

deal World (USA)

Kingmambo – Bank's Hill by Danehill

Voted Champion broodmare in both Britain and USA, the now 19-year-old mare Hasili has a remarkable record. Seven of her foals are Gr1 performers. Six have Timeform ratings ranging from 120 to 128. Three of her sons are sires. One of those, Dansili, was Champion sire in France in 2007 and may well have more to come. Her most recent runner is 3yo (in 2010) filly Deluxe, who has two wins and two Gr1 places from four starts.

Five of Hasili's best runners are by Danehill, one is by Green Desert (also a son of Danzig). A full sister to Hasili, Arrive, got a Gr1 winner by Danehill and Gr1 placed Gr3 winner by Oasis Dream (son of Green Desert). A third (half) sister had a Gr1 placed Gr2 winner by Cape Cross (son of Green Desert). The burning question is, are there common factors which link these sires to Hasili's female line ancestry, to exploit with Ideal World?

A suitable, be it remote, starting point along the bottom female line is provided by multiple stakes winner of ten races Itsabet. Her dam was unraced, her sire Heliopolis won the Chester Vase and ran third in the Epsom Derby before his export to the US. Heliopolis became champion sire twice in the US and left an impressive legacy, especially of broodmare daughters. One of these was Itsabet's one-time winning laround. She is by Round Table, an influential sire who is kinbred 3x2 Quick Thought x Feola, both of which kin-link to Heliopolis 3rd dam Santa Cruz (4x3x4).

The next link in the chain came from English miler Young Emperor (rated 133), also sent to the US where he met with modest success. Young Emperor is kinbred 3x3 Clang x Avena. From a mating with laround he got four-time winning Irule, kinbred 4x4x4 Clang x Avena x Drift (dam of Heliopolis), or closer: 3x3 Avena's daughter Jennifer x Heliopolis (both are by Hyperion).

For the notebook: Young Emperor's dam Young Empress – by Petition out of Jennifer and close kin to Danzig's grandam Petitioner, also by Petition. There's an extension to this: Petitioner's daughter Pas de Nom (Danzig's dam in other words) is by sire Admiral's Voyage. That one's dam Olympia Lou is kinbred 2x3 Heliopolis x Pharamond (Heliopolis is kinbred 2x1 Selene x Drift, Pharamond is a son of Selene - also dam of Hyperion, Sickle, Hunter's Moon, etc).

With Irule's well constructed pedigree in terms of kin-links, it was time for bigger things. From a mating to Roberto, Irule produced the filly Sookera who became Irish champion 2yo filly (rated 117). Sookera produced two highclass sprinters, So Factual and Bold Fact, both by Known Fact. The grandam of Known Fact is influential mare Mixed Marriage (by Hyperion's grandson Tudor Minstrel). Mixed Marriage is close kin to Heliopolis and to Young Empress & Jennifer.

Sookera also produced one-time winner Kerali, by High Line, whose sire High Hat (by Hyperion) is close kin to Heliopolis and Jennifer.

From Kerali came the full sisters Hasili and Arrive, by Kahyasi, winner of the Epsom Derby and Irish Derby (rated 130). Kahyasi is a son of Ile de Bourbon (by Nijinsky), out of a mare by Blushing Groom.

There is an affinity between Nijinsky and Blushing Groom, based on the similarity between Flaring Top and Spring Run, both daughters of sire Menow. The sire of Menow is Pharamond. This line is also part of Blushing Groom's own kin-breeding, where Spring Run's son Red God goes to Blushing Groom's grandam Aimee (by Tudor Minstrel, who is kin to Pharamond).

Ile de Bourbon's 3rd dam La Paix is close kin to Flaring Top and also to Aimee. The sire of La Paix is Seven Seas, a full brother to Heliopolis.

For the notebook: a 3-part sister to Ile de Bourbon named Crystal Cup got Gr1 sprinter Iktamal, a son of Danzig Connection – there's Danzig again.

The signposts along the way all seem to point into the same direction: Selene, Hyperion, Heliopolis, Seven Seas, Pharamond (Menow), Tudor Minstrel (Mixed Marriage, Aimee). And on to Danzig's female line, Pas de Nom, Admiral's Voyage, Petitioner.

The successful link to Danehill fits the bill. He's by Danzig out of a mare by His Majesty, whose dam Flower Bowl has it all. She's kin to Heliopolis, as is her sire Alibhai and her damsire Beau Pere. Then Danehill's grandam Spring Adieu, who is by Buckpasser, grandson of Menow.

The other successful link with the family is through Green Desert, who brings Pharamond and Beau Pere. Pharamond comes from the grandam of Green Desert's damsire Sir Ivor. Interesting to note that Sir Ivor's dam Attica is close kin to Spring Adieu (grandam of Danehill).

On to Ideal World's sire Kingmambo, whose dam is by Nureyev and grandam by Prove Out, a son of Graustark who is full brother to Danehill's damsire His Majesty. As it turns out, Danehill's dam and Prove Out are close kin.

Kingmambo, whose dam is by Nureyev, is widely regarded as having a strong affinity with Sadler's Wells and kin. His best offspring show his affinities to go well beyond Sadler's Wells, and are possibly better described as an affinity from Dalmary – female line ancestress of Nureyev and Sadler's Wells, and having many kin-links, among others Flower Bowl and Heliopolis, and Danzig's female line ancestress Broderie.

PICK OF THE BUNCH

Suitable mares for Ideal World could include

1. Danzig, notably through National Assembly (especially in combination with Jungle Cove); widespread, though, and combinations with other suitable lines should be available
2. Heliopolis (Jungle Cove, Bush Telegraph, etc.) and kin – widespread
3. Pharamond – widespread; Menow, Tom Fool, Buckpasser, Nijinsky, Blushing Groom, Damascus – leading among others to Dancing Champ, Al Mufti, Captain Al, Victory Moon
4. Mixed Marriage and kin – widespread; Gone West, Sharpen Up, Court Martial/Abernant, etc
5. Dalmary female line descendants, Sadler's Wells (notably Fort Wood), Fairy King, Nureyev, Golden Thatch, Lorenzaccio; and Dalmary kin – widespread

Where From Here

The range of opportunities for Ideal World to establish kin-links with mares looks endless. Some are going to be better than others and time will tell what goes best. At this early stage in his career only educated guesses can be made.

Adding more Danzig should make sense. A suitable source could be National Assembly, who is close kin to Danehill. Interestingly, National Assembly has shown a notable affinity with Jungle Cove – whose dam Santorin is by a son of Heliopolis out of a daughter of Alibhai.

A sire who has shown a noted Hyperion affinity is Fort Wood. That he's a son of Sadler's Wells must have added appeal.

Pharamond is widespread. The sequence of Menow, Tom Fool, Buckpasser, Red God gives Blushing Groom, with added Aimee (Tudor Minstrel). Menow, Flaring Top, Flaming Top gives Nijinsky – already in Ideal World through Kahyasi. Dancing Champ has Nijinsky and Tom Fool. His affinity with Al Mufti (dam by Buckpasser), best expressed in Victory Moon, must be noted. Al Mufti is by Roberto, already in Ideal World as sire of 4th dam Sookera.

Pharamond and full brother Sickle double in Damascus, who appears as damsire of Complete Warrior. The latter is damsire of Captain Al, by Al Mufti. Complete Warrior's dam and Al Mufti's dam Lassie Dear are close kin.

Mixed Marriage and Aimee are close kin. Mixed Marriage is third dam of Gone West, and dam of Atan (sire of Sharpen Up). Mixed Marriage has many kin-relations. Aimee is grandam of Blushing Groom, which leads to Jallad (kinbred 3x3 Aimee x Ajasco).

Dalmary is ancestress of Sadler's Wells, Fairy King, Nureyev, Golden Thatch – the latter's sire and dam both Dalmary female line, with Mixed Marriage-kin Abernant as his damsire.

Now imagine a fireworks mating of Ideal World to Fort Wood mare Bay Tree, who is out of Daphne Donnelly, by Golden Thatch (Dalmary x2, plus Mixed Marriage kin), out of You're My Lady (half sister by Roberto to the dam of Danehill)...