



Naseem
AL RASHEDIAH

Returns On His Path To Glory

William Shakespeare, the most famous dramatist of all time, wrote in one of his plays that “some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them”. Looking at the lustrous career of the reigning Straight Egyptian World Champion Stallion, Naseem Al Rashediah (Al Adeed Al Shaqab x Nabaweyyah Ezzain by Ansata Almurtaajiz), I am under the impression that he personifies not one, but all three types of greatness as defined by the famous English playwright. Being one of the most spectacular young stallions of our times, Naseem combines his noble heritage with amazing achievements as a successful show champion and a superb sire. Simply a show horse supreme and already a proven producer at the young age of seven, he seems to have achieved it all. Is there

anything left for this gorgeous grey stallion to prove in the prime of his life? Actually, he does not need to prove anything but he has all the potential to go one step further and make history as the first Straight Egyptian horse in the recent years to successfully compete against the finest horses of mixed origin. As befits a double SE World Champion Stallion in both Junior and Senior categories, Naseem steps into the 2021 show season on a high note, participating in one of the most prestigious championships organised on the Old Continent, The Mediterranean and Arab Countries Arabian Horse Championships held annually in Menton, a fashionable tourist centre in the French Riviera, just a stone's throw from the Franco-Italian border. However, Naseem is no stranger to the spectacular scenery of the Menton







show, which for the last 30 years have gathered the most remarkable representatives of the Arabian breed. In 2017, as a three-year-old, he became Silver Champion Junior Colt, beating such incredible individuals as the charismatic Cyclone OS (RFI Farid x Inspired Najla by Ajman Moniscione), many times international champion. This year, Naseem comes back in his fame and glory of the reigning SE World Champion to once again prove that he was born great to become even greater.

Which attributes are necessary for an Arabian horse

to achieve greatness? Is it the exquisite Arabian type, aristocratic refinement, noble presence, commanding charisma, correct conformation or powerful movement? There is one simple answer: a perfectly balanced combination of all these qualities is the recipe for success in the showring. However, achieving greatness may be much more challenging than it seems, especially for a breeding stallion. Not only does he need to become a recognised show champion, but he is also required to prove himself in a breeding barn by repeatedly stamping



AL ADEED AL SHAQAB

Naseem AL RASHEDIAH

NABAWEYAH EZZAIN



ANSATA HALIM SHAH

SUNDAR ALISAYYAH

ANSATA IBN HALIMA

ANSATA ROSETTA

RUMINAJA ALI

IMPERIAL SAYYAH

NAZEER

HALIMA

ANSATA SHAH ZAMAN

ANSATA BINT BUKRA

SHAIKH AL BADI

BINT MAGIDAA

KAYED

MALEKAT EL GAMAL

ANSATA ALMURTAJIZ

NK NAKKEBYA

ANSATA HEJAZI

ANSATA SAMSARA

NK HAFID JAMIL

NK NABEELAH

ANSATA HALIM SHAH

ANSATA SUDARRA

PRINCE FA MONIET

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Mr. Abdulrahman Al Jasmi owner of Al Rashediah Stud and Rashed, Milan SEWC 2017

his offspring with the most desirable of his own traits. For some, breeding such a horse is just a dream, while for others, it becomes reality.

The determination, engagement and passion of the whole team at the world-famous Al Rashediah Stud in Bahrain and a unique breeding philosophy of Mr. Rashed Abdulrahman Al Jasmi have resulted in breeding an incomparable individual who is on a good path to become a living legend. All the way through, Rashed was fully supported by his father, Mr. Abdulrahman Al Jasmi, who has trusted in his vision from the moment Al Rashediah was established in 2007. Also, the help and dedication of the recently appointed general manager of the stud, Franck Boetto, should not be underestimated or forgotten, as he is the one who takes care of the physical and mental wellbeing of the Al Rashediah priceless pearls. Surrounded by people that love and care about him, Naseem Al Rashediah is much more than a promising young stallion. With his extraordinary record of accomplishment, both in the showring and in the breeding barn, he has already gained a reputation of one of the most sensational and successful young stallions in the Straight Egyptian breeding world. A world that undoubtedly has its challenges and limitations due to a fairly restricted number of existing SE bloodlines. But the breeder of Naseem, being fully aware of his greatness, have no desire to limit his influence to the SE world alone.

According to Rashed Al Jasmi, Naseem's greatness needs to be shared with the world as *"he has several very important and desirable characteristics that are much needed*



in the Arabian horse world, particularly in the Straight Egyptian horse. He is a balanced, correct and complete horse with a heart-stopping charisma, a refined, almost perfectly shaped head and astonishing black skin". Franck Boetto adds his own opinion on the stallion, saying that *"Naseem is the pure essence of the Arabian horse; a unique SE stallion of an extremely refined type, eye-catching charisma, correct conformation and powerful movement, which brings him closer to today's show horse standard and allows him to compete against the best representatives of the breed".* It would be difficult not to agree with Rashed and Franck. This strikingly handsome young stallion has it all: an authentic Arabian type that goes hand in hand with a harmonious, well-balanced build and an alluring magnetism that captivates both the spectators and the judges. As if it was not enough, Naseem has been blessed with an exotic, perfectly proportioned head

with small, beautifully shaped ears, black intelligent eyes, deep round jowls and dark vascular muzzle, which combined with a long elegant neck, set highly on a well-muscled shoulder, short back and impressive upright tail carriage, create a picture of an Arabian stallion that is close to perfection.

All these superb qualities Naseem exhibited from the day he was born. This is how Rashed remembers this special moment: *"I was so excited when I saw Naseem for the first time! He was one of our first foals by Al Adeed Al Shaqab. More importantly, he possessed all the qualities and conformational traits that we were hoping to get from crossing his sire with his dam. These two beautiful but very different types of SE horses in both conformation and pedigree produced a young colt that not only exhibited the best features of both his sire and dam, but also represented*

much needed diversity of bloodlines. He seemed to realize from birth that he was destined for greatness and he proudly showed off his beautiful head with extremely large black eyes and a remarkably refined muzzle. He had an excellent sloping shoulder with a neck that was wonderfully set and shaped. His back was short and he possessed a deep loin and excellent strong hip and croup, topped off with a tail that he held up high and straight. He also possessed all the charisma that could be packed into such a young colt. We could not have been more delighted!"

Just one look at Naseem's impressive pedigree is enough to understand where his classic Arabian type and distinct desert beauty come from. Without a doubt, his greatness stems from the concentration of legendary individuals in his bloodlines as well as the genetic diversity of his sire and dam. Being a direct descendant of the legendary



Unanimous Golden SEWC Stallion: 2020 Champion Stallion



Nazeer, Naseem proudly carries on the legacy of Saklawi I 1886, the most significant and successful sire line of today. Sired by the World Champion Stallion Al Adeed Al Shaqab and out of a beautiful bay Ansata Hejazi granddaughter Nabaweyyah Ezzain, Naseem combines the most desirable traits of both bloodlines. Even though his sire and dam were genotypically and phenotypically different, the final outcome in the form of a gorgeous grey colt proved that this combination was a match made in heaven. Naseem's unforgettable sire, Al Adeed Al Shaqab, himself the embodiment of an excellent Arabian stallion, was a very successful show horse and a sire of great significance. Many times national and international champion, in 2003 Al Adeed reached for the well-deserved World Champion Stallion title, the most prestigious trophy in his spectacular career. His influence as a breeding stallion should not be underestimated. As the last and, at the same time, the most prominent son of Ansata Halim Shah, he was widely used across SE and non-SE breeding programmes in the Middle East, Europe and in the





RESULTS

GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

SENIOR STALLIONS

*Straight Egyptian World
Championship 2020*

SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

JUNIOR MALE

*Menton, Mediterranean & Arab Countries
Arabian Horse Championship 2017*

GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

JUNIOR COLTS

*Straight Egyptian World
Championship 2017*

AWARDS

*2016 Straight Egyptian
World Championship
- Best in Show Males*

*2016 Straight Egyptian
World Championship
- Best Head Males*

*2017 Menton
Mediterranean & Arab Countries
Arabian Horse Championship
- Best Movement Junior Males
- Best Straight Egyptian*

*2020 Straight Egyptian
World Championship
- Best in Show Males
- Best Sire*

USA. Every inch his father's son, Naseem exhibits many traits that Al Adeed Al Shaqab inherited from his own outstanding sire. Ansata Halim Shah, who is considered one the most influential Straight Egyptian Arabians of the 20th century, was highly admired for his abundant Arabian type and perfectly balanced conformation. An even closer look at Naseem's lineages reveals the extent of Nazeer's incomparable influence on both his genotype and phenotype. Ansata Ibn Halima and Morafic, who are considered the cornerstones of the breed as well as Nazeer's most prominent sons, appear in Naseem's pedigree several times. With all the unpredictability of breeding, such a concentration of priceless genes must have resulted in a superior individual. The excellence of Saklawi I sire line in Naseem's genotype and phenotype is further enhanced by his exceptional dam, the reigning queen of the Al Rashediah Stud -Nabaweyyah Ezzain. This priceless pearl of Bahrain once again confirmed her value as a broodmare during the 2020 Straight Egyptian World Championships, where Naseem's maternal half-brother Al Ghazi Al Rashediah (by Jamil Al Rayyan) became Gold Junior Champion Colt.

Naseem's illustrious show career bears a striking resemblance to his sire's amazing achievements. He

clearly follows in Al Adeed Al Shaqab's footsteps and he definitely did not say his final word as a show champion. As a two-year-old colt, he already reached for the highest trophy at the 2016 Straight Egyptian World Championships. He won his class with a very high score of 93.38 points and became unanimous Gold Junior Champion Colt. Only a year after his triumph at the SE World Championships, he proved that he can compete with non-SE Arabians too and achieve amazing success. At the 2017 Menton show, Naseem again stood on the podium as a Silver Junior Champion Colt. However, it was his most recent win during the 2020 Straight Egyptian World Championships in Milan that established him as a showring phenomenon. With a spectacular score of 93.88 points, including maximum notes for type, head and neck and 2x20 for movement, Naseem remained undefeated throughout the whole show. Not only did he become unanimous Gold Champion Stallion, but he also reinforced his leading position with the unanimous Best in Show Male title.

Rashed seemed very pleased but not overly surprised with the wonderful victory of his stallion: "Overall, Naseem has a sense of confidence about himself and he easily



shows it. He is easy to manage and handle, but in a blink of an eye he turns into a fiery and beautiful show horse that demands everyone's attention! He is a natural born ruler!" His most recent presentation confirmed that he is the unquestionable King of the Ring! And he knows it! He carries himself with such confidence and dignity that all eyes are on him when he enters the showring.

As befits a fully accomplished stallion, Naseem rules not only in the showring, but also in the breeding barn. His progeny are the living proof of their sire's great genetic

prepotency. His fantastic foals follow his lead as show champions, repeatedly winning the highest trophies at some of the most prestigious shows. It is enough to mention the most recent SE World Championships, where two outstanding yearlings by Naseem, an exotic grey filly Ayah Al Fala (out of Zumorroda Al Waab by Barraq El Aliya) and a handsome grey colt Salam Akmal (out of Salmma BKV by Mouadaar BKV), became unanimous Gold Champion Yearling Filly and Gold Champion Yearling Colt respectively. There is no better way to demonstrate the value of a sire than to



AYAH AL FALA *Naseem Al Rashediah | Zumorroda Al Waab. Bred & owned by Al Fala Stud*
Gold Medal Champion Yearling Fillies, SEWC 2020



SALAM AKMAL *Naseem Al Rashediah | Salmma BKV Bred & owned by Akmal Stud*
Gold Medal Champion Yearling Colts SEWC 2020

have his two foals reaching for Gold Champion titles in the yearling sections at the same time as their father becomes Gold Champion as a senior stallion.

When I asked Rashed about his favourite offspring by Naseem, this is what he told me: *"Well, this is a difficult question as my favourite foal by him changes constantly. I am often amazed at the shows when each of his foals ends up beating the next. I will not be surprised if tomorrow my opinion will change again. I shall leave it to the breeders to decide which cross with Naseem works best in their opinion."* Franck added his own bit to it: *"Naseem is already a proven producer, with many outstanding offspring around the globe, all of whom have the same Naseem look, personality and characteristics. This is what the breeders need to change the future of the Straight Egyptian Arabian horse."*

Naseem surely is a remarkable representative of the breed. What is the best word to describe him? According to his breeder and owner it is *"Extraordinary! There is nothing every-day or ordinary about this stallion. He possesses that rare combination of a spectacular classic pedigree with excellent conformation and extreme type that he consistently passes onto his offspring. In my opinion, there could not be a more relevant SE stallion in the world today. Due to his diverse bloodlines and excellent refinement and type, he is a sight for sore eyes for breeders that are looking for ways to move their breeding programmes forward."*

Naseem's undoubtable extraordinariness reinforces Rashed's confidence in his capabilities to compete and win in Menton. When asked about his feelings regarding this year's participation, he said without hesitation: *"on pins and needles; anxious, nervous, and stressed is exactly the opposite to what I am feeling right now. I am surprisingly calm yet eager and full of excitement to see Naseem do what he does best, which is beating the odds, as he already did as a young colt in the same showring. However, this time he comes back for the title that he truly deserves, not only in my opinion but also in the view of the wider Arabian horse community. I cannot be more thankful and touched by all the support shown from numerous breeders and trainers who belong to the Arabian horse world that we all truly love and cherish".* After reflecting for a moment, Rashed added: *"Naseem's participation in Menton shall drastically change the future of the Arabian horse breed, especially the Straight Egyptian one. I think it is about time for the breed to be set on the right course towards a brighter future for all breeders so that this special breed can advance and evolve to the levels we would not*

have expected. It has been said that history is written by the victorious, particularly by those who shall not yield until the victory and throne are rightfully theirs. That is Naseem's road ahead and that is what he will do and he shall so do so righteously and victoriously as he was born great, has achieved greatness, and has had greatness thrust upon him." Franck Boetto also seemed to be pretty positive about Naseem's upcoming performance in France: *"Naseem is the new generation of Straight Egyptian horse. With complete conformation and amazing attitude, he is an excellent show horse but, at the same time, he has not lost the typical Egyptian look. He has already proven his value as a show champion winning the 2020 SE World Championships in Milan, which was a dream come true and one of the most emotional moments in my career."*

Is Naseem an ideal Arabian horse? If we ever get to the point where we breed an Arabian horse that has no flaws, the whole idea of breeding will no longer make sense. Is Naseem close to perfection? Both his impressive show career and his successes as a breeding stallion leave no doubt that he sets a standard which reaches far beyond the Straight Egyptian breeding world. Is Naseem the embodiment of greatness? Without a doubt, the reigning Straight Egyptian World Champion Stallion continues to grow more beautiful each year while also becoming invaluable as a sire. Is Naseem ready to claim the throne in Menton? At a very young age, he has already achieved more than most Straight Egyptian Arabians manage to achieve throughout their entire lifetimes or even generations. And that would not be the first time when, against all odds, he makes his mark on the Menton showground.

When William Shakespeare was writing "Twelfth Night" more than 400 years ago, he surely did not expect that his words will be still valid in the 21st century. In his wildest dreams, he could not have imagined that his poetic verses will be used to describe an Arabian stallion. But this stallion is far from being one of many. He is a remarkable representative of both the Straight Egyptian horse and the entire breed who fully deserves this honour and privilege. Naseem has all the potential to make history; not only his own personal story of success but also the history of the Arabian breed. Make sure not to miss this amazing opportunity to experience greatness in its purest form. Just witness Naseem's performance in Menton and see how he proudly continues his path to glory. The young King in the making is more than ready to rightfully reclaim the throne. □



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The value is proven.

The path has been crossed.

Menton was a tough competition, many possible champions stepped on the ground of this important arena to win. Naseem in the hands of Giacomo Capacci has shown to the world its inestimable value, bringing to Menton its unmistakable genetics of Straight Egyptian and the pure essence of the Arabian horse. By winning the bronze medal in Menton and the most beautiful head as a stallion he confirmed that he is an excellent representative of the breed and a winner. With this medal and the special trophy he told the world that a change in the Straight Egyptian world is taking place and that he is the bearer of this change.

The road has been crossed, from now on the honor and privilege that the Straight Egyptians deserve will become a standard because the foundation stone of this road has been laid. By him and by his breeder Al Jasmi Family of Al Rashediah Stud.

Naseem Al Rashediah will forever be credited with setting a standard beyond the world of straight Egyptians. He has years of satisfaction ahead of him and still a road of growth and success. This is just the beginning of his rise.





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The change has begun and it also passes through the emotion of the shows and the spirit with which Straight Egyptian presents itself to the world.

The Naseem Straight Egyptian Cup is the first edition of a new show dedicated only to straight Egyptian horses. The organizers of Milan International Show decided together with Tutto Arabi and Desert Heritage Magazine to celebrate the glory and the amazing results of the Best Straight Egyptian Stallion nowadays: Naseem Al Rashediah, giving him a special equine bronze sculptures made in America by Judy and Kim Nordquist and named Desert Wind. This was a gift as the recognition of the importance that Naseem and Al Rashediah Stud represent in the Arab horse world. A recognition that also brings with it an encouragement to all the breeders of straight Egyptian to breed and participate at high levels and to the organizers to propose more and more opportunities to show the value of straight Egyptian horses to the world. An encouragement that was taken by the breeders who brought to compete in the Naseem Straight Egyptian Cup as many as 30 straight Egyptians of the highest level. Naming the Straight Egyptian Cup after Naseem, born from the visionary idea of Mr. Rashed Al Jasmi of Al Rashediah,

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is to communicate to the world the very real possibility of reaching the top and represents the admiration the Arabian horse world has for the excellent embodiment of greatness in its purest form represented by Naseem.

Naseem won the World Straight Egyptian Title in 2016 as Colt, he was nominated Best in Show Male and Best Head, he won again the World Straight Egyptian Title in 2020 as Stallion and he was nominated Best in Show Male and Best Sire and Al Rashediah won the title of Best Farm of the Year, he was Silver Champion as Colt in Menton A Show 2017 and Bronze Stallion, Best Head and Best Straight Egyptians Horse as a Stallion in Menton A Show 2021.



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A horse like no other, a straight Egyptian stallion that can compete at major level with purebred Arabians. Naseem was presented and trained in all his successes by Giacomo Capacci who together with his team gave his best to reach such important results.

The future certainly looks bright for the world of straight Egyptian Arabian horses. Thanks to Naseem Al Rashediah the world knows that straight Egyptians can have their say in an international context of Arabian horses and reach the top. Many will listen to this message and following Naseem's example - and as he is doing now and after him - will become protagonists of a new era.





Naseem's progeny AROUND THE WORLD



AREEB AL NASSER

Naseem Al Rashediah | Loulou Al Nasser



ADALLAH AL RASHEDIAH

Naseem Al Rashediah | Aroub Al Rashediah



PALERMO AT

Naseem Al Rashediah | Penelope KA



GJ AMIRA DEENAA

Naseem Al Rashediah | Pashmina

Naseem Al Rashediah | Nailla De Bloostone
 2021 grey purebred Arabian colt
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Naseem Al Rashediah | Nowara S Glam
 2020 grey colt



NASHMI AL RASHEDIAH
Naseem Al Rashediah | Maghribia



RAZAN AL JOOD
Naseem Al Rashediah | FH Sharuby Rose
 2021 bay Straight Egyptian filly



HANAYA SADEEKAH
Naseem Al Rashediah | Sahara by Al Whaid



Naseem Al Rashediah | Al Jazi Al Nasser
 filly bred and owned by Al Nasser Stud



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