuylerville Stakes (G3) on July 23, opening day at Saratoga Race Course.



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JARDIN

A 12.20-to-1 longshot in a field of nine, Jardin relished the slop, just as her pedigree suggested she would. A granddaughter of two excellent mud sires, Buckaroo and Valid Appeal, the dark bay or brown filly splashed through six furlongs in 1:12.79.

Unbeaten in two starts, Jardin won a five-furlong maiden special weight race by three lengths in her debut on June 22 at Churchill Downs. She is expected to make her next start in the Spinaway Stakes (G1) on August 31 at Saratoga.

Jardin hails from Montbrook's 11th crop and is one of her sire's 11 group/graded stakes winners.

Multiple graded stakes-winning sprinter at age three, homebred Montbrook stands at Ocala Stud Farm with a 2008 fee of \$10,000. He represents the strongest remaining branch of the tenuous Buckpasser sire line.

A \$425,000 purchase at the 2008 Ocala Breeders' Sale Co. February sale of selected two-year-olds in training, Jardin was bred in Florida by Ocala Stud Farm, who also bred her first three dams and much of their immediate family.

Jardin, which is French for garden, is one of three winners from five starters out of the stakes-placed winning Valid Appeal mare Unlimited Pleasure, a close sibling to 1984 Remsen Stakes (G1) and Laurel Futurity (G1) winner Mighty Appealing.

What makes Jardin's pedigree particularly intriguing is that both her sire and dam descend from the same Ocala family. Montbrook grandam, Attache Case is a half sister to Unlimited Pleasure's grandam, Patsy's Lil Girl, creating 4x4 inbreeding to their common dam, Old Bess.

This uncommon but auspicious configuration, where the sire and

Jardin, dk. b. or br., f., 2006

Montbrook 90 624 fls, 39 SWs SI 1.44 DI=3.53	Buckaroo 75 5 wins, \$138,604, SW 523 fls, 29 SWs SI 2.03 DI=1.33	Buckpasser 63 313 fls, 35 SWs SI 4.32 DI=1.34	Tom Fool 49	Menow 35 Gaga 42
		Stepping High 69 17 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.93	Busanda 47	War Admiral 34 Businesslike 39
	Secret Papers 82 1 win, \$13,200 6 fls, 2 SWs DI=4.60	Jet Diplomacy 75 82 fls, 5 SWs SI 1.01 DI=9.00	No Robbery 60	Swaps 52 Bimlette 44
		Attache Case 70 12 fls, 1 SW DI=2.38	*Bebop II 57	=Prince Bio (Fr) 41 =Cappellina (Fr) 40
Unlimited Pleasure 97 5 fls, 2 SWs DI=2.33	Valid Appeal 72 8 wins, \$201,733, SW 789 fls, 88 SWs SI 2.18 DI=2.79	In Reality 64 555 fls, 81 SWs SI 3.72 DI=2.40	Exploident 69	Nearctic 54 Venomous 53
		Desert Trial 63 13 fls, 4 SWs DI=1.35	Jet to Rule 67	Sir Ruler 55 Jetbead 55
	Cricket Box 92 Unraced 8 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.00	Notebook 85 617 fls, 49 SWs SI 1.61 DI=2.05	Diplomat Way 64	Nashua 52 Jandy 49
		Patsy's Lil Girl 71 12 fls, 1 SW DI=1.12	Old Bess 48	Vincentive 40 Movie Lass 33
			Intentionally 56	Intent 48 My Recipe 47
			My Dear Girl 57	Rough'n Tumble 48 Ittis 47
		Moslem Chief 57	*Alibhai 38 Up the Hill 38	
		Scotch Verdict 60	Alsab 39 Glen Arvis 47	
		Well Decorated 78	Raja Baba 68 Paris Breeze 71	
		Mobcap 77	Tom Rolfe 62 Cap and Bells 58	
		*Roi Dagobert 64	=Scambre (Fr) 48 =Dame d'Atour (Fr) 55	
		Old Bess 48	Vincentive 40 Movie Lass 33	

dam both descend from the same family, is referred to as the "formula one pattern" and includes an exceptional list of important Thoroughbreds through history.

As for Montbrook, he has sired a total of 11 foals of racing age out of mares from his own family. So far, three of these have become graded stakes winners. Jardin's ill-fated full brother Beacon Shine won the 2005 Flash Stakes (G3). Their three-quarter brother, Out-of-the-box, who was produced by their grandam Cricket Box, won the 2001 Super Derby (G1) after finishing second to Monarchos in the Florida Derby (G1).

Unplaced in two lifetime starts, the modestly bred matron Old Bess would seem an unlikely source for successful inbreeding. However, the few individuals with pedigrees demonstrating duplication of her family's strains continue to distinguish themselves.

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