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QATAR PRIX DE ROYALLIEU

PARISLONGCHAMP – Saturday, October 1

Sea la Rosa is a chip off the old block

Thirteen years ago, in 2009, a colt astounded the public at ParisLongchamp by winning the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, when he confirmed his status as a champion - 16 years after his dam, the iconic mare Urban Sea, had achieved a similar feat. His name? Sea the Stars. After this success, gained in the colours the Tsui family (the owners of Urban Sea), Sea the Stars took up stallion duties, and, logically, the Tsui family continued to hold great store in their champion by availing themselves to his progeny. Sea la Rosa is a case in point as the mare boasts the paternity of the sire.

A €200,000 purchase as a yearling at the Arqana sales, Sea la Rosa has more than justified her purchase price. Furthermore, on this Saturday card, she added a fourth Group victory to her CV, and her first at Group 1 level, by taking the Qatar Prix de Royallieu under Tom Marquand. The filly hails from the yard of the British-based trainer William Haggas. She beat the French filly Jannah Flower, trained at Chantilly by Pascal Bary, and her fellow British raider, Ottilien, who is trained by French national David Menuisier.

The technical result

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Group 1 – 3-y-olds and up fillies and mares - 2.800 metres (1m 6f) - 300.000 €

1st SEA LA ROSA

Jockey: Tom Marquand – Trainer: Wililam Haggas

2nd JANNAH FLOWER

Jockey: Stéphane Pasquier - Trainer: Pascal Bary

3rd OTTILIEN

Jockey: Olivier Peslier - Trainer : David Menuisier

WHAT CONNECTIONS SAID :

Christopher Tsui (the owner of Sea La Rosa, 1st) (GB)

« It's provided for a lot of emotion... I recall those moments, almost 30 years ago, when I was a child. Accompanied by my father, I witnessed the success of Urban Sea in the Arc... This story began with her and, since then, it has snowballed via Sea the Stars and his daughters,

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Sea Of Class and Sea la Rosa. It's been three years since I was last in France, following the outbreak of Covid. It was not an easy journey as there are no flights from Hong Kong, so it was quite a long journey! I 'm delighted with this victory, and also am very moved by it. We still have a runner tomorrow... Regarding the filly's next race, we will all get together and mull it over, nothing is decided yet. »

Pascal Bary (the trainer of Jannah Flower, 2nd) (Chantilly – Oise region)

« This second place is very encouraging. I've geared her whole season around this race. She is a filly who loves Longchamp, and she relished the fact that there was plenty of give in the ground. Jannah Flower could stay in training next year. »

David Menuisier (the trainer of Ottilien, 3rd) (Trained in Britain)

« When she won the Prix Turenne in Saint-Cloud, she needed this race. But she proved today that she's up to this class. I am very happy! We decided to slow the pace during the race, because despite the fact that nobody wanted to go to the front, we didn't want to set the race up for the rest of the field. She doesn't have a turn of foot but the filly does stay on, and we got beaten by two fillies who have a good turn of foot. I think she will stay in training at four. As she has had a light campaign, it's possible that she will run again this year. The first option is Ascot, and the second would be to supplement her for the Grosser Preis von Bayern which is run in Munich. I think that she would be hard to beat in Germany over 2,400 metres, and given heavy ground. »

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