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# A place where dreams are timeless





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Some months ago I took the initiative to approach Thiago Pontes, owner of the famed TP Arabians, to talk about the possibility of me writing a piece on his farm and on his comeback to the Arabian horse scene after such a long gap of time.

My main interest in creating the text was indeed to report the amazing work done at TP Arabians in the present time but it seemed clear to me that the roots of his recent meteoric success was deeply linked to many events that took place before and in the course of his previous twenty-year absence.

Though it seems that I was in the right lead on that matter, I have to admit that spending the weekend with Thiago and Kamilla, learning their life story and watching them interact with each other, their horses and the farm's daily activities, has opened a whole different perspective to me in regards to my respect and admiration to the legacy they created together and therefore to the course of this very article.



# The journey begins

Thiago began his journey with Arabian Horses as a teenager, in 1991, when his father José Walter founded Haras Wanu and purchased their first three purebred mares namely An Malagueña, a daughter of An Malik, Jur Fashala, a daughter of the Straight Egyptian import Abbas Pasha with a filly at side and Jur Kamilla, a daughter of the iconic Prichal and a full sister to the legendary Jur Glenchal, the first Brazilian born to be named Brazilian National Grand Champion Mare.

The first taste of competing at a horse show came in the same year, when the afore mentioned daughter of Jur Fashala, Jur Natalyn (by Bronnz), competed and placed well in the foal at side class at the Brazilian National Show. From that moment on, the show ring became a passion that Thiago would always carry with him.

The year of 1992 brought another National win, this time with the homebred HW Bransk, a son of Jur Kamilla and the National Champion AF Festival, who won his junior colt age class at the show.

According to Thiago, 1992 was also the year that his fancy for auctions has started. That was the year of the herd dispersal of the famous Haras Santa Gertrudes the home of the incomparable El Shaklan not to mention the world's largest collection of Padron daughters and a fantastic group of mares and stallions. It was such a big herd that a total of five auctions had to be organized to accommodate all the sales. Thiago dreamed of buying many of the famous names in the sales list, that were also the dream of many breeders back in the days. There were some big players bidding in the sales and it was tough to be the final bidder at any given lot. But luckily one of the mares that Thiago had marked, Hal Sheeha NA (Hal Gibby x WN Shannon), was one the last lots of the last auction, allowing he and his family to purchase her.

Hal Sheeha NA came in foal to none other than El Shaklan, and that cross had already proven to be successful by producing two beautiful daughters, Shadra

NA and Samara NA. The resulting foal came in 1993 with the birth of the legendary mare HW Egyptian Art, a mare that was later purchased by Ailton Braga of Haras Carol and became 1997 Brazilian National Reserve Champion Mare, who was later sold to Al Zobair Stud in the UAE, where she established a strong family of champions that include the famous stallion, Sharif Al Zobair.

The period between the years of 1994 and 1999 brought a break from the show ring in the horse department. In the meantime, it represented a personal transition in many levels on Thiago's life marking his passage from a teenager into adulthood. He started to work with his family, while entering business school and most importantly, in 1997, he met the person that would be his life companion and future wife, Kamilla.

A trait that surfaced in the following years in the young adult Thiago when it came to the horses was his disposition for venturing into risk taking. Having the support of his girlfriend Kamilla backing his love for the horses and the shows, and despite not having big financial resources, it was during this period that he bet on horses that were yet to be proven, using his incredible ability to foresee scenarios and, as he likes to say, with the eventual help of fate. It was no doubt a bumpy phase, but with some defining moments that would endorse Thiago's incredible eye for quality horses and future champions.

That is how in 1999 he approached the great Polé Levy of Haras Capim Fino about purchasing his stallion Dyorchall HCF, a beautiful grey son of Don el Chall, that despite being named Brazilian National Top Ten Stallion that year, was among the group of horses whose bloodline's purity was being questioned in the U.S., while never in Europe, taking down the market value of some truly outstanding animals. Using that valid argument, he was able to afford Dyorchall's purchase and campaigned him impeccably in the following year



**HW EGYPTIAN ART** (*El Shaklan x Hal Sheeba NA* by Hal Gibby)

winning the National Champion Stallion title with him, against all the odds, leaving behind all the favorites contenders for the title. Dyorchall HCF was later exported to Europe where he served as a sire and won several shows.

Between the years 1999 and 2000 he also gained recognition by discovering the beautiful mare HP Talya, a daughter of the great Shahlenger with a similar dam line bloodline situation faced by Dyorchall HCF, to whom he campaigned to 2000 Brazilian National Top Ten Mare, before exporting her to Chile. The Khadraj NA daughter NNL Scandall Nashana was another success story. A mare that he bought and campaigned to 2000 Brazilian National Reserve Champion Mare title who he then resold for a six-digit figure to RA Aloha Arabians, the owners of Khadraj NA himself. That sale allowed him to buy a new group of horses that included the young stallion Fayd el Jamaal from Haras Meia Lua and a selected group of fine broodmares from different sources to breed to him.

It was around that time that the winds began to change in Thiago's life. On the upside he and Kamilla finally got married in 2001, but a family fall out led him to leave the family business and start his newly wed life practically from scratch. Those were hardship days, and the horses they loved so much had to be sold. He and Kamilla held on to each other fighting and overcoming many battles together and hanging on until things gradually started to settle down again. But the pain of parting with the horses became a trauma for them, and for that reason the subject of Arabian horses stopped to exist overnight. It was never brought up.

Time went on and in 2003 Thiago was admitted in a trading company as an intern, a place that allowed him to prove his competence and gave him the possibility of growing professionally until 2019 when he became a partner in the firm. In the meantime, their sons Matheus and Nicholas were born, they were able to move to a beautiful house and life was taking its course. But the subject of horses seemed to be buried forever.



# The past can now become the present

But then in 2020 the world went upside down with the covid pandemics, and so did their lives. Kamilla decided to move to her father-in-law's farm with the kids, while Thiago stayed in São Paulo working, meeting them there every weekend. That farm was the former Haras Wanu, where it all started, so it was inevitable that the memories of the horses would find one way or another the emerge eventually.

According to Kamilla, one day she and her sons discovered a room full of trophies and magazines filled with pictures of their horses and them during their victories in the old shows. Her sons who were not born until 2004, and who have never had contact with horses before were so impressed to learn that her parents have been so successful in the past that they started asking Thiago to tell them stories of those times. It lit the flame back into his heart as well as in Kamilla's. He started watching Youtube and Arabian Essence videos of more recent editions of the Brazilian National Shows, not to mention the classic Black Stallion movie too, several times!

He had kept an occasional contact with Luiz Rocco on the social medias, one of his friends from that time. The idea of having a horse once again was becoming stronger by the hour so he decided to contact Rocco to help him find an outstanding broodmare for him. That is how the beautiful grey mare Valentina HBNS (Pantheon MENS x Natasha el Kayn by Kayn el Fayd) came into their life in that same year of 2000. Interestingly her mother was a granddaughter of one of Thiago's former stallions Fayd el Jamaal. Her arrival at the farm marks the new chapter into the Pontes family venture with their Arabian horses, the first step to what would become TP Arabians in the following years.

*Left: VALENTINA HBNS  
(Pantheon MENS x Natasha el Kayn by Kayn el Fayd)*

*Right: PANTHEON MENS  
(Fa El Shawan x Jr Burmagny)*



# The comeback: reviving the roots

The first purchase led to the addition of two more mares, Ellusive Meia Lua (El Jahez WH x Elluzia Meia Lua by Enzo) and Shanel el Madan (Shael Dream Desert X Shah el Chall HSN by Don el Chall). Together they set the basis for the launch of a formal breeding program.

The emotional impact of Valentina's arrival at the farm was very strong among the whole family leading Thiago to pursue and purchase her father Pantheon Mens (FA El Shawan x JR Burgmany by Burman HVP) in the following November, in order to achieve similar results within his own foal crops. Later on, a half sister to Valentina, the beautiful bay ROA Aruanda (x Amagzonia Madsen by Magnum Psyche) was also purchased. Five years later the importance of this family at the farm keeps growing strong and to prove that, Thiago Pontes has purchased Alana HVP, the maternal sister to Pantheon (by El Tino) as well as his incredible mother, the Brazilian Aristocrat JR Burgmany herself.

The arrival of Ellusive Meia Lua represents all the reverence towards the breeding philosophy of Lenita Perroy that Thiago and Kamilla carried with them through all the years. A daughter of the Brazilian and U.S. National Champion Stallion El Jahez WH out of a granddaughter of the incomparable Elle Dorada she is a grey mare of incredible beauty and femininity.

Also, from the Haras Meia Lua breeding came the stallion Jytan Meia Lua, purchased from Haras Estancia California, who is also a son of El Jahez WH out of Jyvara El Maktub, a daughter of RFI Maktub and the beautiful Jiullya el Jamaal. He traces, from both sides of his pedigree, to one of the best families developed by Lenita, the "J" family, initiated with the distinguished Bey Shah daughter NV Justa Dream who was the mother of the worldwide revered mare Jullye el Ludjin. From Jullye came a number of internationally acclaimed horses such as Jullyen el Jamaal, Jyar Meia Lua, Julliusz de Wiec and his son El Jahez WH and





**JYVADORA EMV** (*Jyvar Meia Lua x FT Pandora*)

two full siblings by Jahez and Jyvara, both outstanding sires, the bay Jyvar Meia Lua and the grey Jytan Meia Lua. A full sister to Jyvara, the white beauty Jioya Meia Lua is now part of the broodmare band at TP Arabians as well as the beautiful daughter of Jyvar Meia Lua, Jyvadora EMV.

A look at both Jytan and Pantheon will clearly indicate that they are very distinct in type and yet they complement each other very well, both phenotypically and genotypically. Jytan is a tall grey with an exquisite head, long neck, elegant tail carriage and fluid movement while Pantheon is a balanced bay with a short back,



**JYTAN MEIA LUA** (*El Jabez WH x Jyvara El Maktub by RFI Maktub*)

correct structure, straight legs and show attitude. Both of the stallions have produced several champion offspring to their credit. During the first couple of years Thiago worked with the idea of crossing part of the mares with Pantheon and part with Jytan, but ultimately the goal was to cross Pantheon to Jytan daughters and vice versa.

To that extent, despite the short time to put this idea to practice, some very nice babies were born by Jytan out of the grown Pantheon daughters, Valentina HBNS and ROA Aruanda, with special focus to Andreeva TPA a beautiful 2024 dark bay filly out of Valentina HBNS who I had the chance to see up close. She has a beautiful face and very pretty overall, summoning up and answering the expectations from this cross. She

was awarded with a third place in her yearling filly class at both the Brazilian Nationals and the GCAT Show.

Jytan Meia Lua is also the sire of the reigning Brazilian National Gold Champion Filly Livia JSZ (x Domitilla UB), bred and owned by Jorge Selume of Haras Santa Marta, who emerged victorious at one of the show's toughest championships proving the quality and relevance of her breeding.

But before moving forward with some very important events that have been shaping the future of the farm, it is key to outline the process of how Thiago and Kamilla found the place of their dreams where finally the project of TP Arabians would be solidified and developed.

# Finding the dream place while shaping reality

January 21st of 2023 is a landmark for Thiago and Kamilla Pontes. That is when they spent their first night at the farm that would become the official address for TP Arabian from that day on. A place that had been previously hosted the traditional Haras das Paineiras owned by Rodrigo Lorenzi, their close friend and partner on some of their horses.

The first time the Pontes couple and Rodrigo met was in 2020. They were still at Thiago's family property sharing the facilities with his father and brother. It was important for them to have the family support with the new beginning. But as time went by it became evident that their dream involved having a farm of their own. They visited Rodrigo who had a beautiful facility not far from where their horses were. It was love at first sight for both! Rodrigo had mentioned that he was slowing down the breeding operation and that he might sell the farm after the pandemic was over.

The following three years served to solidify their friendship and Rodrigo Lorenzi's assistance during that period was pivotal for them to make a smooth and successful transition to the new farm, amidst the normal problems and challenges of any change. The farm was officially acquired at the end of 2022.

It was also the time for them to make plans, to add some outstanding new horses to the herd, to picture themselves, their kids and the horses into the new scenery. There were some difficult choices as to let go some of the previous purchases to make room the new acquisitions.

Beyond the physical location, the new farm represented a big shift in Thiago and Kamilla's orientation in regards to their horses. Though the show ring will always be a passion, now they were finally in love with the reality of developing their own breeding program.

The first one to move in was their pasture manager. Then the pasture mares came alongside the manager in charge of the stabled horses. Then the show horses arrived.

And then came Maximillion NA.



# MAXIMILLION<sup>NA</sup>

*(Dominic M x Makala NA)*



# The definite step into the TPA identity

After watching the first babies by Maximillion NA excel at the Brazilian National just a few weeks ago makes me wonder how fate can sometimes play a big part in our history. And some things just happen at the right moment.

Maximillion's arrival in Thiago's and Kamilla's life was unexpected. They were not specifically looking for a stallion when they received a call from Dejour Silvestre about a very special colt he had seen in Scottsdale, where he had just won the Junior Colt Class at the International Show, that was different from anything else out there. After some further exchange of information, based on their long trusting relationship with Dejour and on a strong gut feeling that he was the right horse for the program, the decision was made to purchase him.

He arrived in Brazil as a yearling in 2022, just in time to compete for the National Junior Colt title where he became Bronze Champion. A year later in 2023 he came back to claim the National Silver Colt Championship. And finally in 2024 he conquered the highest honor at Nationals winning the Gold Young Champion Stallion title. It was then time for him to start his hardest test yet, that of becoming an outstanding sire.

Maximillion NA is an impressive and beautiful bay stallion with an impeccable pedigree, being a son of Dominic M out of Makala NA, a true representative of the famed North Arabians breeding being a daughter of Ever After NA out of a Padron's Psyche daughter who is out of the dazzling Bey Shah daughter WA Marlaina Lee.

The show credentials and his bloodlines were all pointing to a good path, but it was not until the first babies hit the ground in the end of 2024 that the confirmation was given. Maximillion's babies not only had a tremendous quality but they were incredibly uniform in type, displaying the best traits inherited from their sire. Big well-placed eyes, short heads, upright necks and square balanced bodies topped with a look at me attitude and beautiful tail carriages.



**ACHILLES TPA**

(Maximillion NA x Cherrie Yparadise JM  
by Yparadise JM)

**ARABELLA TPA**

(Maximillion x Arantxa Arabco  
by QR Marc)

**Andreeva TPA**

(Jytan Meia Lua x Valentina HBNS  
by Pantheon Mens)



From his eight registered foals so far, three were shown and all have won ribbons at the 2025 Brazilian Nationals.

Astrid TPA (x Sweet Musique) was third in her junior filly class, whereas Achilles TPA (x Cherrie Yparadise JM) was second in his junior colt class and the amazing Aryna TPA (x Rhona Vul do Divino) conquered the Silver National Champion Junior Junior Filly title. Aryna TPA was one of the most talked about fillies at the show, with her amazing beauty and impeccable presentation.

The gut feeling was right. The handsome bay colt prevailed as the consummate show horse and as an accomplished upcoming sire, already at the first foal crop, stamping his type and making his mark within the building of the TPA brand.

But a stallion cannot make it alone when such a high elevated quality standard is pursued. To be able to assemble a group of outstanding broodmares and fillies to the herd is also key to achieve this goal. On that regard, Thiago and Kamilla have collected indeed a truly unique group during the last five years.



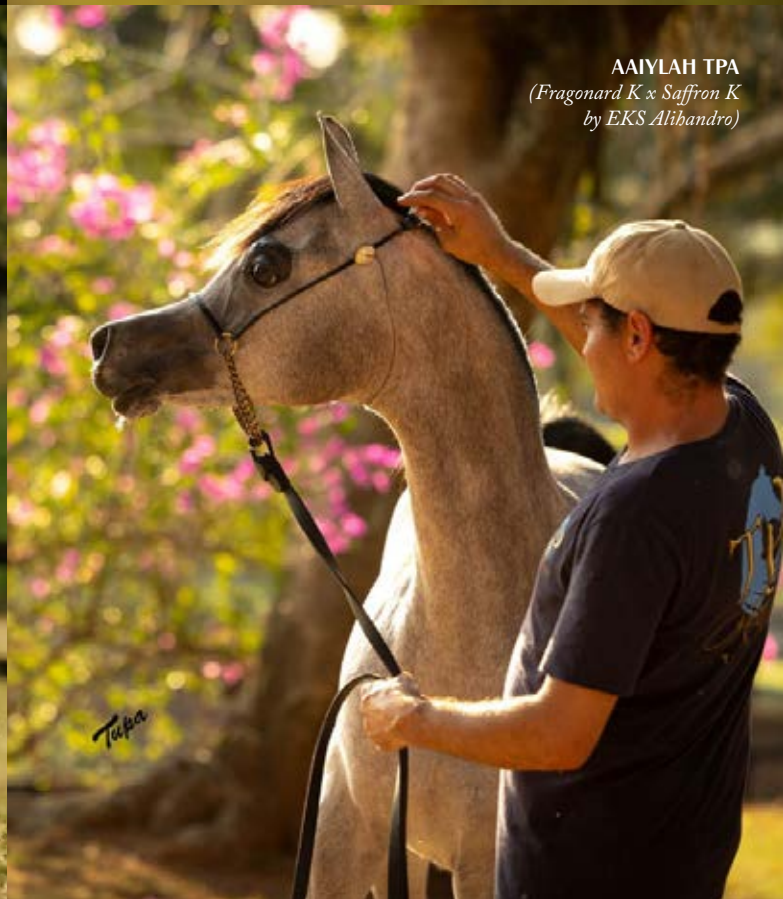
**ASTRID TPA**  
*(Maximillion NA x HK Sweet Musique  
by HDF Lugano)*



**ARYNA TPA**  
*(Maximillion NA x Rhona Val do Divino  
by Vulcano HVP)*



**2025 colt**  
*(Maximillion x Preferida Rach  
by Bandit SR4)*



**AAIYLAH TPA**  
*(Fragonard K x Saffron K  
by EKS Alibandro)*

# The prized broodmare band: highlights of an amazing herd

To list the entirety of the exquisite mare collection at TP Arabians would require a separate article. A fine selection of the best of the best acquired from great farms such as Haras Sahara, Haras Villa dos Pinheiros, Haras Aratinga and Haras Meia Lua just to name a few, are gracing their pastures in the present and producing the next generation of champions bred at the farm. Some of them were already mentioned above and some of these incredible individuals are hereby honored in the following lines.

## SEPHORA K

Perhaps it would be wise to start with the mare that is on everyone's thoughts after her absolute triumph at the latest GCAT edition in São Paulo. I am talking about the amazing Sephora K, a statuesque flea bitten grey of unique beauty who not only was named the Gold Champion Mare at the show but also was the highest scoring horse at the event. And to my own amazement, that was her first show ever!

A true testimony to the keen eye of Thiago and Kamilla who recognized her potential despite her never been shown before and also to her breeder, the renowned Murilo Kammer, of Haras Aratinga from where many worldwide famous horses such as the stallion Borsalino K and the World Champion Mare Robin K came from.

Sephora K is by the notable son of WH Justice, Parys K also bred by Haras Aratinga and out of a Sienna Carol, bred by the traditional Haras Carol, being a granddaughter of three icons of the breed, namely Khidar, El Nabila B and NV Gypsy Wind.





SEPHORA K (*Paris K x Sienna Carol*)  
GOLD CHAMPION SENIOR MARES - GCAT AMERICAS SAO PAULO 2025



CARANDA LULIKAH (*Bandit SRA x Sahara Latifa*)  
BRONZE CHAMPION SENIOR MARES - GCAT AMERICAS SAO PAULO 2025  
CHAMPION YOUNG MARE BRAZILIAN NATIONAL 2024



**PREFERIDA RACH** (*Bandit SRA x Persephone Rach*). **7X BRAZILIAN NATIONAL CHAMPION**

## PREFERIDA RACH

Preferida Rach is arguably the winningest mare in Brazilian Nationals history. She has virtually won every segment that a halter mare could win, starting with the junior filly championship, on to the filly, then the young mare and finally being crowned Gold Champion Senior Mare.

On top of that she is the mother of the reigning Scottsdale Grand Champion Stallion RFI Pavarotti, by RFI Unique, who was also crowned Brazilian National Gold Champion Junior Colt and Premium Cup Gold Champion at the Breeder's Cup.

Bred by the traditional Rach Arabians, she is by the Brazilian National Champion Bandit SRA, a son of the immortal DA Valentino and the Chilean National Champion LL Albufera. Her mother is the Vulcano HVP daughter Persephone Rach, a mare that traces to one of the early foundation mares of the Saliba family, the imported Naborr daughter Peridot, the founder of their P line.

Though still very young and with the potential to still compete and win at the highest international level, according to Thiago, Preferida Rach's show days are over. She more than earned her retirement and will spend the rest of her days with the broodmares at the farm's pastures, producing beautiful foals.

## RANIYAH K

Raniyah K is yet another superstar acquired from the breeding program of Haras Aratinga. Holder of a stellar pedigree, her father Nabucco K is a son of Ajman Moniscione out of a direct descendant of the aristocrat Bint Bey Shah.

Her mother, Rowena K, is a daughter of World Champion Stallion QR Marc out of the Brazilian National Champion Rayanna K, herself a daughter of Borsalino K and the U.S. National Champion Yearling Filly MFA Exoticaa, by the legendary Echo Magnificoo.

Before starting her breeding career, Raniyah K was named 2022 Brazilian National Bronze Champion Mare. She has produced a beautiful bay filly by Maximillion NA in 2025.



**RANIYAH K** (*Nabucco K x Rowena K*)

## CARANDÁ LULIKAH

Carandá Lulikah is a living jewel in the making and the most recent addition to the TP broodmare band.

She is a daughter of the Brazilian National Gold Champion Stallion Bandit SRA, one of the most accomplished sons of DA Valentino in Brazil, and Sahara Latifa, a daughter of Sadeek Van Ryad who traces in direct tail female to the phenomenal Bey Shah daughter Cara Bay, one of the foundation mares of Haras Carandá, the breeder of Carandá Lulikah.

As a show mare, Carandá Lulikah started to stand out very early in her career winning a second place in her weanling class at the 2021 Brazilian Nationals, her showring debut. Since then, she won several championships, including a two year in a row victory at the International Show in Tatuí and the ultimate title: Brazilian Gold National Champion Young Mare. Most recently in the 2025 GCAT São Paulo, she was crowned Bronze Champion Mare. A very impressive show record for a mare that is only five years old.

Her pedigree is a successful blend of bloodlines, containing some of the most important stallions and mares around the world including DA Valentino and his sire Versace, as well as Ali Jamaal, Echo Magnifico, Padrons Psyche, Bey Shah, Aswan, Khemosabi, Bask, Dalul and El Shaklan. Her female descendents are equally impressive, including the beautiful LL Albufera, the Polish mares Warsowia and JT Amazon, the revered Bey Shah daughters NV Tiara Bey and Cara Bay as well and the legendary Russian mare Palmira.

She belongs to the Mirage Sire Line and in her mother traces to the desert Mare Ferda, known for her beauty and sweetness, who was imported from Egypt to Crabett Park in 1891.

## MONAH HVP

Monah HVP is a beautiful and rare grey daughter of Hariry Al Shaqab and the classic DA Vinci daughter Monalisa HVP, who has been purchased by Thiago even before the acquisition of Monah HVP herself. Monalisa is out of the famed Padrons Psyche, LC Psyche Heiress a



**MONAH HVP**  
*(Hariry Al Shaqab x Monalisa HVP)*



**AALIYAH K**  
*(Shiraz De Lafon x Annika)*



**STIG ZAPHYRA**  
(*El Tino x Daphne HDT 30*)

*Talpa*



**RHONA VUL DO DIVINO**  
(*Vulcano HVP x Rhona Rach*)

member of the distinguished family of the aristocrat NV Tiara Bey mother of another aristocrat, Jamaara FA, and the U.S. National Champion Yearling Colt Psytanium.

Monah HVP is part of an amazing collection of mares acquired by TP Arabians from Haras Villa dos Pinheiros, that also included her mother, the great aristocrat JR Burgmany and her daughter Alana HVP, and the young Jamaica HVP, a refined daughter of Fire Heart HVP.

She has just earned a National Top Ten Young Mare title at the latest Brazilian Nationals, ranking fourth overall.

## RHONA VUL DO DIVINO

Rhona Vul do Divino is an impressive bay daughter of Brazilian National Champion Stallion Vulcano HVP and Rhona Rach a daughter of one of the chief sires of Rach Arabians, Pavel Rach out of a daughter of the significant sire Delmar. She has been named Brazilian National Bronze Champion Young Mare before she earned this year's Top Ten Senior Mare title.

She has produced one of the most beautiful fillies competing at the show this year by Maximillion NA, Aryna TPA named 2025 Brazilian National Silver Champion Junior Junior Filly. She is also the mother of Linda do Divino, a winning daughter of the stallion Jyvar Meia Lua, a full brother to Jytan.

I had the pleasure of seeing Monah HVP and Rhona Vul do Divino twice; weeks before and during the 2025 Brazilian Nationals. Both mares are owned in partnership with Rodrigo Lorenzi of Haras das Paineiras.

## AALIYAH K

Another jewel from the famous K brand of Haras Aratinga has also been incorporated to the broodmare band of TP Arabians. A testimony of the amazing work of master breeder Murilo Kammer.

The beautiful Aaliyah K is a rare daughter of Shiraz de Lafon, a noted son of Shanghai EA that produced very well in Brazil including the famed sire Talaal Serondela, exported to Al Khor Stud in Qatar where he served as the chief sire until his recent premature passing. Shiraz de Lafon's mother is a daughter of the magnificent World Champion Khidar, a stallion that spent a several years in Brazil before being reexported, and out of a straight Russian daughter of Ponomarev.

Aaliyah's mother, Annika, is a daughter of Magnum Chall HVP out of the ethereal Ardant Carol, a daughter of the great El Nabila B out of granddaughter of the U.S National Champion Futurity Filly Liberty Bey C, by Bey Shah. Ardant Carol is also the mother of the outstanding sire HDF Lugano, by FA El Shawan.

# EMIR SAHARA

*(Emerald J x Sahara Daghira)*

The 2025 Brazilian Nationals were a major success for Thiago and Kamilla Pontes for several reasons. It consolidated the quality of Maximillion NA as a sire as well as the TPA homebreds in general. It confirmed their bet on the young grey colt Ecstasy Arabco (TM Itaipu x Brunet Arabco), who was named 2025 Brazilian National Bronze Champion Junior Junior Colt and second place in his age class at the GCAT Show. And it proved that their belief in their show mares at the National Show was right and most importantly with the triumph with Sephora K as the Gold Champion Mare at the GCAT.

But most of all, as I saw the magnificent entrance of their stallion Emir Sahara into the Senior Stallion Finals night it felt as if that moment was the perfect translation of a grand finale in so many levels. As a consolidation of a family dream, the crowning of their life project, the reflection of making right decisions and the sealing on their partnership with Rodrigo Lorenzi.

Emir Sahara became the unanimous National Gold Senior Champion Stallion, masterfully presented by Fred Kunze, and righteously so. He reigned supreme that night.

Bred by Haras Sahara, the beautiful bay son of Emerald J and the Brazilian Gold National Champion Filly Sahara Daghira, Emir has been undefeated since his first appearance as a yearling at the Brazilian Nationals. He won the Gold again as a two-year-old and then after a period abroad he collected the tittle of U.S. Reserve National Champion Stallion, after winning the Gold Championship at the Las Vegas World Cup.

Though Emir Sahara is still very young and busy with a full showing schedule since he was a young colt, hence with a very limited breeding exposure, he has already proved his distinctive quality as a sire, with two outstanding foals, Bahyiah K in Brazil and Aria Benito in the United States. Bahyiah K, bred by Murilo Kammer, is a very refined bay filly whose mother comes from yet another legendary family, for her mother Bethesda K descends in direct tail female to the World Champion Mare Robin K and the legendary Bey Shah daughter NV Gypsy Wind.

Aria Benito has been a constant major winner at the GCAT circuit in North America. He was recently named Silver Champion Yearling Colt at the GCAT Americas in Denver and previously he had won the Bronze title in the GCAT Americas in Scottsdale. He is a typey and charismatic bay colt, and a look alike of his sire, bred and owned by Aria Prestige Partners.

It wasn't clear for the breeders in Brazil whether or not he would stay abroad, but thankfully, Thiago, Kamilla and Rodrigo joined forces once again and purchased him from Haras Sahara at their final dispersal securing his stay in Brazil, and granting us the privilege of his presence and influence in the years to come.

It will be exciting to see the next foal crop comprised with the babies of Emir Sahara as well as of Jytan and Maximillion.

The future is just beginning at TP Arabians. It seems that the past and the present have made their part. The foundation is done, the work is set in progress and the timeless dreams have finally found their home. ■

# The future printed with triumph





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