



# Global Hunter bags Grade 1 glory in Eddie Read

by Rommy Faversham

Comfortably placed early, Global Hunter (Arg) rolled past favored Monterey Jazz in midstretch en route to an impressive one-length victory in the \$350,000 Eddie Read Handicap (G1) on July 25 at Del Mar.



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The win marked the first North American graded stakes victory for the six-year-old Jade Hunter horse and the first Grade 1 triumph for trainer A. C. Avila.

Sent off as the 14.10-to-1 sixth choice in the field of eight, Global Hunter covered 1½ miles in 1:46.24 on firm turf.

His only prior victory in the United States came in the Lure Stakes at one mile on the grass during the Oak Tree meeting at Santa Anita Park last fall.

## GLOBAL HUNTER

Global Hunter captured five of his 13 starts during his first three seasons in Argentina, including the America (Arg-G2) and the Horacio Bustillo (Arg-G3) as a four-year-old. He was classic-placed at three.

His victory in the Eddie Read nearly doubled his lifetime earnings to \$455,365 and improved his career mark to seven wins from 25 starts.

Global Hunter is the best runner to emerge from the lone South American crop of Jade Hunter, who was shuttled to Haras La Providencia in Argentina for the 2002 Southern Hemisphere breeding season.

Only last month, the 25-year-old Mr. Prospector horse received his pension from stud duty with a transfer to Old Friends retirement facility in Georgetown, Kentucky.

Jade Hunter originally stood at Brookside Farms and later Hill 'n' Dale Farms in Central Kentucky. His final three seasons were spent at Liberty Stud and Questroyal Stud in New York.

He is best known as the sire of 2002 Horse of the Year Azeri, North America's all-time richest female (\$4,079,820) and a virtual lock for induction into the Racing Hall of Fame.

## Global Hunter (Arg) b. h., 2003

Jade Hunter 84 924 fls, 48 SWs SI 1.48 DI=3.00	Mr. Prospector 70 7 wins, \$112,171, SW 1178 fls, 181 SWs SI 5.08 DI=3.95	Raise a Native 61 838 fls, 78 SWs SI 3.14 DI=1.57	Native Dancer 50	Polynesian 42 Geisha 43
		Gold Digger 62 12 fls, 3 SWs DI=2.23	Raise You 46	Case Ace 34 Lady Glory 34
Griffe de Paris (Brz) 86 12 fls, 5 SWs DI=1.00	Jadana (Ire) 79 3 wins, \$19,680, SW 14 fls, 1 SW DI=1.17	=Pharly (Fr) 74 664 fls, 45 SWs SI 1.24 DI=1.67	Nashua 52	*Nasrullah 40 Segula 42
		=Janina (Ire) 65 11 fls, 4 SWs DI=0.58	Sequence 46	Count Fleet 40 Miss Dogwood 39
=Telescopico (Arg) 75 9 wins, \$73,493 Champion 113 fls, 7 SWs DI=0.79	=April In Paris (Brz) 78 Spl 7 fls, 1 SW DI=1.50	Table Play 63 87 fls, 7 SWs SI 3.80 DI=1.04	Lyphard 69	Northern Dancer 61 Goofed 60
		=Filipina (Arg) 62 6 fls, 4 SWs DI=0.00	Comely (Fr) 66	=Boran (GB) 60 =Princesse Comenne (GB) 61
=Looris (Fr) 64 244 fls, 29 SWs SI 4.38 DI=1.40	=Aptness (Brz) 72 7 fls, 2 SWs DI=0.60	Round Table 54	*Match II 58	=Tantieme (Fr) 47 =Relance (Fr) 52
		Leallah 54	=Jennifer (GB) 48	=Hyperion (GB) 30 =Avena (GB) 36
=Fomento (Arg) 54	=Venture (Fr) 57	=Rosa Roja (Arg) 50	*Princequillo 40	*Knight's Daughter 41
		*Ormara 58	*Nasrullah 40 Lea Lark 45	=Guatan (Arg) 41 =Fantine (Arg) 39
=Chio (GB) 63	=Relic 45	=Appeal (Arg) 67	=Rustom Pasha (GB) 27 =Reseda (Arg) 44	=Rose O'Lynn (Ire) 44
				=Djebel (Fr) 37 =Esmeralda (Fr) 39
				=Alphee (Fr) 53 =Chiloe (Ity) 47
				=Merchant Venturer (GB) 60 =Atrayente (Arg) 59

Jade Hunter's other Grade 1 winners are turf specialist Yagli, 1994 Santa Anita Handicap (G1) winner Stuka, and 1994 Strub Stakes (G1) winner Diazo.

Bred by La Providencia, Global Hunter is one of eight winners from as many starters out of the Brazilian Group 1-winning Telescopico mare Griffe de Paris (Brz). She is the dam of four other South American group winners, including Group 1 winners Lady de Paris, by Nugget Point (Ire), and Genereux, by French Deputy.

This also is the immediate family of Group 1 winners Ollagua, Caesar's Palace, and Nugget Filly.

Global Hunter's broodmare sire, Telescopico, a paternal grandson of Round Table, won Argentina's Triple Crown in 1978.

Global Hunter represents the first top-class winner in North America to demonstrate the Raise a Native-Table Play cross since 1986 champion older male Turkoman, by Alydar out of the Table Play mare Taba (Arg).

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