Fortofino The Perfect Outcross Recipe

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AJ Portofino, the Chief sire at Samjad stud, the producer of quality and type foals which he confirmed again throughout his recent offsprings at Samjad Stud.

AJ Portofino is the perfect outcross for our today mares. As he himself is a result of crossing the fashionable sire line of Versace via unforgettable Vervaldee and out of Maic Jamilla, giving the great Straight Egyptian impact to AJ Portofino pedigree mostly through his grandsire - Ansata Shaamis. Granddam of AJ Portofino on the female tail is BJ Marietta - full sister to Triple Crowned winner BJ Thee Mustafa. The pedigree of AJ Portofino reflects in his look and charisma - he is certainly one of most exotic descendants of Versace line worldwide, passing the exotic type to majority of his offspring. Because of the blend of the great but rare bloodlines he is a perfect outcross for the mares representing world's most popular ones like Marwan Al Shaqab, WH Justice or Padrons Psyche. For the results at the showrings we didn't need to wait long. AJ Portofino made his mark at the shows by winning the titles of Gold Champion at UAE National Show, class winner in Dubai and Abu Dhabi International Shows with Top Five at the latter. He was also second placed at Al Khalediah International Show twice.

But his real success came in the breeding barn when he became one of the most important representative of his father -Vervaldee in worldwide breeding as well as one of the world top sires since his offspring started to win across the globe. The outcross with the mares in several different countries worked out perfectly. The best proof of AJ Portofino's great impact to world show scene and breeding is the fact that there was over 100 of his offspring competing at every level of shows and many of them winning trophies and top places at the shows in both Middle East and Europe! Amongst his most beautiful and famous winning offspring of the recent years we must mention Algamra out of Ava Mariya representing- Champion All Nations Cup and World Champion Junior Female as well as Bronze Champion in Menton 2019, homebred at Ajman Stud AJ Marzan – Silver Champion Junior Male PSAIAHF 2016, 2nd place Aachen and Qatar International, Bronze Champion PSAIAHF 2017, Gold Champion of Qatar International, 2nd placed in Menton, Gold Champion Stallion at El Jadida A Show, World Top 10, Gold Champion at Sharjah and Abu Dhabi. AJ Marzan is certainly the best AJ Portofino son so far that continue the legacy of his father having over 100 competing foals already.





AJ Portofino (Vervaldee x Magic Jamilla)

The successful use of AJ Portofino in other Middle Eastern countries resulted in Alia-Al-Ameer out of Ava – Gold and Bronze National Champion of Bahrein, Ammar Al Maher out of AJ Deena – another National Gold Champion of that country, Al Mayyasah Al Alya out of Loloa Al Nakheel – Bronze Champion Filly Foal at Dubai International Show and RDS Givenchy out of WC Godiva – Gold Champion Yearling Colt PSAIAHF this year.

Not only in the Middle East, but also Europe has been successful with using AJ Portofino for breeding champions – in Great Britain there was Xotic Portia out of Xotic Desire – Bruges Arabian Horse Event Yearling Bronze Champion Filly 2020 and in Denmark the successful combination resulted in breeding Walisa out of Wahkida – European Breeders Trust Future Stars Foals Championship Gold Champion at Nordic Open in Denmark.

Now its the time to give another chance to worldwide breeders for using the great potential of AJ Portofino in producing champions as he is back again and available at Frank Spoenle in Germany for international shipping.. O







Arabian Stallions (1) of the World Mix



AJ Marzan (AJ Portofino x HED AB Maria)



Arabian Stallions (6) of the World XIX

Arabian Stallions (3) of the World MX -



