

DECKED OUT

Graded stakes winner and grade one performer Decked Out has demonstrated a remarkable range of attributes in her career to date. In her addition her obvious class, a look at Decked Outs's race record reveals precocity, toughness, and an unusual versatility with regards to both distance and surface.

Decked Out was sharp enough to score by 3½ lengths on dirt a Santa Anita in the early May of her two-year-old season. Switching coasts, she claimed second in the Astoria Stakes, and third in the Schuylerville Stakes (gr. III), both sprinting on the dirt.

Having demonstrated precocity and speed on dirt at two, Decked Out revealed a completely different dimension to her talents at three. In the Providencia Stakes (gr. III) – over nine furlongs on turf at Santa Anita – Decked Out cruised to a 2³/₄ victory under a hand ride. Over the same distance and surface, Decked Out came within inches of an even more prestigious triumph, closing fastest of all to miss by just a head to Harmonize in the Del Mar Oaks (gr. I), with graded winners Stays in Vegas, Mokat, and Tin Type Gal filling the next three spots.

Decked Out is by the multiple grade one winner Street Boss, the fastest son of World Champion Racehorse and outstanding sire, Street Cry. One of the leading young sires of his generation, Street Boss has sired an exceptional runner in almost every one of his early crops; in addition to Decked Out, they include this year's brilliant Kentucky Oaks (gr. I) victress Cathryn Sophia; King's Bishop Stakes (gr. I) winner Capo Bastone; and Danza, an Arkansas Derby (gr. I) captor who was a fast closing third in the Kentucky Derby (gr. I).

Decked Out is a half-sister to the multiple stakes winning Morrow Cove. Her dam, Once Around, was a stakes winner at two and three, and is a half-sister to the talented Odysseus. A winner of three consecutive races a three, including a 15 length score over multiple graded stakes winner Exhi in an allowance event, and victory over a field that included subsequent Kentucky Derby (gr. I) scorer Super Saver, in the Tampa Bay Derby (gr. III), Odysseus was a major Derby hope, until suffering an injury in the Blue Grass Stakes (gr. I) in his final outing.

Decked Out's granddam, Persimmon Hill, is a half-sister to the dam of graded stakes winner Marbush and stakes winner Sublimity. Persimmon Hill is out of Rose O'Riley, a sister to

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Champion Turf mare De La Rose, conqueror of colts in the Hollywood Derby (gr. I), and dam of the graded winning two-year-old Conquistarose (by the same sire as Persimmon Hill). Rose O'Riley is also a sister to the Suburban Handicap (gr. I) scorer Upper Nile, and half-sister to Lie Low, twice successful in the Firenze Handicap (gr. II). Rosetta Stone, the dam of Rosie O'Riley, is a sister to the dam of Champion Turf Horse Bowl Game, and is ancestress of nearly 30 stakes winners, including other grade one winners Blazing Speed and Spartacus.

A recent fast-closing second – beaten only a head in a grade one – Decked Out has the clear potential to continue to be a major stakes contender. Her speed and precocity on dirt and her proven grade one ability nine furlongs on turf, combined with her distinguinshed taproot family also serve to make her an intriguing broodmare prospect.

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