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Stallion Synopsis

FRIESAN FIRE

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Bay. c, 2006 A.P Indy – Bollinger by Dehere

A graded stakes performer at two, Friesan Fire swept the trio of graded stakes that make up the Fair Grounds Kentucky Derby preps at three, taking the Louisiana Derby (gr. II) by 7¼ lengths. After suffering an injury in the Kentucky Derby (gr. I), for which he started favorite, Friesan Fire returned at four to defeat grade one winner General Quarters in the Louisiana Handicap.

Recommend Crosses

Friesan Fire's pedigree represents an exciting blend of classic ability and brilliance. He is by A.P. Indy, two-time Leading Sire, and now an outstanding sire of sires with such as Bernardini, Malibu Moon, Pulpit, Mineshaft and Congrats. Friesan Fire's dam, Bollinger, was a grade one winner over 7½ furlongs, and is by Champion Two-Year-Old and Champion Sire of Two-Year-Old's Dehere. The granddam, the brilliant Champion Two-Year-Old Filly, Bint Marscay, is by Marscay – himself a two-year-old grade one winner and Champion Sire and Champion Sire of Two-Year-Olds –and is half-sister to two other grade one winners, both in turn graded stakes sires.

One of the most powerful crosses for A.P. Indy and his sons have been with mares from the **Mr. Prospector**, and this is a cross that can be embraced with Friesan Fire, whose pedigree is completely free of that strain. **Mr. Prospector** line horses which are broodmare sires of stakes winners by A.P. Indy and his sons include **Afleet** (sire of **Northern Afleet** and **Rizzi**), **Allen's Prospect** (broodmare sire of three stakes winners by sons of A.P. Indy, one graded), **Conquistador Cielo** (sire of **Marquetry** and **Norquestor**, the broodmare sire of A.P. Indy line champion Declan's Mood; and grandsire of **Artax**), **Carson City** (sire of **City Zip** and **Good and Tough**), **Distinctive Pro**, **Forty Niner** (and his sons **Twining** and **End Sweep**, with **Distorted Humor**, also looking promising), **Gone West** (and his sons, **Grand Slam** and **Mr. Greeley**), **Gulch** and his son **Thunder Gulch** (sire of **Point Given**), **Kingmambo** (whose son, **Lemon Drop Kid**, will give inbreeding to A.P. Indy and a three-parts-sister), **Machiavellian** (sire of **Street Cry**), **Miswaki** (and his son, **Black Tie Affair**), **Not For Love**, **Seeking the Gold** (sire of **Petionville**, **Mutakddim** - who gives inbreeding to this family - and **Cape Town**), **Silver Ghost**, **Smart Strike**, **Two Punch** (sire of **Smoke Glacken**) and **Woodman**. The **Fappiano** branch of **Mr. Prospector** has also done particularly well under A.P. Indy, including through **Unbridled's Song**, **Unbridled**, **Quiet American**, **Rubiano**, **Cryptoclearance**, and **Pentelicus**. There are also four grade one winners bred on the cross of A.P. Indy with mares from the line of **Alydar** (**Raise a Native** son who is a genetic relative to Mr. Prospector), and sons of **Alydar** who have worked under A.P. Indy include **Easy Goer** and **Jebbar**.

A.P. Indy and his sons have done well with numerous branches of the **Northern Dancer** line. Here, the **Storm Cat** branch looks particularly interesting, as he is bred

on the same **Northern Dancer/Secretariat** cross as Friesan Fire's broodmare sire, Dehere. **Tale of the Cat, Hennessy, Tabasco Cat, Tactical Cat, Forestry** and **Sir Cat** all appear as broodmare sires of grade one winners by A.P. Indy line stallions. Other **Storm Cat** sources include **Giant's Causeway, Storm Boot, Forest Wildcat, Stormy Atlantic, Stormin Fever, Harlan's Holiday, Bernstein, Mountain Cat, Tabasco Cat, Lion Hearted, Freud** and **Tomorrows Cat**. In addition to the **Storm Cat** branch, we can also note a Champion Two-Year-Old by a son of A.P. Indy out of Storm Bird son, **Summer Squall** (a half-brother to A.P. Indy). Among other branches of **Northern Dancer** that have enjoyed success under A.P. Indy line stallions are **Nureyev** (including **Theatrical** and **Zilzal**); **Nijinsky II** (including **Royal Academy, Sky Classic, Seattle Dancer** - giving inbreeding the dam of **Seattle Slew - Strawberry Road, Shadeed** and **Alydeed**); **Danzig** (including through **Chief's Crown** - who is bred on a parallel cross to Dehere, and is also sire of **Concerto**, and grandsire of **Bellamy Road - Danehill, Danzig Connection, Deerhound, Langfuhr, Honor Grades** - giving inbreeding to the dam of A.P. Indy - **Belong to Me, Boundary, Ghazi, Lost Soldier**, and **Sea Hero**), **Dixieland Band** (particularly though **Citidancer**, with **Dixie Union** also looking interesting) and **Louis Quatorze** (broodmare sire of an A.P. Indy line grade one winner).

The A.P. Indy line is beginning to work well with **Roberto** line mares, including stakes winners out of mares by **Red Ransom, Kris S.** (and his sons, **Arch** and **You and I**) and **Dynaformer**. **Roberto** is a **Hail to Reason** line horse, and A.P. Indy line stallions also have stakes winners from the **Halo** and **Cure the Blues** branches of **Hail to Reason**. Successful sources of Halo include **Devil's Bag** (himself sire of **Devil His Due, Abaginone, Twilight Agenda, and Diablo**), and a brother to by **Saint Ballado** (sire of **Captain Bodgit, Sweetsouthernsaint, Yankee Victor, Straight Man** and **Flame Thrower**), **Southern Halo** (who will be particularly good through **More Than Ready**), **Jolie's Halo** and **Sunny's Halo**. From the **Cure the Blues** branch of **Hail to Reason** there is an A.P. Indy line stakes winner out of a mare by **Take Me Out**, and **American Chance** should also work well.

There is a grade one winner by an A.P. Indy/Mr. Prospector stallion out of a mare by **Private Account**, from the **Damascus** line. **Private Account** can be brought in through **Private Terms** and his son, **Afternoon Deelites, Personal Flag, Corporate Report, Secret Hello, Unaccounted For** and **Valley Crossing**. We can also note **Damascus** working under A.P. Indy through **Gilded Time**, and **Fly So Free** (by **Time For A Change**).