

Glenn Jacobs and the Living Art of the Arabian Horse



Top left: **GJ Faheem**, winning *Katara Peninsula Gold Champion Stallion* for two consecutive years, in 2024 with Giacomo Capacci and in 2025 with Glenn Schoukens.

Top right: Glenn Jacobs and **Johara Al Naif**, winning *World Champion Junior Filly* in Paris in 2002 - Owned by Al Naif Stud.

When **Glenn Jacobs** arrived in Qatar twenty-five years ago, he entered a world where the Arabian horse is not simply admired – it is honored. In the desert light, surrounded by a culture that holds the breed close to its heart, what began as fascination quietly deepened into a lifelong devotion. Years of hands-on experience, careful study, and an unwavering vision have shaped Glenn into the breeder he is today – one guided by the timeless qualities that make an Arabian unforgettable.

Raised in Belgium and trained in a discipline that values precision and balance, Glenn developed an eye for structure, symmetry, and presence – qualities that later translated naturally into his work with horses. To him, the Arabian horse is a rare harmony of opposites: refinement and strength, tradition and individuality. There is a kind of poetry in the breed's silhouette – an elegance that feels ancient, yet forever new.

Hadiya Al Shahania, by Al Adeed Al Shaqab and Johara Al Naif by Ansata Shalim - Ansata Majesta tail female line.

Over the years, Glenn earned his reputation through serious work among some of the Gulf's finest bloodstock. At **Al Naif Stud** in Qatar, he deepened his expertise in the **Straight Egyptian** strain – celebrated for its purity, charisma, and unmistakable type. That period shaped his philosophy as a breeder: patient development, uncompromising standards, and a deep respect for what each horse is born to be. His goal is never to force a look, but to reveal it – so that every horse can express the classic Arabian ideal with honesty and brilliance.

Today, as **Stable Manager of Doha Stud**, Glenn oversees the horses' daily care and long-term development. He monitors health and condition, manages training and routines, and prepares each horse for competition so it arrives fit, confident, and correctly presented. He also runs the stable like any top horse farm – leading staff and coordinating day-to-day operations, from feeding and grooming schedules to logistics and barn standards.



The Heart's Foundation: *Hadiya Al Shahania*

In a highly competitive breeding environment, Glenn's private program is intentionally boutique – built on quality over quantity. He owns only a small number of horses and does not produce foals every year, choosing instead to breed only when a pairing truly supports his long-term vision. At the center of that vision stands one extraordinary mare: **Hadiya Al Shahania**, a Straight Egyptian treasure and the foundation of his breeding program.

Hadiya's pedigree reflects generations of excellence. She is sired by Paris Salon du Cheval World Champion Al Adeed Al Shaqab, and out of the ethereal World Champion mare **Johara Al Naif** – a mare Glenn has been closely connected to from the beginning. Johara captured his heart from the moment she was born, and presenting her to World Champion honors in Paris only strengthened that bond. Having her daughter has been, for Glenn, not only a privilege but a responsibility: a continuation of a line he is committed to preserving and elevating. In this sense, Hadiya is more than a foundation mare – she is the reference point for the type, quality, and character Glenn wants to carry forward, and the quiet anchor that keeps his program true.

Though Glenn's program is small, its voice is resonant. Two maternal siblings out of Hadiya have become powerful proof of his "quality over quantity" approach: **GJ Faheem** (by Naseem Al Rashediah) and **GJ Majestica** (by Majd Al Qusar). Both have earned winning titles at the **Katara Peninsula International Arabian Horse Festival**, one of the most prestigious showcases of the breed. Their achievements reinforce a core principle of Glenn's program: when the mare line is strong and the pairing is chosen with purpose, excellence is the natural outcome.

GJ Faheem, a stallion of luminous presence, has emerged as one of the most decorated Straight Egyptians of recent years, frequently earning top scores across both male and female divisions in highly competitive show rings.



Left: **GJ Majestica**, photographed as a foal, with Glenn's son Jayden.

Right: **LD Al Faisal**, owned by Abdulrahman Al Nassar, Glenn Jacobs and Dr Jose De Andrade.

A Family Portrait in the Desert

For Glenn, breeding is not a solitary pursuit – it is a family legacy in the making. He is supported by his wife, **Greseldis**, whose encouragement and involvement are part of the program's foundation. Their young son, **Jayden**, already shares a genuine love for the horses, making the work something the family lives together rather than something Glenn carries alone – an everyday rhythm of care, anticipation, and quiet pride.

Looking ahead, Glenn is especially excited about **LD Al Faisal**, a young colt with a distinct and individual type. He represents a new direction of promise – an opportunity to shape the next chapter of the program while remaining faithful to the Straight Egyptian ideals at its core.

For Glenn Jacobs, every breeding decision is an act of intention: a careful effort to honor the ancestry of the Arabian horse while continuing to refine its beauty, presence, and quality. In Qatar – where tradition moves like a warm wind across the sand – his vision has found its home. And with each thoughtfully chosen pairing, he adds another line to a story written in heritage, devotion, and the enduring romance of the Arabian horse.

IT IS A FAMILY AFFAIR!

Hadliya

Al Shahania

By Paris World Champion Stallion
Al Adeed Al Shaqab

Out of Paris World Champion Junior Filly
Johara Al Naif

Maternal sister to Egyptian World Champion Mare
Nardene Al Naif

Dam of International Show Winners
GJ Faheem & GJ Majestica

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Highest Scoring Horse of the Show

Gold Champion Stallion | 92.79%

Katara International Peninsula Arabian Horse Show

Highest Scoring Horse of the Show

Gold Champion Stallion | 93.20%

Qatar International Peninsula Souq Waqif Horse Show

Gold Champion Stallion | 92.50%

Kuwait International Fakhar Al Arab Horse Show

2024

Gold Champion Stallion | 93.29%

Katara International Peninsula Arabian Horse Show

Gold Champion Stallion | 92.50%

Qatar International Peninsula Souq Waqif Horse Show

2023

Silver Champion Stallion | 92.94%

Katara International Peninsula Arabian Horse Show

Highest Scoring Male & Silver Champion Stallion | 93.10%

Qatar International Peninsula Souq Waqif Horse Show

Highest Scoring Male & Bronze Champion Stallion | 92.70%

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CONGRATULATIONS

to Sheikh Khaled Jassim Al Thani on the purchase of GJ Majestica.
We wish you every success and the very best of luck with her
throughout her future career.

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