

COMMERCIAL ANALYSIS:

SWEET ASSASSIN

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Tapit has been the dominant sire in North American racing in recent years, and Sweet Assassin is a Tapit daughter who is not only a sister to one of Tapit's best sons, but also to the 2017 Keeneland September Yearling sale topper. She is also out of a remarkable producing mare who is dam of no less than four black-type winners, three graded.

Tapit has been North America's Leading Sire of 2014, 2015, and 2016, setting a new earnings record on each occasion. Tapit has sired over 100 stakes winners, including Champion Three-Year-Old Filly Untapable; Champion Two-Year-Old Colt Hansen; Champion Two-Year-Old Filly Stardom Bound; Belmont Stakes (gr. I) victors Tonalist and Creator; Frosted, successful in the Metropolitan Handicap (gr. I) and Whitney Handicap (gr. I); as well as such Grade 1 winners as Tapitsftly, Ring Weekend, Joyful Victory, and Constitution. In 2017, Tapit is sire of 17 stakes winners, including Belmont Stakes (gr. I) captor Tapwrit, Del Mar Oaks (gr. I) scorer Dream Dancing, and this filly's full brother, Cupid, successful in the Gold Cup at Santa Anita (gr. I).

Cupid is also the winner of the Rebel Stakes (gr. II), Indiana Derby (gr. II), and West Virginia Derby (gr. II). A stakes winner in each of his first two starts this year, Cupid delivered a breakout performance to take the Gold Cup at Santa Anita (gr. I) by 3¼ lengths. Now a grade one winner of over \$1,700,000, Cupid is pointing to the Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I).

Sweet Assassin is sister not only to Cupid, but also a half-sister to Ashley's Kitty, winner of three black-type events, including the Railbird Stakes; to Heart Ashley, successful in the Cicada Stakes (gr. III) and Miss Preakness Stakes (gr. III); and stakes winner to Indianapolis.

Pretty 'n Smart, the dam of Sweet Assassin, was a fast and precocious runner who broke her maiden on her debut, scoring by nearly seven lengths, and also took third

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Railbird Stakes (gr. II) and Manhattan Beach at two. She is also dam of a Tapit filly – a sister to Sweet Assassin and Cupid, who was sold for a sale-topping \$2,700,000 at the 2017 Keeneland September Sales, and has filly foal by American Pharoah.

Pretty 'n Smart is half-sister to the Orchid Handicap (gr. III) and Glen Falls Handicap (gr. III) victress Hostess, and the family traces to the Gallorette, who was voted the greatest mare of the first half of the 20th century. Gallorette is ancestress of such as Horse of the Year Saint Liam; this year's outstanding older horse, Gun Runner; juvenile champions Minstrella and Greenwood Lake; Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I) scorer Success Express; and Buster's Ready, successful in the Mother Goose Stakes (gr. I).

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