

Reference Sires - Little Rock

Rock N'Roll (registered as Little Rock.)

1991 Holsteiner, grey stallion

Owner: HRH Princess Haya Bint Al Hussein.

Status: Retired from International Competition, Breeding.

Rocky as he is affectionately known, has always been a willing worker and tries hard to please. He has an excellent walk and canter with good balance and pushes off well. According to his performance test in Emilo "He has a good take off in jumping. He jumps back well and leaves the ground quickly. He has good technique of the foreleg and bascules well. The jump is finished well. Little Rock (Rock n'Roll), is careful and shows much scope. He gives the rider a good feeling."

He is fully approved for breeding with the Zangersheide Studbook (1995), the Holsteiner Verband (competed his performance test in 1994 at Munster-Handorf where he excelled in the jumping section and approved 1996) and KWPN (1999).

Rocky has competed at the top level in show jumping with great success including winning the World Championships for 6 years olds at Lanaken in 1997, and 1998 he was Grand Prix Champion of Rostock (12,500 DM) placed in the Heineken Prijs and the Rabobank Prijs at the CSI-A Arnhem, 11th in the 7 year old final of the World Breeding Championships in Lanaken and 7th at the CSI-A in Zuidlaren. In 1999 Rocky was placed in two CSI-A classes in Geesteren.

To the end of 2003 he has 39 foals registered with the KWPN from 41 coverings. HRH Princess Haya purchased Little Rock from Poncho Romo in the year 2000, and changed his name to "Rock n'Roll". He competed highly successfully with Princess Haya 2000-2004. Most notably he was the horse on which she qualified for the 2002 World Equestrian Games Jerez on, in Nations Cup, at CSIO Gijon 2001.

He was bred to Lucilla in 2002 and produced a colt foal named "Riverdance."

Interestingly, all horses are known to trace back to one of three founding fathers, the Godolphin Arabian, the Darley Arabian, and the Byrely Arabian.

HH Sheikh Mohammad named his racing company "Godolphin", and his breeding empire "Darley" after these famous Arabian sires. Out of curiosity HRH Princess Haya decided to see how Rock N'Roll was related to these stallions.

Rocky's sire LANDARIS traces back two generations on his dam side to a stallion called CORDELABRYERE who was by RANTZAU XX, he traced back to ECLIPSE through SON IN LAW and TOUCHSTONE, to the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN.

On Rocky's dam line, there is a big influence of ST SIMON, leading back to the DARLEY ARABIAN, but Rocky's dam KOLLET also has the print of the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN through the dam line of LORD CLIFTON, who was called THE SLAVE, who was by MELBOURNE, who also leads back to the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN.

Hence the 'Father of the Turf' THE GODOLPHIN ARABIAN has stamped Rocky on both his sire and dam lines.



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Little Rock Hol	Landaris	Landgraf I	Ladykiller
			Warthburg
		Tharina	Cantares
			Kliechee
	Kolett	Roman	Ramzes
			Dorette
		Borade	Aldato
			Ahne