

## STALLION ANALYSIS FOR: ZOUSTAR

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Zoustar is also a grandson of Champion Sire Encosta de Lago, and is inbred to the family of Encosta de Lago's sire, Fairy King. Northern Meteor has sired graded stakes winner The Voice out of a mare by King's Theatre, a son of Fairy King's brother, Sadler's Wells, and this invites trying Zoustar with mares by other Sadler's Wells line stallions such as Montjeu, Singspiel, Galileo, Scenic (sire of Blevic), High Chaparral, Barathea and King of Kings. Over mares descending from Nureyev – a three-quarters-brother to Sadler's Wells and Fairy King – Encosta de Lago has stakes winners out of daughters of Peintre Celebre, Fasliyev, Spinning World (who gives linebreeding to the family of Redoute's Choice) and Ashkalani, and this strain could also be brought in through Stravinsky. It could also be worth trying Zoustar with mares by other relatives to Fairy King, such as Yeats and Perugino (sire of Testa Rossa).

Zoustar is out of a mare by another Champion Sire, Redoute's Choice. That horse is a son of Danehill, but we can note that there are already more than 120 stakes winners with Danehill in the sire, and second cross of Danzig in the dam, more than 20 of them grade one. Northern Meteor is already sire of grade two winner Bound For Earth out of a mare by Danzig son Belong to Me. Encosta de Lago also has a stakes winner out of a mare by Snadee, and a stakes winner out of a mare by Polish Precedent, while other sources of Danzig that might be considered are Anabaa, Green Desert (sire of Desert Sun, who is already broodmare sire of Northern Meteor's grade one performer Equator, Cape Cross, Invincible Spirit and Volksraad) and Grand Lodge. It could also be worth duplicating Danehill, including through Danehill/Star Kingdom crosses such as Danzero and Catbird. Encosta de Lago and sons also have stakes winners out of mares by Danehill sons, Flying Spur (sire of Magnus, Jet Spur and Casino Prince), Rock of Gibraltar and Danasinga, while Northern Meteor already has a stakes placed two-year-old out of a mare by Danehill Dancer (sire of Choisir).

Encosta de Lago has enjoyed success over mares descending from **Last Tycoon** (including a grade one winner out of a mare by **Monde Bleu**). **Last Tycoon** particularly appeals here, as he gives linebreeding to the female line of Zoustar's broodmare sire, Redoute's Choice, and other sources include **O'Reilly**, **Marju**, **Bigstone**, **Iglesia** and **Written Tycoon**. It would also be worth introducing **El Gran Senor**, who is a brother to Last Tycoon's sire, **Try My Best**, so also giving linebreeding to the family of Redoute's Choice.



Other sources of **Northern Dancer** to work under Encosta de Lago include **Alzao**, **Be My Guest** (out of a mare by **Prego**, and also available through **Pentire**), **Nijinsky II** (including grade one winner Costa Viva out of a mare by **Bel Esprit**, a son of **Royal Academy**, as well as stakes winners from daughters of **Serheed**, **Splendent** and **Bletchley Park**, with other sources including **Alquoz**, **Generous**, **Tenby**, **Tights**, **Whiskey Road** and **Kala Dancer**) and **The Minstrel** (whose son, **Palace Music**, is broodmare sire of an Encosta de Lago grade two winner, and whose son **Masterclass** would give linebreeding to the family of Redoute's Choice).

Northern Meteor is broodmare sire of graded stakes winner Eurozone out of a mare by **Don't Say Halo**, a son of **Halo**. This raises the possibility of trying Zoustar with mares by **More Than Ready**, a grandson of **Halo** who has combined so well with the strain of Danehill, found in Zoustar's dam. The strain of **Halo** might also be introduced through **Sunday Silence** (sire of **Fuji Kiseki, Bubble Gum Fellow** and **Tayasu Tsuyoshi**). **Halo** is a **Hail to Reason** line stallion, and Encosta de Lago has sired stakes winners from the **Roberto**, branch of this line out of mares by **At Talaq**, **Silver Hawk** and **Comic Strip** (by **Red Ransom**, who could be brought in through **Domesday** — who duplicates the family of Redoute's Choice — and **Charge Forward**). It would also be good to introduce **Roberto** through **Lear Fan** (giving three crosses of the great family of **Rough Shod II**).

Northern Meteor is out of a mare by Fappiano, one of the most outstanding sons of Mr. Prospector, and it may pay to try Northern Meteor back over Mr. Prospector line mares. Encosta de Lago has a grade one winner out of a mare by a son of Mr. Prospector stallion, Miswaki, and a stakes winner from a mare by that horse's son, Umatilla (giving inbreeding to the family of Redoute's Choice). Encosta de Lago also has a grade one winner out of a mare by Defensive Play and a graded stakes winner out of a mare by Unbridled's Song (who would both give inbreeding to Fappiano). There are also Encosta de Lago line graded stakes winners out of mares descending from Mr. Prospector through Belloto, Machiavellian (sire of Street Cry and Vettori), Thunder Gulch, Straight Strike and Fusaichi Pegasus. It would also pay to considering mares carrying Jade Robbery or Geiger Counter, both Mr. Prospector line horses who would both give inbreeding to the Thong family, or daughters of Xaar, who is from the family of Redoute's Choice.

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Northern Meteor is sire of grade one winner Romantic Touch out of a mare by **Snippets**, a horse who has also worked well under Redoute's Choice, and who is available through **Pins**, **Snowland**, **Snippetson** and **Spartacus**. Encosta de Lago is sire of two grade one winners from daughters of **Zeditave**, who might be introduced through **Strategic** or **Magic Albert**.

Encosta de Lago has a graded stakes winner out of a mare **Southern Appeal** (a grandson of **In Reality**). The **In Reality** strain in general should be good here, and other potential broodmare sires from the line include **Charnwood Forest** (bringing in **Sadler's Wells**), **Piccolo** and **Honour and Glory**.



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