



PEDIGREE DYNAMICS

SUPER JET A LINE-BREEDING ROCKET

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This year, breeders at the lower end of the stud fee scale will have access to a stallion whose pedigree is peppered with some revered names and who carries some very powerful linebreeding.

Standing at Ampulla Lodge in Bunyip, Victoria for \$4,500 plus GST, Super Jet was a competent racehorse, winning three of his five starts by good margins before retiring through injury.

He is a son of Dayjur – Horse of the Year in England as a three-year-old as well as being crowned Champion European Sprinter. A triple Group One winner, Dayjur is a son of Danzig out of a daughter of Mr. Prospector.

Standing at Shadwell Farm in Kentucky for US\$10,000, Dayjur is proudly touted as having produced more stakes winners than any other son of Danzig standing in Kentucky. His seventeen stakes winners include the Irish Champion Two-Year-Old, Asfurah, the Group 1 Middle Park Stakes winner Hayil and the multi-million dollar winner in Japan, Shinko Splendor.

Dayjur traces to SUNFLOWER (1), to whom, apart from Dayjur, Super Jet is linebred through Sunflower's descendants Phalaris (12 lines), Hainault (2 lines), Gay Crusader (2) and High Time (2). This is also the family of Understanding, Ethnarch, Limond, Eager, Grebe, Stymie, Marconigram, Flying Missel, Buen Ojo, Franklin and Amber Rama (sire of Comeram).

Super Jet's four great grandsires are Northern Dancer, Mr. Prospector, Bold Ruler and Ribot, which gives a combination of brilliant and classic attributes.

Super Jet is out of Amelia Bearhart, better known as the dam of Chief Bearhart, who, being by another son of Danzig in Chief's Crown, is a three quarter brother to Super Jet.

The six-time Grade One winner Chief Bearhart shuttles between Japan and New Zealand, where he is the highest stakes earner ever to stand. Amelia Bearhart also produced the dual Grade One winner Explosive Red (by Explodent), Ruby Ransom (by Red Ransom) and two other stakes placegetters.

Amelia Bearhart's sire is Bold Hour, whose granddam is a half sister to Eight Thirty and from the family of War Admiral.

Of even greater interest however, is that Amelia Bearhart is out of a half sister to Mr. Prospector. This is the family of FRIZETTE (13) which also includes Baldric II, Sing Sing, Djeddah, Roan Rocket, Twenty Four Karat, Mukaddamah, Gregorian, Ferdinand, Jet Pilot, Lomond, Seattle Slew and Oman.

While there are many broodmares in Australia who may carry at least one of the above Frizette family members, not all have enough attributes all told for me to recommend them whole-heartedly. There are however, many that may qualify on that count as well as offering other points from which superior inheritance can emerge.

What are some of the broodmares sires that give a high opportunity to exploit the pedigree of Super Jet in Australia?

AIR DE FRANCE daughters create some strong linebreeding with Super Jet. His sire Seattle Slew is a FRIZETTE family member, as is Jet Pilot further back in Seattle Slew's dam's pedigree. This boosts the duplication of this line in Super Jet. Also duplicated are key ancestors such as Bold Ruler, Hail to Reason, Round Table and Native Dancer. Air De France carries three lines to War Admiral, who is from the family of Super Jet's damsire Bold Hour.

Seattle Slew also appears as grandsire of **AGINCOURT**. This son of Capote carries several gems through his dam also. She is by Conquistador Cielo, a *son* of Mr. Prospector, sex balancing the *daughter* of Mr. Prospector present in Super Jet (as Dayjur's damsire). Nashua, who is already present twice via the duplication of Mr. Prospector, appears again as Agincourt's second damsire. A magnificent, powerfully built horse, Nashua won 22 of his 30 starts in the USA in the 1940's.

Conquistador Cielo is also sire of **EL MOXIE**, giving another opportunity of sex balancing Mr. Prospector. A grandson of NATALMA, El Moxie also creates a sex balanced duplication of this prepotent mare, as Super Jet carries her son Northern Dancer on his tail male line. More sex balancing is created in this mating by Ribot, Turn-to and Native Dancer.

Mares by **TWENTY FOUR KARAT** have an obvious attraction in that he is a three-quarter brother to Mr. Prospector and half brother to Super Jet's second dam. A mating of Super Jet over a daughter of Twenty Four Karat creates linebreeding to **GOLD DIGGER** 5m, 4f x 3m.

Baldric II's sons **WITHOUT FEAR** and his three-quarter brother **HEAD OVER HEELS** also look good – while there are only a handful of their daughters still of productive breeding age, their granddaughters also have something to contribute. Baldric II is a **FRIZETTE** family member, boosting the duplication of this line in Super Jet.

Baldric II is by Round Table, who already appears in Super Jet through Dayjur's dam. Baldric's damsire Johnstown is damsire of Nashua, the sire of Gold Digger who is duplicated in Super Jet. Incidentally, Johnstown's sire Jamestown is also present in Super Jet (this time through a daughter) in the pedigree of his damsire Bold Hour.

SUCCESS EXPRESS mares make for a pretty mating with Super Jet. His sire Hold Your Peace is out of a mare by Eight Thirty, a half brother to the granddam of Bold Hour (damsire of Super Jet). Eight Thirty and Prince John in Hold Your Peace have a great record of success with Bold Ruler, who is prominent in Super Jet. Success Express traces to **FLAMBETTE**, also the ancestress of Johnstown who is duplicated in our subject sire.

BROCCO mares have similar attributes for Super Jet. With two lines to Eight Thirty in Brocco's pedigree as well as War Admiral, who also works well with Bold Ruler, we have another proven combo. Hail to Reason / Princequillo / Nashua crosses are present both in Dayjur's dam and in Kris S., sire of Brocco. This pattern repetition should be a great boost for the likelihood of success for such a mating.