

## HARAS EL LEGADO An objective view towards quality, an accurate eye for the best

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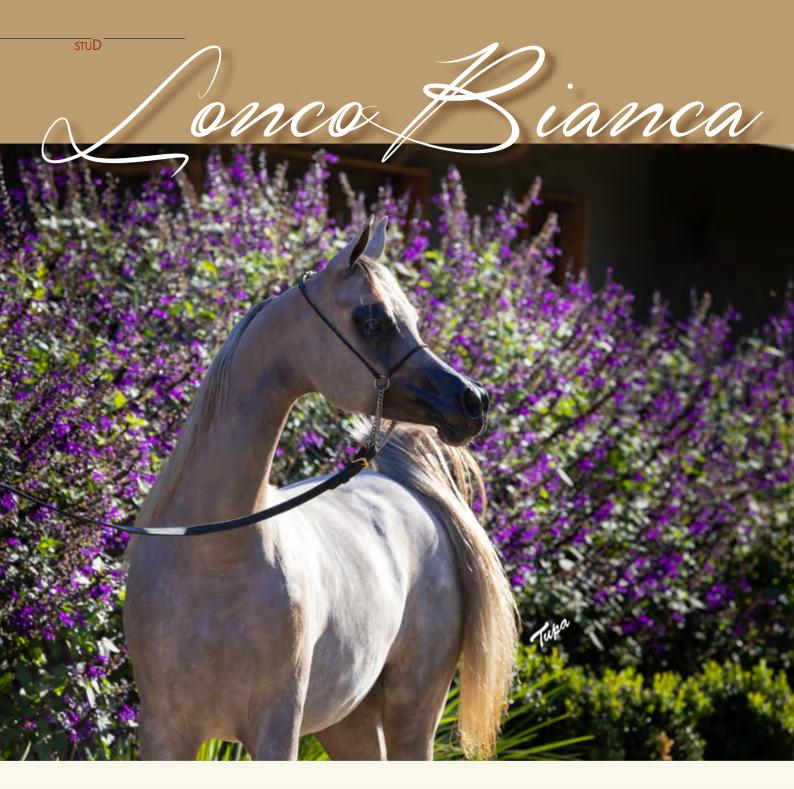
Located in the foothills of the traditional city of Cuenca in the beautiful country of Ecuador, Haras El Legado has ended a fantastic show season in 2024, winning the Filly and Mare National Championship in Chile (with Lonco Bianca and HP Sawari) as well as the same championship classes in their homeland at the Cuenca Fair (with Lonco Bianca and Lonco Tara).

This year seems to be equally promising, after their win of the Gold Champion Mare tittle once again at the Chilean National Show (once again with HP Sawari), just a few weeks ago.

Two different mares with two different paths sharing a common start: the Golden podium at the Chilean National Arabian Horse Championships. That is how Haras El Legado is somehow connecting the future of two exquisite mares combining their journey into the farm's own trajectory.

Lonco Bianca and HP Sawari are indeed two very distinct individuals, while bearing in their own unique way an abundant amount of refinement and quality, a trait that has guided the decisions of Haras El Legado's owners Jorge Carrasco and Fred Heimbach when it comes to building the foundation of their breeding program.

The first one is the exquisite grey filly Lonco Bianca, the 2024 Chilean National Gold Champion filly presented by Neto Soldani and bred by the Duch Family of Haras Lonco. Possessing an extreme refinement and movement, traits that caught the attention of many foreign breeders already, she has an undeniable international appeal.



She is by one of Haras Lonco's senior sires, Braavos HAV, a beautiful grey stallion imported from Brazil to Chile from whom her distinctive beauty comes from. Braavos is by the recently deceased FA El Shawan son HDF Lugano, the chief sire of Haras das Faias and out of Boutique El Perseus, a triple Ali Jamaal and double Bey Shah descendent bred by the legendary Haras Meia Lua. Bianca's mother HL Sophia is by Brazilian and Chilean National Champion Stallion Matisse FM, one of the first sons of Marwan Al Shaqab ever imported to South America. Further in Bianca's dam line through her grandmother El Palenque Montserrat, a blend of the bloodlines from the best of North and South America greatest horses such as Padron, Gai Parada, Menes, RSD Dark Victory, Magnum Psyche and





Aladdin, proves that a solid foundation is fundamental when it comes to aiming for the best.

After her impressive wins in Chile and Ecuador she is now headed to the Brazilian Nationals where she will once again and most definitely win the hearts of one of the worlds' toughest audiences, with her huge black eyes and her ethereal beauty. The second one is the reigning Chilean National Champion Mare, as a matter of fact a two times Chilean National Gold Champion Mare, HP Sawari a dramatically beautiful liver chestnut that has the public fall in love with her statuesque beauty every time she is out in the ring.

HP Sawari comes from the traditional breeding

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program of the Bulnes family and their Haras Panquehue. She is owned in a partnership between them and Haras El Legado.

Her pedigree is a lesson of who is who in Chilean breeding. Her father is the renowned HP Ali, also bred by the Bulnes family, he is the sire of many National and International Champions, including HL El Ganador, Aziz MAM, Samoah Serondella and Ragnar.

Sawari's mother is a daughter of Johann El Jamaal, bred by Haras Meia Lua and Alborada Anastacia bred by Haras Alborada, who in turn is by the Brazilian Bey Shadow TGS, one of the pillars of Haras La Laguna from the Hasbun family and Om El Katana, a daughter of the world famous Sanadik El Shaklan, bred by the legendary Om El Arab, in the United States.

One has to recognize the keen eye of Jorge and Fred by choosing these amazing mares as a foundation for their breeding program. Moreover, one should also revere the breeders in Chile for producing these two elite individuals.

And on a personal note, being a Brazilian myself, I can't help but wish for Lonco Bianca's success and hope that other Brazilians can have the fortune witness her quality, if she confirms her presence at our upcoming 2025 Brazilian Nationals. I will be sheering for her, and the South American team of friends from Chile, Brazil and Ecuador who support her, from wherever I shall be at the moment she enters the ring.  $\Box$ 

Haras El Legado - Ecuador Owner: Fred Heimbach & Jorge Carrasco