

PROMOTIONAL ANALYSIS FOR: WASHINGTON BRIDGE

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If you favor class in the dam, don't overlook Washington Bridge. Her foals will have stakes winners for each of their first three dams, two of them graded stakes winners.

Washington Bridge claimed her graded stakes win as the third of three straight victories. Follow a victory in a one mile allowance event, Washington Bridge gained a first stakes triumph by closing powerfully for a 2½ lengths victory over a field which included grade two winner Ellafitz, and stakes winners It Tiz and Point of Reference in the Life Is Sweet Stakes at Hollywood Park. Washington Bridge was even more impressive when completing her hattrick in the Bayakoa Handicap (gr. II). As a three-year-old tackling her elders, Washington Bridge came from last to first in the stretch to win going away, while defeating graded winners Zardana and Sweet August Moon, and stakes winners Sister Dawn and Wynning Ride. In addition to scoring stakes victories at a mile and at 8½ furlongs, Washington Bridge demonstrated her versatility and speed, breaking her maiden over four furlongs first time out at two, and taking an allowance event at six furlongs.

Washington Bridge is by Storm Cat's grade one siring son, Yankee Gentleman. She is half-sister to the stakes winning two-year-old Jose Sea View, and three-quarters related to graded stakes placed Fire Path and stakes placed Noble Bandit, who are both by sons of Storm Cat out of Washington Bridge's dam, Stirling Bridge. A granddaughter of the influential sire, Kris S., Stirling Bridge is herself a two-time stakes winner, and is also half-sister to the dams of stakes winner Man On the Go and Antler Lake. Washington Bridge's granddam is the very tough and very accomplished racemare Early Lunch, winner of five stakes events, including two legs of the Florida Stallion series at two, and the Suwannee River Handicap (gr. III) at four. Early Lunch is out of a daughter of Early Glow, a mare bred on very similar lines to Champions Devil's Bag and Glorious Song, and the outstanding sire Saint Ballado, being by their grandsire, Hail to Reason, from their immediate female line. This also the family of such celebrities as Rahy, Singspiel, Mezzo Soprano, Verxina, Soaring Softly, Plenty of Grace, Dawn's Curtsey, Tribulation, Wonder Again and Grass Wonder.

We can note that Washington Bridge's branch of the family is consistently outperforming its opportunities. Not only is Washington Bridge the outstanding daughter of her sire, but her granddam, Early Lunch, is the best runner of either sex by her sire, while her dam is among the best daughters of her own sire. Imagine then, the potential for upgrading when Washington Bridge is given the opportunity with the top-class sires that her performances have earned her.

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