

A NEW LEGACY WITH HIS OWN IDENTITY

Sundown^{KA}

QR MARC X L SERENELLA

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I think is fair to argue that Sundown KA (2013) (QR Marc by Marwan Al Shaqab x L Serenella by Turki Al Rayyan) is now referred to as “the most talked-about in the world.” Despite his young age, this 6-year-old stallion took the arena by storm to recent Paris World Championships 2019 with his standard-setting beauty for today’s Arabian horse. In the capable hands of famous Belgian handler Philippe Hosay, he put up a breath-taking show performance and he was crowned Gold Medal Senior Stallion in a blaze of mass. In truth, Sundown KA has been captivating people around him since he was born; first and foremost, his proud owner Al Saqran Stud in the United Arab Emirates and his breeders Paul and Rita Geysens from Knocke Arabians, Belgium. From the very beginning, both sides knew that this colt was a great promise and, that, sooner or later, he would be taking over the Olympus of the breed. His pedigree has ensured that. His sireline is one of the most revered in history, going back to the 1934 Straight Egyptian stallion Nazer (Mansour x Bint Samiha by Kazmeen). But, it is well worth looking back further – since one single horse does not make a bloodline great; rather, it is a combination of many layers. Sundown’s pedigree has emerged over time as a powerful blend of some the most important American-bred and Desert-bred Arabian bloodlines imbued with prestigious Polish and Russian representatives of the breed. Thus, a genetic pool with no equal.

Sundown’s KA world travels started in Milan in 2016 where he was crowned Gold Champion Colt; then he headed overseas to Israel and he got Gold Medal at Israeli Nationals 2017 - Senior Stallions Championship. In year 2018, two major achievements: he fetched Gold Medal at

Bruges Int. B Championish (Belgium) and another Gold Medal at Elran Cup (Belgium). In his path to success, Sundown KA flew overseas early this year, but, this time to conquer the United Arab Emirates with a Gold Medal at Abu Dhabi International Show 2019 – Senior Stallions Championship; Gold Medal at Sharjah International Championship 2019 - Senior Stallions Championship, and Gold Medal at Dubai International Championships 2019 - Senior Stallions Championship. Back in Europe, Sundown KA was put under massive training at famous Philippe Hosay Arabian Show Training Center. He had now to prove the world that he is indeed the most beautiful, masculine and correct Arabian horse. And so it was throughout the show. Sundown KA left Paris with the most coveted title in the world: Gold Medal Senior Stallion Champion at 2019 World Championships in Paris. Spectators were thrilled by the elegant presentation of this stallion by Philippe Hosay. There was so much feeling and mutual understanding between the two of them, so much closeness and so much trust. Nothing hectic, nothing forced or pressurized. It was just so wonderful to watch these two in the arena moving in perfect synchrony and complete liaison with each other. The way it should always be at shows.

Sundown KA is now at Philippe Hosays’ Arabian Show Horses, a short 45 minute drive to the capital city of Brussel, enjoying quiet pastures, green grass and all necessary amenities to ensure his smooth days. His boyhood behind him, he will soon begin his breeding stallion responsibilities in what will become the final definition of his legacy. The year 2020 will not only see Sundown KA opened up to the public as a breeding stallion, but also witness his first few foals joining our world.



Palmares

World Champion Stallions
Top Score of the Show
PARIS 2019

Gold Champion Stallions
DUBAI 2019

Unanimous Gold Champion Stallions
Top Score of the Show
SHARJAH 2019

Gold Champion Stallion
Top Score of the Show
**ABU DHABI INTERNATIONAL
ARABIAN HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP 2019**

Unanimous Gold Champion Stallions
Top Score of the Show
BRUGGE B INTERNATIONAL SHOW 2018

Unanimous Gold Champion Stallions
Top Score of the Show
ELRAN CUP INTERNATIONAL B SHOW 2018







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