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# Spain-bound Ghaiyyath colt brings €45,000 as Osarus Yearling Sale posts gains across the board



Ghaiyyath: sire of the Osarus Yearling Sale top lot

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A son of Ghaiyyath topped the Osarus Yearling Sale when bringing €45,000 at La Teste-de-Buch in France's southwest on Wednesday evening. The sales-topping docket was signed by Cecile Adonias of Cava Associates.

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Adonias told Jour de Galop: “The page was attractive, as was the stallion. The colt looked good; well prepared, well bought. He ticked a lot of boxes! We were beaten on the Space Blues [made €36,000], so we’re really happy to be able to bring him home.

“The colt will be heading to Spain for clients who want to remain discreet. We’ll give him some time and, if he’s up to the task, he’ll come back to France to race.”

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The Windermere Stud-consigned colt was making his second appearance at the sales, having been knocked down to a buyer who signed as Pegasus at €16,000 at last year’s Arqana Breeding Stock Sales. He is out of Vega Sicilia, a daughter of Elusive City and the Prix Vermeille winner Volvoreta.

Darley’s Kildangan Stud resident Ghaiyyath heads the European second-crop sire standings by number of black-type winners (four), and has seven stakes performers to his name all told.

Godolphin’s homebred juvenile My Highness heads his roll of honour, having last been seen running out an impressive winner of the Group 2 Prix du Calvados. The sire’s three-year-olds include Princess Zahra Aga Khan’s Mandanaba, who won the Group 3 Prix Vanteaux and also ran third in the Poule d’Essai des Pouliches, in which Zarigana was promoted to first ahead of Shes Perfect. The stallion has also been represented by US Grade 2 scorer The Padre, who struck in the Del Mar Derby.

The sale’s second top lot fetched €36,000 after Xavier L’Allinec struck the winning bid on behalf of

## Jeremy Para's Le Marais ownership vehicle.



Lot 56: the Space Blue filly bought for €36,000      Credit: Osarus

The youngster was offered by Haras de Montaigu and is out of Hunza Dancer, a Danehill Dancer sibling to Air Chief Marshal, Flag Of Honour and Misu Bond. The dam has produced five winners at paddocks, including the Listed-placed Samothrace.

L'Allinec said: "She's a beautiful filly, very well put together, with a beautiful head. Her strength also caught my attention. She will be broken in slowly, and it's possible she'll go to Jean-Claude Rouget afterward."

FR Bloodstock signed at €34,000 for a daughter of Gutaifan offered by Haras des Faunes, while there was a three-way tie at €26,000, with two of those lots coming from Haras de la Haie Neuve. First trainer Joel Boisdard signed for the Seahenge filly out of Fabuleuse Bere, before Con Marnane went to the same price for a colt from the debut crop of Phoenix Stakes scorer Ebro River.

Nicolas Perret was the third buyer to strike a successful bid of €26,000 when securing a Goken colt offered by The Channel Consignment.

A total of 130 yearlings came under the hammer and, following private sales, 103 of those found a buyer for a clearance rate of 75 per cent. This represents a marked improvement from 12

months ago, when 98 lots sold at a clip of just 63 per cent. Despite 26 fewer lots being offered this time around, turnover improved by 11 per cent to €1,019,000.

The average price also rose year-on-year, up 11 per cent to €10,775, while the median climbed €500, registering a six per cent gain from €8,000 to €8,500.

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