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**STALLION ANALYSIS:
MORETTI**

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MORETTI

b.h. 2016 by Medaglia d'Oro – Rigoletta by Concerto

Moretti is a winner of 4 races, \$367,250, from two to four years, 8-10 furlongs, including Birdstone Stakes and Flat Out Stakes (by 5¼ lengths, beating classic winner Sir Winston); second Suburban Stakes (G2), beating Sir Winston and millionaire Mr. Buff; third Brooklyn Stakes (G2) and Birdstone Stakes.

Moretti is by Medaglia d'Oro, winner of 8 races, \$5,754,720, including Travers Stakes (G1), Whitney Handicap (G1), Donn Handicap (G1), Jim Dandy Stakes (G2), Oaklawn Handicap (G2), Strub Stakes (G2) and San Felipe Stakes (G2). Medaglia d'Oro is sire of 166 stakes winners, including Champions Rachel Alexandra, Songbird, Wonder Gadot, Vancouver, Passion For Gold, Golden Sixty and Souper Escape, as well as grade one winners Champagne d'Oro, Talismanic, Elate, Mshawish, Marketing Mix, Plum Pretty, Bar of Gold, New Money Honey, Higher Power, Coffee Clique, Astern, Cambier Parc, Dickinson, C.S. Silk, Lochte, Flit, Violence, Warrior's Reward, Gabby's Golden Gal, Crown Prosecutor, etc. Medaglia d'Oro has 16 stakes siring sons, eight of them graded stakes sires, including grade one sires Astern, Bay of Plenty and Violence, and leading freshman sire of 2022, Bolt d'Oro.

Moretti is half-brother to Battle of Midway (Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (G1), San Pasqual Staks (G2), Affirmed Stakes (G3), Native Diver Stakes (G3), Shared Belief Stakes). Moretti is out of the Oak Leaf Stakes (G1) winner Rigoletta, a half-sister to Almost a Valentine, dam of Patternrecognition (Cigar Mile Handicap (G1)) and stakes winners Florida Fuego and Lovesick.

His granddam, Almost Aprom Queen, a winning half-sister to stakes winners Sea of Green and Lady Gin (dam of stakes winner Queen Amira), and to Candlelightdinner, dam of Champion Female Sprinter Musical Romance (Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint (G1)). Moretti's fifth dam, stakes winner Cricket Club, is out of the Arlington-Washington Lassie Stakes winner, Clover Lane, a half-sister to Shakney, the granddam of champion racehorse and sire, Deputy Minister. Clover Lane's dam, Grass Shack, is closely related to Champion Sire Exclusive Native.

Moretti is a relative outcross, his only inbreeding within five generations being Northern Dancer 4x5.

Both he and his sire come from the 'L' mitochondrial haplogroup, and he is likely to be suited by mares from that haplogroup (or mares that are strongly linebred to their own mtDNA line).

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Moretti is out of a **Danzig** line mare, by crossing a stallion back over mares from his own broodmare sire line can often work well, and Medaglia d'Oro has done well with mares from this line. Although it is hard to find in the U.S., Medaglia d'Oro did extremely well with the **Danehill** branch of Danzig, including through **Exceed and Excel, Fastnet Rock, Redoute's Choice** and **Flying Spur**. Branches of Danzig more easily found in North America, and that have worked under Medaglia d'Oro are **Belong to Me** (who is out of a mare by Exclusive Native, a horse from the same female line as Moretti), **Hard Spun, Pine Bluff** and **War Chant**. Other sources of Danzig to consider are **Dayjur, Langfuhr** (sire of **Lawyer Ron**), **Boundary** (sire of **Big Brown**, who would be particularly interesting here, as he has Nureyev, a three-quarters brother to Sadler's Wells, the grandsire of Medaglia d'Oro, and is inbred to this family) **Exchange Rate** and **War Front** (who is particularly interesting as he is out of a Fappiano line mare), himself sire of **Air Force Blue, Data Link** (who is bred similarly to the dam of Moretti), **Declaration of War, Hit It a Bomb, Summer Front** and **The Factor**.

Danzig is a **Northern Dancer** line horse, and another branch of that line to do well under Medaglia d'Oro is a **Nureyev**, a three-quarters brother to Sadler's Wells the grandsire of Medaglia d'Oro. On the cross with this line, Medaglia d'Oro sired a grade one winner out of a mare by **Ashkalani**, and there is a stakes winner by a son of Medaglia d'Oro out of a mare by **Shakespeare** a son of **Theatrical** (also sire of **Noactor** and **Royal Anthem**). Other sons of

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Nureyev who have stood in the U.S. including **Atticus**, **Fasliyev**, **Stravinsky** and **Unusual Heat**.

Certain sons of **Storm Cat** have worked under Medaglia d'Oro. **Bluegrass Cat** is broodmare sire of two grade one by El Prado line stallions, one by a son of Medaglia d'Oro. **Stormy Atlantic**, who comes from the same family as Sadler's Wells, the grandsire of Medaglia d'Oro is broodmare sire of two stakes winners by sons of Medaglia d'Oro. **Hennessy** is broodmare sire of two stakes winners and a grade one placed horse by Medaglia d'Oro and sons, which suggests mares by **Scat Daddy**.

Moretti is from the family of **Deputy Minister** and out of mares from this line, Medaglia d'Oro has a stakes winner out of a mare by **Awesome Again**, and two stakes winners out of mares by his son **Ghostzapper**, which also suggests mares by Awesome Again sons **Paynter** and **Oxbow**. From another branch of the **Deputy Minister** line there is a stakes winner out of a mare by **Dehere**, who is a Northern Dancer/Secretariat cross like Chief's Crown, who is in the sire line of the dam of the mare.

Medaglia d'Oro has a grade one and a grade two winner out of mares by **Kris S.**, sire of **Arch** (himself sire of grandsire of **Blame**, particularly interesting as he gives inbreeding to the family of Medaglia d'Oro), **Rock Hard Ten** (broodmare sire of a Medaglia d'Oro line stakes winner), **Prized** and **You And I**. Kris S. is by Roberto, from the Hail to Reason branch of Turn-to, and from the Sir Ivor branch of that line Medaglia d'Oro and sons have seven stakes winners out of mares by **Lonhro** (who also brings in Nureyev).

There has also been success for Medaglia d'Oro with **Blushing Groom** line mares, including via **Rahy** and **Runaway Groom** (sire of **Cherokee Run**; grandsire of **Kafwain**, **War Pass** and **Yonaguska**).

There are two graded stakes winners by Medaglia d'Oro and son out of **Indian Charlie** line mares, and Moretti's dam is half-sister to the dam of grade one winner Patternrecognition, who is by Indian Charlie son, **Adios Charlie** and other Indian Charlie sources include **Uncle Mo** (sire of **Nyquist** and **Laoban**), **Bwana Charlie**, **Liaison** and **Cinco Charlie**.

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MORETTI – Target Broodmare Sires

Mr. Prospector in general is good and two of the best by Medaglia d’Oro descend from that line through **Forty Niner**. The most likely branch is **Distorted Humor**, with particularly good representatives being **Flower Alley** (giving inbreeding to Sadler’s Wells and Danzig) and **Maclean’s Music** (bringing in Fappiano which should be particularly good here).

Moretti is half-brother to a grade one winner by Mr. Prospector son, **Smart Strike**, who is good here through **Curlin** (out of mare by Deputy Minister, who is from Moretti’s own family), **English Channel** (who should fit well, bringing in Nureyev, a three-quarters brother to Sadler’s Wells who is in the male line of Moretti) and **Lookin At Lucky** (whose broodmare sire combines Danzig and Exclusive Native, where the dam of Moretti is from the Danzig male line and from the family of Exclusive Native). Carson City’s son, **City Zip**, is out of a mare by a son of In Reality, which should also be good here).

Lemon Drop Kid is by Kingmambo, who is out of a mare by Nureyev, and who has done very well under Sadler’s Wells line stallions.

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Any Fappiano influence would be a positive, but we can note that here are three Medaglia d’Oro line stakes winners, one graded, out of mares by **Unbridled**, and out of mares by that horse’s sons, five stakes winners from daughters of **Empire Maker** (sire of **Pioneer of the Nile** and **Bodemeister**; grandsire of **American Pharoah** and **Cairo Prince**, Cairo Prince looking particularly interesting) and four stakes winners, including grade one winner Volatile out of mares by **Unbridled’s Song**. Unbridled’s Song would be particularly interesting through **Cross Traffic**, **First Defence**, **Half Ours**, **Songandaprayer** (who brings in Exclusive Native, who is from the family of Moretti). From other branches of Fappiano, there is a Medaglia d’Oro line stakes winner out of a mare **Victory Gallop** (by **Cryptoclearance**, grandsire of **Candy Ride**), a graded stakes winner out of a mare by **Rubiano** (sire of **Too Much Bling** and **Burning Roma**) and a stakes winner out of a mare by **Quiet American** (grandsire of **Midnight Lute**, who also bring in Deputy Minister).

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Crossing Moretti back over his own broodmare sire line, that of **Danzig** should work well. Particularly promising are **Belong to Me** (who is out of a mare by Exclusive Native, a horse from the same female line as Moretti), **Boundary** (sire of **Big Brown**, who would be particularly interesting here, as he has Nureyev, a three-quarters brother to Sadler's Wells, the grandsire of Medaglia d'Oro, and is inbred to this family) and **War Front** (who is particularly interesting as he is out of a mare by Rubiano, who has Fappiano and In Reality) and sons, particularly **Data Link** (who is bred similarly to the dam of Moretti).

Nureyev is a three-quarters brother to Sadler's Wells the grandsire of Medaglia d'Oro, and the cross of Medaglia d'Oro over Nureyev line mares is a grade one producing one. The best chance of getting younger mares from this line will be through **Unusual Heat**.

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Likely Champion Two-Year-Old Colt of 2022 is by a son of Medaglia d'Oro out of a mare by **Blame**, whose granddam is Bound, a three-quarters sister to Sadler's Wells, giving the three-quarters siblings Bound and Sadler's Wells 4x4.

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