



## PEDIGREE PROFILE

# Cleverly bred Sweet Repent continues to perform beyond reproach

by Rommy Faversham

With a late rush, Buongiorno A Tutti Stable's Sweet Repent extended her winning streak to four as she pushed a nose in front in the final stride to collar front-running Amazing in the \$100,000 Stage Door Betty Handicap (G3) on December 26 at Calder Race Course.

Sent off as the even-money favorite, the three-year-old Repent filly completed 1 1/16 miles in 1:46.91 on a track rated as fast to capture her first graded stakes victory.



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A winner in six of her 12 lifetime starts, Sweet Repent annexed the Elmer Heubeck Distaff Handicap on November 14 and the Judy's Red Shoes Stakes on September 26. All six of her wins have come at Calder.

She is currently being pointed to the \$300,000 Sunshine Millions Distaff on January 30 at Gulfstream Park.

### SWEET REPENT

Bred in Florida by Nikki and Roger Schick, Sweet Repent is one of three winners from four starters out of the Formal Dinner mare Sweetbabe, a multiple winner at two and a winner at three.

Sweet Repent's unplaced grandam, Believe in Sugar, is a half sister to two stakes winners by Valid Appeal, Sugar's Appeal and Sugar's Image, the latter the dam of multiple Grade 3 winner and sire Halo's Image.

This Florida-based tribe extends back to Sweet Repent's influential fifth dam, Old Bess, who also serves as the family anchor to an impressive collection of runners and sires including Mighty Appealing, Songandaprayer, Montbrook, and his son Outofthebox.

On a historical note, Sweet Repent's tail-female line traces back to her 23rd dam, the Cullen Arabian mare \*Diana, who was imported to Virginia in 1763.

Our subject hails from the second crop of Repent, who will stand the 2010 season for \$5,000 at Empire Stud in Hudson, New York, after logging one season in Kentucky and five before that in Florida.

A multiple graded stakes winner at two and three, Repent ranked 11th on the 2009 North American third crop sire list. He also has sired

### Sweet Repent, dk. b. or br. f, 2007

Repent 99 258 fls, 9 SWs SI 1.26 DI=1.50	Louis Quatorze 93 7 wins, \$2,054,434, SW 834 fls, 37 SWs SI 1.20 DI=5.50	Sovereign Dancer 75 579 fls, 56 SWs SI 2.49 DI=3.50	Northern Dancer 61	Nearctic 54 Natalma 57
	Baby Grace (Arg) 81 3 wins, \$56,350, Spl 11 fls, 3 SWs DI=0.80	=Cipayo (Arg) 74 1087 fls, 57 SWs SI 1.44 DI=0.58	On to Royalty 85 7 fls, 2 SWs DI=11.00	<b>Bold Princess 60</b> On to Glory 71 Royal Ties 73
Sweetbabe 97 4 fls, 1 SW DI=6.00	Formal Dinner 88 7 wins, \$454,125, SW 588 fls, 24 SWs SI 0.84 DI=5.00	Well Decorated 78 684 fls, 36 SWs SI 1.10 DI=10.33	Raja Baba 68 Paris Breeze 71	<b>Bold Ruler 54</b> Missy Baba 58 Majestic Prince 66 Tudor Jet 64 Tom Rolfe 62 Wavy Navy 54
	Believe in Sugar 89 Unplaced, \$74 6 fls, 0 SWs DI=8.00	Fantastic Flyer 76 15 fls, 1 SW DI=2.08	Fantastic Flyer 76 15 fls, 1 SW DI=2.08	Hoist the Flag 68 <b>Bold Princess 60</b>
		Garthorn 80 219 fls, 9 SWs SI 0.97 DI=4.00	Believe It 75 Garden Verse 72	
		Sugar Del 71 14 fls, 2 SWs DI=12.33	Crozier 58 Best Answer 62	

graded stakes winners Crown of Thorns and Atoned.

Sweet Repent's pedigree is reinforced by a valuable network of female family inbreeding patterns. Her paternal grandsire, Preakness Stakes (G1) winner Louis Quatorze, was inbred 3x5 to the Foundation Mare Grey Flight, who serves as grandam to both Sovereign Dancer and Bold Lad.

Two generations later, a third complementary strain of Grey Flight enters the mix through Sweet Repent's broodmare sire, Formal Dinner. The latter's grandam, Schuylerville Stakes winner Bold Princess, also appears as the dam of Sovereign Dancer.

Another trio of Sweet Repent's ancestors who trace back to the same matriarch are the sires Distinctive, Well Decorated, and My Request, all descendants of the influential \*Bull Dog mare Albania.

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