

## Host Served His First Book In 2008

Host who was extremely popular after being launched on the day Hussonet enjoyed a Group 1 double. On the back of Weekend Hussler winning the Oakleigh Plate and Reaan winning the Blue Diamond it was obvious that Host would serve a very nice book and he did, ending up with 93 mares in foal.

Most are extremely well related, but just concentrating on Group 1 and 2 close associations the following mares (in alphabetical order) deserve some recognition:

- Bellendella Dream - is a half-sister to Grp 2 winner Sovereign Lady.
- Danari - is a half-sister to Grp 2 winner Spurn and Grp 1 placed herself.
- Defy Smytzer - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Kapeskin (grandam of Reaan).
- Eve Ho - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Adam.
- Gleaming Ruby - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Soho Square.
- Going To Extremes - is a Grp 2 winner.
- Hutt's Image - is a half-sister to Grp 2 winner Lolita Star.
- Jewel Of Oakbank - is a half-sister to Grp 2 winner Exclusive Halo.
- Juno Beach - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Great Normand.
- Miss Gerogina - is a sister to Grp 2 winner Bold Rancher.
- Napa Sky - is a sister to Grp 1 winner La Sizeranne.
- Pamargo - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Bletinah.
- Pipkin - is Grp 1 placed.
- Rarely Caught - is the dam of Grp 1 winner Hard To Get.
- Royal Fling - is a half-sister to Grp 2 winner King Ivor.
- Sabines - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Seltrice.
- Shanghai Dancer - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Blutigeroo.
- Stockinette - is a half-sister to Grp 1 winner Perfect Partner.
- Umaline - is a Grp 2 winner.

Over 40 more mares are full or half relations to the dams of Group 1 or 2 winners or from Group winning mares.

Host with 10 wins (2 at Grp 1 level) was one of the most prolific Group winners by Hussonet, save for the gelded Weekend Hussler. He is unquestionably the best performed son of Hussonet in Australia that has ventured to stud. He was Champion Colt at 2 and 3 in his country (Chile) plus Horse of the Year in Chile as a 3YO; he was also a Group 1 winner in the Shadwell Turf Mile at Keeneland; Host won a further three Group races in the USA (incl the prestigious Grp 2 Knickerbocker Hcp at Aqueduct); and he ran 4th and 5th in the Dubai Duty Free and Breeders Cup Mile respectively as his career came to a close.

It is no surprise that breeders supported the horse in his first year and are queuing up again for a second serving.