



## HOPE CROSS

Graded stakes performer Hope Cross is by a stallion who gets world-class runners, and who is also a classic broodmare sire, and from a top-class European family.

A three-time winner, scoring in a maiden at Saratoga and in allowance company at Saratoga and Belmont Park, Hope Cross earned graded stakes honors with a second to multiple graded stakes winner Lady Lara in a contentious renewal of the My Charmer Handicap (gr. III), those behind including grade one winner Kitten's Dumplings, graded stakes winner Sandiva, and stakes winners Lori's Store, Pink Poppy, Prayed For, and Can't Explain. She also gained a further black-type credit with a second in the South Beach Stakes.

Hope Cross is by Cape Cross, who is not only the sire of over 100 stakes winners, but who also has 12 group or grade one winners to his name including such exceptional runners as Sea The Stars, whose triumphs include the 2,000 Guineas (gr. I), Epsom Derby (gr. I), and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (gr. I); Ouija Board, twice successful in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf (gr. I) and heroine of such races as the Epsom Oaks (gr. I) and Hong Kong Vase (gr. I); and Golden Horn, who completed the Epsom Derby (gr. I) and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (gr. I) double. Cape Cross was represented by another Classic winner in 2016 in the shape of the Irish 2,000 Guineas (gr. I) scorer Awtaad. Cape Cross is also broodmare sire of nearly 70 stakes winners, including the Epsom Derby (gr. I) and Irish Derby (gr. I) laureate, Australia; Serious Attitude, who took the Cheveley Park Stakes (gr. I) in England and the Nearctic Stakes (gr. I) in North America; and multiple grade one winner Shuka.

A half-sister to stakes placed Reckoning, Hope Cross is out of a half-sister to group placed Chivalrous. Her granddam, Aspiration, a daughter of Sadler's Wells, is a sister to champion and group winner Sholokhov. Aspiration is also half-sister to stakes winner Zavaleta, the dam of group winner Danelissima, and granddam of the Dewhurst Stakes (gr. I) victor Intense Focus; to stakes winner Affianced, the dam of Irish Derby (gr. I) winner Soldier of Fortune and group winner Heliostatic; to stakes winner Napper Tandy; and to group winner Raglada, the dam of group winners Marionnaud and Flight Risk.

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