

D Serai

STORY OF A STAR IN THE DESERT SKY

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The story of D Seraj made its start on the day of his birth – January, 1st 2015. Eleven months before, two knowledgeable men and crafty breeders, Mr. Mohammed Al Tawheedi, General Manager of Dubai Stud and Mr. Abdelaziz Al Marzooqi, the Executive Stud Manager, had made the decision to use their exotic stallion FA El Rasheem (Fa El Shawan x Virtuosa) with Dubai Stud's World Leading Mare, the flea-bitten grey Ladi Veronica (Versace x Nisrs Natevka) born in 2002, and herself very well known as a show Champion mare with her stunning move and her perfect and feminine look. Yet, a true expert on the Arabian horse breeding is aware that stories of this kind begin long before. We may say that it all started with the blood of great stallions such as that from the living legend Gazal Al Sha-

qab or that from the famed Bey-Shah (Bey-el Bay x Star Ofir by Bask) or the stunning Straight Egyptian Ansata El Nisr, a son of the legendary straight Egyptian stallion, Ansata Ibn Halima (Nazeer x Halima), and out of Ansata Bint Zaafarana (Nazeer x Zaafarana). We can even argue that stories like this started many years, perhaps hundreds of years back in time. But, regardless of when the story actually began, it all converged into a magic moment when genetic elements of the highest type led to a magic outcome – in this case – the truly exceptional outcome in the shows is the grey colt D Seraj.

This very complete colt with a well-built body, straight tail carriage, arched neck and an incredible refined head with big black eyes and high set eye bones, started the season taking the Gold Champion Yearling colt title at the Aj-

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man Show in 2016 with a sensational score of 93.00 with four 20's for type and four 20's for head and neck. He was just spectacular in the very professional hands of Paolo Capecci and the Dubai Stud team. At the Abu Dhabi International Arabian Horse show, he just repeated his fantastic outing like in Ajman, and left all the visitors of the show speechless, with a top score for a yearling colt and unanimous Gold Champion. He went up another gear getting the Gold medal in Dubai with an incredible score of 93, 40. With four 20's in type and five 20's in head and neck but it is not to under value the great notes in body and full 16's in legs. Latest now the entire world was talking about D Seraj, an unstoppable star...

After his special start in the Middle East, he traveled to Italy to start his training program with the team of Capecci Training Center, under the supervision of Paolo and

Susy Capecci and their team, with Giampaolo Gubbiotti as his promoter. His first European outing was at the A Class show in Menton 2016. He just went through it with another unanimous Gold Champion Yearling colt title. This jewel of a colt has continued to ride his path to success, wowing the audiences across the world with his impressive performance, show after show. In the end of September, he headed to the All Nations Cup in Aachen, one of the most precious shows of the year ending up with the Gold Yearling Colt Championship title and an incredible score of 93,54.

The year was coming to its end, and, for D Seraj, was only one step missing to be crowned the unbeatable, the World Champion title in Paris. There were meeting the Best of the Best and, of course, D Seraj proved without any doubt to be one of them. With Paolo Capecci on the lead, he en-





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tered the ring putting down an unbelievable show with full blow and trot, aiming 93.58 with not only five 20's in type, but, amazing scores in head and neck, body, legs and movement. He also brought at home the trophy for the Best Head in his class and was named unanimous World Champion Yearling Colt 2016. If at that time you were listening to the people, they would be talking about him as an Arabian horse in his perfection...D Seraj

Mohammed Al Tawheedi and Mr. Abdelaziz Al Marzooqi, were right and were now paying off.

In year 2017, like many other show colts of his talent, D Seraj was put to rest from the show scene to cover a tiny group of highly selected mares. In 2018, he returned to Europe to compete for the most coveted titles on earth once more and, for the first time, this bold grey warrior took on the biggest and final challenge of the year and rose Dubai Stud flag at the pick of glory at the World Championship 2018 in Paris. Always under the lead of his handler Paolo Ca-

pecci, D Seraj brought his best and was ultimately named World Champion Junior Colt. With a beautiful garland draped around his neck, he found himself walking home as a young King would do for his nation after the greatest victory in battles. We wish D Seraj, Mr. Mohammed Al Tawheed, Mr. Abdelaziz Al Marzooqi and the entire family at Dubai Arabian Horse Stud the very best. The path is only upwards towards the stars for D Seraj. If he is making another show ring appearance in the future, we are pretty sure to see even more of this glorious and heavenly creature.



left Paris at the top of his glory, and became another homebred star for Dubai Arabian Horse Stud.

For sure, D Seraj's striding victory in Paris contributed to reinforce even further the name of Dubai Stud within Arabian Horse breeding history. For Dubai Stud, that was truly a moment of glory that fully demonstrated that all breeding choices made by Mr.



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