

## RACE RECORD

8 wins, 1000-1200m, at 2 to 4  
Rated MR 128

### Highveld Champion Sprinter 2023/2024

at 2 **WON Gr1** Gold Medallion (1200m)  
at 3 2nd **Gr1** Golden Horse Sprint (1200m)  
2nd **Gr2** Post Merchants (1200m)  
3rd **Gr1** Mercury Sprint (1200m)  
at 4 **WON Gr1** Computaform Sprint (1000m)  
**WON Gr2** Diadem S. (1200m)  
2nd **Gr1** Cape Flying Ch'ship (1000m)  
2nd **Gr2** Spring Challenge (1450m)

## SIRE LINE

**RAFEEF** – 6 wins, 1000-1400m, incl Gr1 Computaform Sprint and Gr2 Hawaii Stakes. Sire of Gr1 winners from 1000m to 2450m.

Notable progeny incl **Master Archie** (18c – Var, Goldmark) – Gr1 *Computaform Sprint, sire*; **Aragosta** (18c – Galileo, Linamix) – Gr1 *SA Derby*; **Thunderstruck** (19c – Var, Modern Day) – Gr1 *Gold Medallion, Gr1 Computaform Spring, Gr1 Cape Flying Ch'ship, sire*; **William Robertson** (18c – Trippi, Al Mufti); **Who Do You Love** (19f – Model Man, Northern Guest); **Outlaw King** (20c – Greys Inn, Elliodor); **Glittering Girl** (19f – Encosta de Lago, Redoute's Choice); **Union Square** (19c – Oasis Dream, Sadler's Wells); **Bella Chica** (18f – Captain Al, Rock Of Gibraltar); **Cleaver Greene** (18c – Antonius Pius, Jallad); **Franca** (18f – Red Ransom, Perugino); **Ipsso Facto** (19f – Machiavellian, Equalize); **Leaving Las Vegas** (20f – Trippi, Storm Cat); **Shantastic** (19f – Fort Wood, Parade Leader); **Spywing** (19f – Count duBois, Bletchingly); **Whafeef** (18c – Fort Wood, Western Winter); **Zambaq** (18f – Horse Chestnut, Western Winter); **Tropo Veloce** (20f – Elusive Quality, Flying Spur); **Mover And Shaker** (19c – Silvano, Elliodor); **Ziyasha** (20c – Kingmambo, Ogygian); **Frances Ethel** (20f – Fort Wood, Golden Thatch); **Mrs Browning** (19f – Galileo, Linamix); etc.

**KIN-BREEDING:** Rafeef is kin-bred 2x2 Danehill x National Assembly (and from there 4x3 Spring Adieu x Renounce). This links in with the kin-breeding in his sire Redoute's Choice (3x2 Spring Adieu x Dancing Show).

### Danzig-line sires in South Africa:

Buffalo Bill Cody, Rafeef (**Redoute's Choice**); Master Archie, Thunderstruck (**Rafeef**); Digital Age (**Invincible Spirit**); Querari (**Oasis Dream**); Declaration of Peace, Fire Away (**War Front**); Heavenly Blue, Real Gone Kid (**Snitzel**); Soqratt (**Epaulette**)

## STUD RECORD

First season at stud in 2024

## PEDIGREE

On the sire-side, Rafeef is kinbred 2x2 Danehill x National Assembly (and from there 4x3 Spring Adieu x Renounce). This links in with the kin-breeding in Rafeef's sire Redoute's Choice (3x2 Spring Adieu x Dancing Show). This leads to Buckpasser, notably Northern Guest and Al Mufti. The female line of Redoute's Choice is also the one of Northern Guest.

Rafeef (AUS) 2012	Redoute's Choice 1996	Danehill	<b>DANZIG - NORTHERN DANCER</b>
	National Colour 2002	Shanthas Choice	Razyana - His Majesty
Var 1999		National Assembly	Canny Lad - Bletchingly
	Katie's Star 2001	Rainbow Cake	Dancing Show - Nijinsky
Katie's Star 2001		Forest Wildcat	<b>DANZIG - NORTHERN DANCER</b>
	Katie's Star 2001	Loma Preata	Renounce - Buckpasser
Katie's Star 2001		Modern Day	Mr Eats - Nishapour
	Katie's Star 2001	Five Star Suite	St Blazey - Marazion
Katie's Star 2001		Five Star Suite	Storm Cat - Storm Bird
	Victoria Beauty - Bold Native		
Katie's Star 2001	Five Star Suite	Zilzal - Nureyev	
		Halley's Comeback - Key To The Kingdom	
Katie's Star 2001	Five Star Suite	Dayjur - <b>DANZIG</b>	
		Modena - Roberto	
Katie's Star 2001	Five Star Suite	Badger Land - Codex	
		Royal Suite - Habitat	

From the dam-side there is a kin-link between Renounce (dam of National Assembly) and Bold Example in the female line of Var's damsire Zilzal. It involves Bold Ruler, Grey Flight and La Troienne, the latter the notable ancestor of Buckpasser.

Rafeef's grandam Rainbow Cake has kin-linked descendants of Gold Bridge, who also appears in Thunderstruck's female line. This suggests more duplications of the same.

Thunderstruck's female line goes to the dam of sire Honest Pleasure whose sire What A Pleasure is full brother to the grandam of National Assembly.

**SUITABLE LINES** for Thunderstruck could include

-La Troienne, especially through Buckpasser, widespread, notably in National Assembly, Redoute's Choice (3x3 in Rafeef's Gr1 daughter Glittering Girl), Al Mufti (Captain Al), Northern Guest, Danehill (Rock Of Gibraltar), etc.

-Gold Bridge, found in Rough Shod (Sadler's Wells, Nureyev, Golden Thatch, etc), Denturius (Roland Gardens, Zafonic, Count duBois, Dupont, etc), Vilmorin (Mexico, Harry Hotspur, Zafonic, Count duBois, Dupont, Modern Day), Skymaster (Roland Gardens, Restructure, Imperial Stride)

-What A Pleasure, found in Lecture, Visionaire, Kildonan, Coup de Grace, Honest Pleasure (Rich Man's Gold)

## FEMALE LINE

### 1st dam

**VARIKATE** (09f, Var): 5 wins, 1000-1200m, Gr2 Post Merchants; 2nd Gr3 Poinsettia S.; 3rd Laisserfaire S. (L); dam of **THUNDERSTRUCK** (19c, Rafeef): - subject stallion  
Before The Dawn (16f, Oratorio): 7 wins, 1000m  
Patronage (17c, Philanthropist): 6 wins, 1200-1800m

### 2nd dam

Katies Star (01f, Modern Day): 6 wins, 1400-1600m; dam of **VARIKATE** (09f, Var): 5 wins – see above  
**Katie To** (17f, Twice Over): won, 1400m; 2nd River Jetez S. (L)  
Katies Jay (12f, Jay Peg): 3 wins, 1400-1800m

### 3rd dam

**Five Star Suite** (93f, Badger Land): 4 wins, 1400-1600m; 3rd EP Breeders S. (L); dam of

**WE THREE** (06f, Silvano): 6 wins, 1600-2200m, Winter Oaks (L), Jockey Club S. (L); 2nd E-Cape Guineas (L); 3rd Gr1 Paddock S., Gr3 Victress S. (2x), Woolavington Hcp (L)

Katies Star (01f, Modern Day): 6 wins – see above

### 4th dam

Royal Suite (79f, Habitat): 3 wins, 1000m; dam of **Five Star Suite** (93f, Badger Land): 4 wins – see above

**Soozie Swell** (96f, National Assembly): 2 wins, 1000m; 3rd Ascot Fillies Nursery

### 5th dam

Nearly A Monarch (67f, Grey Monarch): did not win; dam of

**NEARLY ON TIME** (74c, Pollux): 6 wins in USA, G2 Whitney S.; 2nd G1 Florida Derby, G1 Suburban S. G3 Nassau County H.; 3rd G1 Suburban H., G2 Excelsior S.; **sire**  
**All Regal** (78f, Run The Gantlet): 2 wins in FR/USA; dam of

**CHARNELL'S DREAM** (87f, Wavering Monarch): 8 wins in USA, Sixty Sails H. (L), Dahlia H. (L); dam of

**CHRIS'S THUNDER** (95f, Rubiano): 9 wins in USA, AP Indy S. (L) (ncr), Miller Lite S. (L)

**DAMASCUS REGAL** (84c, Damascus): 5 wins in ITY, Gr2 Pr Principe Amedeo, Gr3 Coppa d'Oro di Milano; 3rd Gr3 Pr Federico Tesio; **sire**

**GALOWAY PLAINS** (85c, Caveat): 6 wins, G3 Alberta Derby

**REGAL RAHY** (93c, Rahy): 8 wins, W-Virginia Governor's H. (L)

Royal Suite (79f, Habitat): 3 wins – see above

### 6th dam

**TULARIA** (55f, Tulyar): 3 wins in CAN, International H.; dam of

**HONEST PLEASURE** 73c, What A Pleasure): Champion 2yo Colt in USA - 12 wins, Travers S., Florida Derby, Champagne S., Laurel Futurity, Blue Grass S., Flamingo S., Arlington-Washington Futurity; 2nd Kentucky Derby; **sire**

**FOR THE MOMENT** (74c, What A Pleasure): 7 wins, Blue Grass S., Futurity S.; 2nd Florida Derby, Santa Anita Derby; **sire**

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