



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Passion reveals valuable female family inbreeding patterns

by Rommy Faversham

Passion gamely held off favorite Ariege to score an exciting nose victory in the \$113,350 La Habra Stakes (G3) on the hillside turf course at Santa Anita Park on February 2.

The win was the first in a stakes for the three-year-old Came Home filly, whose record stands at three wins from five lifetime starts and earnings of \$132,260.

Passion was bred in Kentucky by popular California horsewoman Trudy McCaffery. The dark bay or brown filly fetched \$260,000 at the 2007 Keeneland April sale of selected two-year-olds in training several months after the death of her breeder.

Passion is the fifth winner from as many starters out of the Known Fact mare Rajmata. The immediate family is, so far, highlighted by Passion's half sister Kumari Continent, by Kris S., who captured the 2000 Hollywood Oaks (G2) after finishing second to the season's divisional champion, Surfside, in the Santa Anita Oaks (G1) earlier in the year. Passion also has an unraced two-year-old full sister.

Passion's first two dams were both unraced. Rajmata is a full sister to multiple stakes winner Binalong and a half sister to multiple stakes winner Songlines, by Diesis (GB). The family is also the tribe of 2007 Taylor Made Matchmaker Stakes (G3) winner Roshani, by Fantastic Light.

Passion's seventh dam, *Peroration, was imported to the United States in the early 1920s. The most celebrated member of this extended family is Passion's fifth dam, Damaged Goods, who overcame serious injuries suffered as a yearling in a stable fire to handily beat eventual champion three-year-old filly Fairy Chant in the 1940 Acorn Stakes at Aqueduct and Coaching Club American Oaks at Belmont Park.

Passion hails from the second crop of the Gone West stallion Came Home and represents her sire's first North American graded stakes winner.

Bred and campaigned by the partnership of John Toffan and McCaffery, Came Home collected Grade 1 wins in the 2001 Hopeful Stakes (G1) at two, and the Santa Anita Derby (G1) and Pacific Classic



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PASSION (OUTSIDE)

Passion, dk. b. or br. f., 2005

Came Home 99 189 fls, 6 SWs SI 1.52 DI=4.00	Gone West 84 6 wins, \$682,251, SW 1091 fls, 90 SWs SI 2.64 DI=4.52	Mr. Prospector 70 1178 fls, 181 SWs SI 5.08 DI=3.95	Raise a Native 61	Native Dancer 50 Raise You 46
	Nice Assay 88 7 wins, \$409,620, SW 8 fls, 2 SWs DI=2.71	Secrettame 78 15 fls, 3 SWs DI=3.17	Gold Digger 62	Nashua 52 Sequence 46 Bold Ruler 54 Somethingroyal 52
		Clever Trick 76 1067 fls, 71 SWs SI 1.47 DI=3.92	Tamerett 62	Tim Tam 55 *Mixed Marriage 52
Rajmata 93 6 fls, 2 SWs DI=3.75	Known Fact 77 6 wins, \$294,828 Champion 743 fls, 54 SWs SI 1.71 DI=3.44	In Full View 83 10 fls, 1 SW DI=2.62	Secretariat 70	Nearctic 54 Shenanigans 63 Better Bee 54 Golden Beach 53
		In Reality 64 555 fls, 81 SWs SI 3.72 DI=2.40	Icecapade 69	Never Bend 60 Running Juliet 66 Best Turn 66 See You Home 70
	Begum 81 Unraced 6 fls, 2 SWs DI=2.70	Alydar 75 689 fls, 77 SWs SI 5.54 DI=3.94	Kankakee Miss 67	Turn n' See 76
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		Tamerett 62 8 fls, 5 SWs DI=3.62	My Dear Girl 57	*Tudor Minstrel 44 *Persian Maid 47
	Begum 81 Unraced 6 fls, 2 SWs DI=2.70	Rullah Good 60 12 fls, 3 SWs DI=3.60	*Mixed Marriage 52	Tim Tam 55
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Stakes (G1) at three.

His dam, the multiple stakes winner Nice Assay, won the 1991 La Habra Stakes for the same partnership.

Came Home is commencing his first season at stud in Japan at the JBBA Shizunai Stallion Station after spending his first five years in Kentucky.

Of particular note, Passion's two grandsires, Gone West and Known Fact, are close relatives, creating inbreeding, 4x3, to their influential matriarch Tamerett. Crossing this family's strains (#2-f) has been a successful breeding strategy for a number of generations.

Furthermore, Passion's sire and dam both demonstrate inbreeding to the family of Tamerett's sire, Tim Tam, whose kin, Best Turn and On-and-On, also appear in the fifth generation of Passion's pedigree. That makes for some excellent Calumet Farm crafted roots.

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