

## ROYALTY

Royalty is a mare who lives up to her name as she is a sister to a classic winning Champion Three-Year-Old from the immediate family of Tapit. What's more, she's offered carrying a foal from the first crop of a classic winner.

Royalty's brother, Summer Bird, earned an Eclipse Award as Champion Three-Year-Old after winning the Belmont Stakes (gr. I) over Mine That Bird, the hero of the Kentucky Derby (gr. I), the Travers Stakes (gr. I), accounting for Quality Road, and the Jockey Club Gold Cup (gr. I) defeating Quality Road, Tizway and Macho Again. In doing so, he became the first horse to take the Belmont, Travers, Jockey Club Gold Cup triple since the magnificent Easy Goer, back in 1989.

Royalty's second dam, Hong Kong Jade, is a winning half-sister to Champion Sprinter Rubiano – also the broodmare sire of War Front – and to stakes winner Tap Your Heels, dam of super-sire Tapit, and granddam of millionaire Madefromlucky and stakes winner Noble and a Beauty. Hong Kong Jade is also half-sister to Wichitoz, the dam of undefeated graded stakes winner In Tune and stakes winners Affirmatif and Chitoz, and to Secret Red, dam of multiple graded stakes winner Dubleo. Hong Kong Jade is out of Ruby Slippers, a black-type winning daughter of Nijinsky II and Moon Glitter, a stakes winning sister to the influential sire, Relaunch.

It's worth noting that this mare, Champions Summer Bird and Rubiano, Tap Your Heels – the dam of Tapit – and unbeaten graded stakes winner In Tune, are by stallions from Fappiano male line, and sire from the same sire line and female line. It's also worth noting the remarkable classic depth to this pedigree. Royalty's sire, grandsire and great-grandsire are all classic winners, as are the sires of each of Royalty's first three dams.

Royalty is also in foal to a classic winner, carrying a colt or filly from the first crop of Palace Malice. A son of Curlin, Palace Malice defeated Oxbow and Orb to take the Belmont Stakes (gr. I) at three, and at four, won four straight graded stakes, including a victory under top-weight in the Metropolitan Handicap (gr. I).

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