

## German Based Sires With Their First Yearlings In 2009

Gestut Isarland has acquired the proven sire Desert Prince from the Irish National Stud. The compact bay son of Green Desert won five races from two to three headed by the Irish 2000 Guineas, Queen Elizabeth II Stakes and Prix du Moulin de Longchamp which awarded him the title of the world's leading three-year-old miler in 1998. Green Desert himself was a top-class sprinter and next to Danehill is the leading siring son of the major sire influence Danzig. Green Desert's son Cape Cross is the sire of this year's Epsom Derby hero Sea The Stars, other prolific sires by Green Desert being Desert Sun and Gabr in Australia as well as Desert Style, Invincible Spirit, Shinko Forest and the young Oasis Dream. Green Desert's dam Foreign Courier is by the leading damsire Sir Ivor while his second dam Courtly Dee is by the Nasrullah horse Never Bend with the latter also featuring in Desert Prince's pedigree via his son Mill Reef.

Desert Prince's dam is the Bustino mare Flying Fairy whose progeny includes the Group III Anglesey Stakes winner Ontario and the Listed placed Danehill filly Amoureuse. The second dam Fairy Footsteps is one of Mill Reef's leading daughters and gained Classic success in the English 1000 Guineas. The influential sire of sires Never Bend thus features 4x4 in the genetic make-up of Desert Prince. Desert Prince's third dam is the Relko mare Glass Slipper who had the English St.

Leger victor Light Cavalry as well as being a half-sister to Epsom Derby hero Royal Palace and the prolific producers Ash Lawn and Crystal Fountain.

Desert Prince retired to stud in 1999 and to date has sired almost 40 Stakes winner including 15 separate Group winners world wide. His leading progeny are the juvenile Group I winning Mail The Desert, Outback Prince and Kusi. In 2008 alone, his progeny achieved 24 Black type performances. In



2009 to date, the Group winners Tarzi and L'Indiscreta are heading the list.

