

Luminare

Shine a light

The Eclipse Champions Bayakoa, Pascana and Riboletta are some of the best examples of South American runners who made good in the United States. Their dams no doubt became hot commodities after their successes, but only Joy Valley, dam of Riboletta, produced an additional North American stakes winner (Torrey Pines Stakes winner Tamara Princess).

The Argentine mare Luminare has not produced an Eclipse Champion, but she does have a pair of U.S. graded stakes winners and both were graded winners in 2005.

Her first runner to hit the races in North America was the Numerous mare Miss Loren. She was a Champion in her native land, winning no less than eight group races, including a pair of grade one races at age five in 2003. The following year she invaded the U.S. and won the Clement Hirsch Handicap (G2) at Del Mar and also placed in the Ruffian Handicap (G1), the Lady's Secret Handicap (G2), and the Hawthorne Handicap (G3). In 2005, Miss Loren won a pair of stakes (one named for Pascana) and became a grade one winner in the Northern Hemisphere with her win in the Santa Maria Handicap (G1) at Santa Anita.

That race was run on February 13 and across the country that very same day at Gulfstream Park, Miss Loren's younger full brother Mr. Light won the Appleton Handicap (G3).

Mr. Light was group two placed at three in his native Argentina and was imported to America for the 2004 racing season. That year he won a pair of allowance contests on the turf at Gulfstream Park. In another allowance race at Gulfstream in early 2005, Mr. Light set a world record for a mile on the turf, stopping the clock at 1:31.4. That was the first season the new Gulfstream grass course was in use but the effort has survived heavy scrutiny.

His subsequent score in the Appleton certainly validated his quality as it was over another South American import, the Chilean-bred Host, who would later win the Shadwell Mile (G1). Mr. Light added the Poker Handicap (G3), run at a mile on the Belmont Park turf course, to his resume before retiring to Mill Ridge farm for stud duty.

Luminare is one of only two known foals out the mare Luminaria, who was a grade two winner and grade one placed in Argentina. Luminaria is a sister to a pair of Argentine stakes placed runners, but her sisters have been excellent producers. Her stakes-placed half sister, Licitada, is the dam of five total stakes

horses and three Argentine group winners, two of them grade one victors. Two other sisters are also blacktype producers- Lusera, the dam of the grade one winner Lucida Friul and Lasciva the dam of three stakes placed competitors.

Luminaria produced Luminare to the cover of the good Argentine stallion Forlitano, a grandson of Nashua. Luminare has produced a total of three stakes winners from her first three foals. Besides Miss Loren and Mr. Light, her first foal, Milano Phone, was a grade two winner in Argentina. He is by the Fappiano stallion Speakerphone and also placed in a pair of grade one events. ~~TOB~~

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	Nasrullah	1 Nearco
Nashua	Segula	Mumtaz Begum
Good Manners	The Doge	Johnstown
	Fun House	Sekhmet
Forlitano	Recess	Bull Dog
	Pardal	My Auntie
Forlita	Great Success	Count Fleet
	Aristophanes	Recc
Luminare	Trevisana	Pharis II
	Trevisa	Adargatis
	Vertex	1 Niccolo Dell'Arca
	Lucky Debonair	L'Orgueiluse
Peponador	Fresh As Fresh	Hyperion
		Commotion
	Never Say Die	Advocate
Ninom II	My Poppet	Veneta
Luminaria	Sideral	The Rhymer
	Crescent	Kanace
Luna Araucana	Incaico	Count Fleet
Una In	Limoges	Airy
Sibling Codes: Same dam only = odd; Same dam & sire = even Family No. 12 NASRULLAH - 4m x 5m COUNT FLEET - 5f x 5f		Nasrullah
		Singing Grass
		My Babu
		Pontoon
		Seductor
		Starling
		Rustum Pasha
		Sickle Moon
		Claro
		India
		Montimarre(ARG)
		Landes

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