



PEDIGREE PROFILE

Belgravia well-bred, but Classic distances might be just out of reach

Belgravia, a bright chestnut Mr. Greeley colt, remained unbeaten on November 18 with a nose win over the fast-closing Dilemma in the seven-furlong Hollywood Prevue Stakes (G3) at Hollywood Park.

An athletic looking two year old, Belgravia previously scored a 1¼ length win in his career debut on October 18 at Keeneland Race Course.

He was purchased for \$2-million in February at the Fasig-Tipton Florida select two-year-olds in training sale for the partnership of Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor, and Zayat Stables.

Bred in Kentucky by Margaret Patterson and Spendthrift Farm, Belgravia is the first stakes winner for his dam, the listed stakes winning

Stalwart mare Peaks Mill.

Belgravia's immediate family is highlighted by his dam's half sister, Demoiselle Stakes (G1) winner Qualique, who has become best known as the granddam of last year's champion three year old and dual classic winner, Afleet Alex.

Belgravia is from the eighth crop of the Gone West stallion Mr. Greeley, an ample source of quality juveniles, sprinters, and milers on both dirt and turf. Mr. Greeley, who stands at Gainesway in Lexington for a 2007 fee of \$75,000, has also been represented this year by champion European juvenile filly Finsceal Beo and Del Mar Futurity (G2) winner Horse Greeley.

The most interesting pattern in Belgravia's pedigree would appear to be the 4x4 cross of the half brothers Secretariat and Sir Gaylord, creating inbreeding to their common dam, 1973 Broodmare of the Year Somethingroyal.

Does Belgravia's pedigree suggest he can get a classic distance? The most reliable indicators are ambiguous, at best.

Mr. Greeley has yet to sire the winner of a major race at 1¼ miles or beyond. Similarly, Peaks Mill, a winner of four of her nineteen starts, never won beyond seven furlongs.

The daughters of Stalwart have produced a total of 45 SWs, but only last weekend's Japan Dirt Cup (Jpn-1) winner Friendship (by French Deputy) won a major contest at or beyond a mile and a quarter.

Then again, this is the family of Afleet Alex, scion of another speed laden branch of the Mr. Prospector male line.

Nonetheless, Belgravia carries far fewer stamina influences than



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BELGRAVIA

Belgravia, ch. c., 2004				
Mr. Greeley 92 662 fls, 34 SWs SI 1.70 DI=4.85	Gone West 84 6 wins, \$682,251, SW 968 fls, 84 SWs SI 2.73 DI=4.52	Mr. Prospector 70 1178 fls, 180 SWs SI 5.08 DI=3.95	Raise a Native 61	Native Dancer 50 Raise You 46
		Secrettame 78 15 fls, 2 SWs DI=3.17	Gold Digger 62	Nashua 52 Sequence 46
	Long Legend 78 4 wins, \$24,293 16 fls, 2 SWs DI=4.87	Reviewer 66 173 fls, 19 SWs SI 3.23 DI=3.57	Secretariat 70	Bold Ruler 54 Somethingroyal 52
		Lianga 71 10 fls, 1 SW DI=4.60	Tamerett 62	Tim Tam 55 *Mixed Marriage 52
Peaks Mill 94 4 fls, 1 SW DI=2.16	Stalwart 79 4 wins, \$528,595, SW 721 fls, 55 SWs SI 1.33 DI=2.00	Hoist the Flag 68 246 fls, 51 SWs SI 5.38 DI=0.58	Bold Ruler 54	*Nasrullah 40 Miss Disco 44
		Yes Dear Maggy 72 12 fls, 1 SW DI=2.38	Broadway 59	Hasty Road 51 Fillabout 45
	Dorothy Gaylord 72 Unraced 11 fls, 2 SWs DI=2.75	*Sensitivo 57 304 fls, 19 SWs SI 1.23 DI=2.50	Dancer's Image 65	Native Dancer 50 Noors Image 53
		Gaylord's Touch 65 11 fls, 1 SW DI=2.83	Leven Ones 61	Sailor 52 Olympia Dell 53
		Tom Rolfe 62	*Ribot 52 Pocahontas 55	
		Wavy Navy 54	War Admiral 34 *Triomphe 47	
		Iron Ruler 65	Never Bend 60 Obedient 45	
		Yes Dear 63	Prince John 53 Blue Moon 48	
		=Sideral (Arg) 48	=Seductor (Arg) 43 =Starling (GB) 39	
		=Ternura (Arg) 47	=Embrujo (Arg) 36 =Bien Aimee (Arg) 39	
		Sir Gaylord 59	*Turn-to 51 Somethingroyal 52	
		Noble Touch 58	Crafty Admiral 48 Quick Touch 46	

his champion relative, leading one to suggest the Triple Crown trail might prove to be a furlong or two beyond this talented colt's reach.

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