



## PEDIGREE PROFILE

# Deep, rich pedigree shows Angara has more than a little potential

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Facing a particularly talented field of turf distaffers, Angara (GB) notched her first Grade



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1 victory last Saturday when taking the \$750,000 Beverly D. Stakes by a neck over the gallant Megahertz (GB).

Unraced at two, the English-bred, four-year-old daughter of Alzao

### ANGARA

won two of four starts in France at age three before her import to the United States late last year.

With five wins from 14 career starts, her share of the Beverly D. purse nearly tripled her career earnings to \$686,845. Earlier in the season, Angara won the Bewitch Stakes (G3), ran second in the Sheepshead Bay Handicap (G2), and was third in the Diana Handicap (G1).

Bred by the Wildenstein family's Dayton Investments Ltd., Angara is the third winner out of the placed Alleged mare Ange Bleu. Her older half sister Actrice was a Group 2 winner in France, while full sister Arlesienne earned black-type in a listed French stakes race.

Angara's highly decorated immediate family is anchored by her granddam, the stakes-placed winning Irish River (Fr) mare Albertine (Fr), the first dam of two group/graded stakes winners and the second dam of several others.

Albertine's son, French Group 1 winner Arcangues, is best known for winning the 1993 Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) at odds of 133-to-1. She also is the granddam of classic-winning fillies Cape Verdi and Aquarelliste.

Angara hails from the 16<sup>th</sup>-crop of the pure-breeding, bay Lyphard stallion Alzao, who

Angara (GB), b. f., 2001			
Alzao 80 1213 fls, 100 SWs SI 1.63 DI=2.50	Lyphard 69 6 wins, \$195,427, SW 830 fls, 115 SWs SI 3.69 DI=4.33	Northern Dancer 61 635 fls, 147 SWs SI 5.82 DI=3.00	Nearctic 54 Natalma 57
	*Lady Rebecca 71 2 wins, \$26,434, SW 7 fls, 1 SW DI=2.72	Goofed 60 12 fls, 3 SWs DI=2.29	*Court Martial 42 *Barra II 50
		Sir Ivor 65 804 fls, 94 SWs SI 3.18 DI=2.69	Sir Gaylord 59 Attica 53
	Ange Bleu 94 5 fls, 3 SWs DI=1.19	Alleged 74 9 wins, \$623,187 Champion 949 fls, 100 SWs SI 2.91 DI=1.37	Pocahontas 55 9 fls, 5 SWs DI=1.63
Hoist the Flag 68 246 fls, 51 SWs SI 5.38 DI=0.58			Tom Rolfe 62 Wavy Navy 54
Albertine (Fr) 81 2 wins, \$36,878, Spl 15 fls, 3 SWs DI=.78		Princess Pout 66 5 fls, 1 SW DI=1.00	Prince John 53 Determined Lady 59
		Irish River (Fr) 76 941 fls, 88 SWs SI 2.34 DI=4.33	Riverman 69 =Irish Star (Fr) 60
		=Almyre (Fr) 64 12 fls, 3 SWs DI=0.10	=Wild Risk (Fr) 40 =Ad Gloriam (Fr) 58

stands at Coolmore Stud in County Tipperary, Ireland. His 2005 fee was 7,500 euros (approximately \$9,600).

Angara became her sire's 100th stakes winner and 43rd group or graded stakes winner when she captured the Bewitch Stakes (G3) at Keeneland Race Course on April 27.

Always known as a "sire of fillies," Alzao's best offspring include Pass the Peace and Capricciosa (Ire), Irish champion juvenile fillies of 1988 and 1990, respectively, as well as European group winning femmes Alcando (Ire) and Alpride (Ire), a multiple Grade 1 winner in the United States.

Alzao also sired celebrated distaffer Alborada (GB), who beat males in winning the 1998 and '99 Dubai Champion Stakes (Eng-G1).

The closest inbreeding pattern in Angara's

pedigree is the 2X4 cross of the half siblings Lady Rebecca and Tom Rolfe—creating a duplication of their stakes-winning dam Pocahontas, recipient of Broodmare of the Year honors in 1965, the year Tom Rolfe was recognized as America's champion three-year-old male.

The crossing of complementary strains of this family (#9-h; founded by the great Claiborne matron The Squaw II) has been observed in the pedigrees of a remarkable number of other superior individuals over the past several decades, including multiple Grade 1 winner and leading sire Broad Brush.

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