

COMMERCIAL ANALYSIS: FOURSTAR CROOK

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An astonishingly consistent graded stakes and multiple stakes winner who scored in black-type company on her most recent start, Fourstar Crook is from a prolific family that boasts no less than 36 stakes winners under the first three dams.

From her maiden victory at Belmont Park back in October 2015 to her 3½ length triumph in the John Hettinger Stakes at Belmont in September 2017, Fourstar Crook has compiled a record of nine wins in ten starts, seven of those wins coming by daylight.

The first stakes victory in that sequence came in last year's Yaddo Stakes at Saratoga, and saw her account for graded winner Flipcup and stakes winners The Tea Cups, Neck of the Moon, Freudie Anne, Old Harbor, Selenite, and Invading Humor. Fourstar Crook returned to account for many of the same opponents in the John Hettinger Stakes, driving clear for a 2¾ lengths victory.

This dominant vein of form was continued in Fourstar Crook's first start of 2017, which saw her defeat grade two winner Ancient Secret, as well as Flipcup, Freudie Anne, and stakes winners Louisville First and Free N Clear. Fourstar Crook gained graded black-type in the Dr. James Penny Memorial Stakes (gr. III), which she captured by 2½ lengths, while earning a 99 Beyer Speed figure, and accounting for graded winners Cambodia, My Impression, and Tin Type Gal, and stakes winners Light Up Our World, and Thundering Sky.

In her most recent outing Fourstar Crook took a second renewal of the John Hettinger Stakes, powering away after a mile run in 1:33.73, to take the 8½ furlong test by 3½ lengths beating graded winners Summersault and Flipcup, and stakes winner Jc's Shooting Star.

Fourstar Crook is by Giant's Causeway's brother Freud, the sire of more than 50 stakes winners, including grade one winners Giant Ryan, Franny Freud, and Must Go On, and ten other graded scorers, including this year's brilliant multiple graded stakes winner Sharp Azteca.

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Avril A Portugal, the dam of Fourstar Crook, is a sister to stakes winner Jay's Crown, and to the dam of stakes winner Court Dancer. Emiress, the granddam of Fourstar Crook, is a sister to the Honorable Miss, an exceptional sprint mare who defeated males in two runnings of the Fall Highweight Handicap (one gr. II, one gr. III), Toboggan Handicap, and Gravesend Handicap, of graded stakes winner Syrianna, and of the Dwyer Stakes (gr. II) and Saranac Stakes (gr. II) scorer Bailjumper (the broodmare sire of Medaglia d'Oro).

Fourstar Crook's third dam Court Circuit is a famed tap-root mare, who is ancestress of 36 stakes winners, nearly all descending via daughters of Damascus (sire of Fourstar Crook's second dam), and/or D'Accord (sire of Fourstar Crook's dam), and so closely related to this family. They include grade one winners Diamondrella, Mr. Fritz, and Tallon, and grade two winners Bye Bye Bernie and Lady D'Accord, and graded stakes winners Spectroscope, Nikkis Smartypants, Mia Roma, Ommadon, Miss Vampiresa, Miss Dance, and Missymooiloveyou.

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