

PROMOTIONAL ANALYSIS FOR: WILLA B AWESOME

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Willa B Awesome lived up to her name in no uncertain terms, establishing herself as one of "the best in the West" as a grade one winner who claimed stakes victories at 6½ furlongs, 8½ furlongs and nine furlongs.

The highlight of this tough and talented filly's career was her wonderfully courageous victory over multiple graded stakes winner Reneesgotzip and grade one scorer Eden's Moon in the Santa Anita Oaks (gr. I). The Cal-bred Champion gained another graded triumph in the Santa Ysabel Stakes (gr. III) holding a daylight lead at every call and drawing away to tally by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths over grade one winners Killer Graces and Lady of Shamrock. In addition to her two graded stakes triumphs, Willa B Awesome also captured the Barretts Debutante Stakes by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths at two, and switching from the dirt to an all-weather surface, the Melair Stakes.

With the exception of her winning debut at two, Willa B Awesome spent her entire career competing in stakes company, and in all she won or placed in 12 stakes events, earning over \$500,000.

Willa B Awesome is by Awesome Gambler, a son of the highly promising young broodmare sire, Coronado's Quest. Her dam, Cause I'm Tricky, has produced two other stakes performers, including Willie B Awesome, a brother to Willa B Awesome who is multiple stakes placed at two in 2013.

Willa B Awesome also stems from an important female family. Her fourth dam, Lady Lt. is a sister to Bel Sheba, the dam of "America's Horse" Alysheba, winner of the Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I) and Kentucky Derby (gr. I) and a champion and three and four. Lady Lt. is also a sister to the dam of the Prix Jacques Le Marois (gr. I) victor Lear Fan, subsequently an important sire. Via the Acorn and Matron Stakes victress Baba Kenny, the female line goes back to the great Idle Hour Farm mare, Macaroon, ancestress of countless other major stakes winners, the legendary Kelso among them.

Willa B Awesome's outstanding performances as a runner suggests a revival of her branch of this famous family, and there is every chance that this revival will continue with her progeny.

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