

MATING ANALYSIS

HAVANA

Havana proved himself an outstanding two-year-old, defeating Champion Older Horse elect, Honor Code, for the Champagne Stakes (gr. I), and taking a close second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I). Havana is by Champion Freshman Sire, Dunkirk, a classic performing son of Unbridled's Song.

Dunkirk sired graded stakes winning two-year-old Dunkin Bend out of a mare by **Vindication**, a son of **Seattle Slew**. Unbridled's Song sired Dunkirk out of a mare by **Seattle Slew** son, **A.P. Indy**, and it would be worth crossing Havana back over mares descending from **A.P. Indy**, Unbridled's Song and sons already being proven over that strain via **Pulpit** (sire of **Tapit**, **Sky Mesa**, **Stroll**, **Purge** and **Corinthian**) and other sources including **Malibu Moon**, **Mineshaft**, **Bernardini**, **Congrats**, **Flatter**, **Aptitude**, **Golden Missile**, **Friends Lake**, **Jump Start** and **Old Trieste**. Unbridled's Song's sire Champion Two-Year-Old, Midshipman, is out of a mare by **Seattle Slew** son, **Avenue of Flags**, and Unbridled's Song and his sons also have stakes winners out of mares descending from **Seattle Slew** through **Boston Harbor** and his sire **Capote**, and **Chief Seattle**.

Dunkirk has sired multiple stakes winner Shock Hazard out of a mare by **Forestry**, a son of **Storm Cat**. The cross of Unbridled's Song and sons with mares from the male line of **Storm Cat** has been a prolific one producing over 40 stakes winners. In addition to **Forestry**, and to **Storm Cat** himself, Unbridled's Song and his sons have sired stakes winners out of mares by **Tale of the Cat** (and his son **Lion Heart**, with Tale of the Cat also being sire of **Falkirk**, **Purrealist** and **Real Saga**), **Forestry** (who strongly appeals here), **Forest Wildcat** (sire of **Wildcat Heir**, who gives inbreeding to Unbridled and a three-quarters brother), **Tabasco Cat**, **Hennessy** (sire of **Johannesburg** and **Cactus Ridge** – both broodmare sires of Unbridled's Song stakes winners – and **Henny Hughes**; grandsire of **Scat Daddy**), **Catienus**, **Menifee** (by **Harlan**, also the sire of **Harlan's Holiday**), **Giant's Causeway** (a brother to **Freud**, and sire of **First Samurai**) and **Storm Creek**. The **Storm Cat** strain might also be brought in through **Stormy Atlantic**, **Stormin Fever** and **Statue of Liberty** (who all give inbreeding to Seattle Slew, Statue of Liberty through a three-quarters brother to A.P. Indy), **Bernstein**, **Pure Prize**, **Storm Boot**, **Yankee Gentleman** and **Sea of Secrets**. Unbridled's Song also has a grade one winner out of a mare by **Summer Squall** (a **Storm Bird** son bred on the same cross as **Storm Cat**, and half-brother to A.P. Indy, who is in the pedigree of Dunkirk), and a grade one winner out of a mare by **Storm Bird** son, **Ocean Storm**.

Storm Cat is a **Northern Dancer** line stallion, and Unbridled's Song and sons have also enjoyed considerable success with several other branches of **Northern Dancer**. There is a trio of grade winners from the Unbridled's Song line out of mares by **Deputy Minister** and sons, with broodmare sires of stakes winners on this cross including **Awesome Again** (sire of **Ghostzapper**), **Touch Gold**, **Dehere**, **Salt Lake**, **French Deputy** and **Service Stripe**, and this line could also be brought in through **Silver Deputy** (sire of **Posse**), **Forest Camp**, **French Deputy** and **Deputy Commander**.

There are several other branch of **Northern Dancer** that have produced stakes the dams of stakes winners for Unbridled's Song and his sons. From the **Danzig** branch **Chief's Crown** (sire of **Grand Lodge**, **Be My Chief**, **Beautiful Crown**, **Istidaad** – who gives inbreeding to Roberto and a sister – and **Key of Luck**), **Polish Numbers**, **Belong to Me**, **Langfuhr**, **Boundary** (sire of **Big Brown**), **Pine Bluff** and **Danehill** all appear as broodmare sires of Unbridled's Song line stakes winners. The **Danehill** branch is particularly prolific but sources include **Dansili**, **Flying Spur** (sire of **Magnus**, **Casino Prince** and **Jet Spur**), **Redoute's Choice** (sire of **Snitzel**, **Stratum**, **Bradbury's Luck**, **Al Samer** and **Not A Single Doubt**) **Danehill Dancer** (sire of **Choisir**), **Commands**, **Danetime**, **Danzero**, **Exceed and Excel** and **Rock of Gibraltar**. It could also be worth trying daughters of **War Front** (who is particularly appealing here, giving linebreeding to Fappiano through the relatives Unbridled and Rubiano), **Hard Spun** (who is good here as his second dam is by Roberto, who has a sister in Havana), **Exchange Rate** and **Honor Grades** (who is half-brother to A.P. Indy).



Dunkirk is sire of stakes winner Gazmona out of a mare by **Poliglote**, a son of **Sadler's Wells**. There are also Unbridled's Song line stakes winners out of mares by **Sadler's Wells** himself, and his son **El Prado** (sire of **Medaglia d'Oro**, **Kitten's Joy** and **Artie Schiller**). Other potential sources of **Sadler's Wells** would include **Horse Chestnut** and **Powerscourt** in the U.S., and from Australia and New Zealand **Galileo**, **Montjeu**, **High Chaparral**, **Singspiel**, **Authorized**, **Barathea**, **Carnegie**, **Scenic** and **Blevic**.

Unbridled's Song and sons have done very well with the **Dixieland Band** line, and as well as **Dixieland Band** himself, there are also stakes winners out of mares **Citidancer** and his son **Disco Rico**, and **Dixieland Band** is also sire of **Dixie Union**, **Dixie Brass** and **Chimes Band**. Unbridled's Song and sons have enjoyed considerable success with mares descending from **Northern Dancer** through **Nijinsky II**, including from daughters of **Shadeed** (sire of **Alydeed**), **Caerleon** (sire of **Generous**, **Bletchley Park**, **Alquoz** and **Tenby**), **Strawberry Road**, **Sword Dancer** and **Fred Astaire**. It would also be worth trying mares by **Royal Academy** – a three-quarters brother to Storm Cat – and his son, **Bel Esprit**.

Icecapade is a three-quarters relative to **Northern Dancer**, and out of mares from the **Icecapade** line, Unbridled's Song is sire of the brilliant Zensational out of a mare by **Phone Trick** (by **Clever Trick**), a horse who is also broodmare sire of a grade one winner by Unbridled's Song's sire, Unbridled.

As a grandson of Fappiano, the success of Unbridled's Song and his sons with mares carrying **In Reality** (giving a double of the influential sire, **Rough' n Tumble**) was no surprise, and Havana is an example of this pattern. It is going to be well worth breeding him back over mares from the **In Reality** line, and Unbridled's Song has grade one winners out of mares by **Valid Appeal** (sire of **Successful Appeal**, **Valid Expectations**, **Valid Wager** and **Southern Appeal**) and **Taylor's Falls**; a graded stakes winner out a mare by **Know Fact** (sire of **Warning** – very interesting here, and out of a Roberto mare, which makes him closely related to Kyle's Our Man, the broodmare sire of Dunkirk – who can be found through **Charnwood Forest**, **Diktat**, **Bishop of Cashel** and **Piccolo**) and two stakes winners out of mares descending from **In Reality** through **Relaunch** (who can be found through **Tiznow**, who is already broodmare sire of an Unbridled's Song line graded stakes winner, **Honour and Glory**, **Put it Back**, **Skywalker**, **Bertrando**, **Officer** and **Cee's Tizzy**). Unbridled's Song's grade one winner, Political Force is out of a mare, by **Glitterman** (whose dam is by **In Reality**, and is a sister to Relaunch). The background of Havana, with Unbridled's Song and In Reality may also flourish with **Holy Bull** (sire of **Macho Uno**).

Unbridled enjoyed a strong affinity with mares by **Caro**, Unbridled's Song being an example of that cross. In turn, Unbridled's Song has a grade one winner out of a mare by **Dr. Carter** (a son of **Caro**) and a graded stakes winner out of a mare by **Siberian Express** (by a son of **Caro**), and his son, Songandaprayer, sired a graded stakes winner out of a mare by **Caro** son **With Approval**. Other good sources of **Caro** would be **Cozzene** (sire of **Mizzen Mast** and **Alphabet Soup**, himself the broodmare sire of a Dunkirk stakes winner), **In Excess** and his son **Indian Charlie**, and **Tejano** (broodmare sire of a stakes winner by a son of Unbridled's Song). **Caro** is a **Nasrullah** line stallion, and from the **Naskra** branch of that line, Unbridled's Song has an excellent strike rate with mares by **Olympio**.

The cross of Unbridled's Song with mares descending from **Blushing Groom**, has produced stakes winners out of mares by **Mt. Livermore** and his sons, **Housebuster**, **Orientate** (broodmare sire of a Dunkirk stakes winner) and **Peaks and Valleys**, as well as **Rahy** (broodmare sire of a graded stakes winner by Unbridled) and **Runaway Groom** (sire of **Cherokee Run**; grandsire of **Yonaguska** and **Kafwain**).

Unbridled's Song is a great-grandson of **Mr. Prospector**, and he and his sons have also begun to find success when bred back over mares from their own **Mr. Prospector** sire line. Among the successful branches are **Gone West**, including **Mr. Greeley** (broodmare sire of an Unbridled's Song line grade one winner) and his son **El Corredor**, **West By West** (broodmare sire of an Unbridled's Song stakes winner), **Grand Slam**, **Elusive Quality**, **Speightstown** and **Proud Citizen**; **Forty Niner** (through **Distorted Humor**, who can be found through **Flower Alley** and **Sharp Humor**, **Tactical Advangtage**, **Luhuk**, **Gold Fever**, **Roar**, **Gold Case**, and **End Sweep** and **Trippi**); **Norquestor** (by **Conquistador Cielo**, also sire of **El Moxie** and **Marquetry**).



Rancho Santa Rosa

and grandsire of **Artax**); **Smart Strike** (broodmare sire of a grade one winner by a son of Unbridled's Song), **Machiavellian** (sire of **Street Cry** and **Vettori**; grandsire of **Street Sense** and **Street Boss**), **Miswaki** (sire of **Black Tie Affair** and **Umatilla**: grandsire of **Formal Gold**), **Seeking the Gold** (including a stakes winner out of a mare by **Mutakddim**, and also available through **Petionville**, **Cape Town** and **Secret Savings**); **Lemon Drop Kid** (by **Kingmambo**, also sire of **King's Best**), **Point Given** (by **Thunder Gulch**) and **Fusaichi Pegasus**.

Mr. Prospector is by **Raise a Native**, and there has been success for Unbridled's Song line stallions over other branches of that line, including grade one winner Songandaprayer (out of a mare by **Premiership**, a son of **Exclusive Native**, and a stakes winner out of a mare by another son of that horse, **Affirmed**), and Marylebone (out of a mare by **Wavering Monarch**, from the **Majestic Prince** line, available through **Maria's Mon** and sons, **Monarchos** and **Super Saver**, who both look interesting here).

Out of mares from the Unbridled's Song line stakes winners out of mares from the **Turn-to** line descending via **Sir Gaylord** through **Lord Avie**, **Drone**, and from the **Sir Ivor** branch, graded winners out of daughters of **Bates Motel** and **Kaapstad** (by **Sir Tristram**). **Kapstaad** is a three-quarters brother to **Octagonal** (the sire of **Lonhro**). The **Sir Tristram** strain through **Marauding** might also be interesting here.

From the **Hail to Reason** branch of **Turn-to**, there have been successes with mares from the **Roberto** and **Halo** branches. **Roberto** - who is particularly interesting here as he has a sister in the pedigree of Havana – has enjoyed success through **Red Ransom** (sire of **Domesday**, **Charge Forward**, **Ekraar**, **Intikhab** and **Sri Pekan**), **Lear Fan** (sire of **Casual Lies**), **Kris S.** (sire of **Arch**, **You and I**, **Rock Hard Ten**, **Prized** and **Brocco**) and **Dynaformer**. It would be extremely interesting to try mares by **Dynaformer**, who is bred on a reverse cross to the dam of Kyle's Our Man (broodmare sire of Havana). He could be found through **Blumin Affair** (who might be good here, bringing in more **Dr. Fager**), **Purim** and **Temple City**.

The **Halo** branch of **Hail to Reason**, appeals here and has already appeared in the broodmare sire line of Unbridled's Song line stakes winners via his sons **Southern Halo** (sire of **More Than Ready**) and **Devil's Bag** (sire of **Devil His Due**, **Diablo** and **Abaginone**, and himself a brother to **Saint Ballado**, the sire of **Saint Liam**, **Captain Bodgit**, **Sweetsouthern** and **Yankee Victor**). It would also be possible to try **Halo** through **Don't Say Halo**.