# Hard Not to Love

Bay Filly; May 11, 2016

Hard Not to Love Foaled in Ontario	Hard Spun, 04 b	Danzig, 77 b	Northern Dancer, 61 b Pas de Nom, 68 dk b/ Turkoman, 82 dk b/
		Turkish Tryst, 91 ch	Darbyvail, 84 ch
		-	Seattle Slew, 74 dk b/
	Loving Vindication, 05 dk b/	Vindication, 00 dk b/	Strawberry Reason, 92 dk b/
		Chimichurri, 00 ch	Elusive Quality, 93 b Hard Knocker, 83 ch

By HARD SPUN (2004). Stakes winner of \$2,673,470, King's Bishop S. [G1] (SAR, \$150,000), etc. Sire of 9 crops of racing age, 1478 foals, 1054 starters, 66 stakes winners, 1 champion, 732 winners of 2278 races and earning \$84,776,583 USA, including Questing (GB) (Champion in U.S., \$876,876 USA, Alabama S. [G1] (SAR, \$360,000), etc.), Le Romain (to 6, 2018, \$2,914,670 USA, Girvan Waugh Randwick Guineas [G1], etc.), Wicked Strong (\$1,994,460, Twinspires.com Wood Memorial S. [G1] (AQU, \$590,000), etc.), Hard Aces (\$1,272,215, Gold Cup at Santa Anita S. [G1] (SA, \$300,000), etc.), Hard Not to Like (\$1,262,171 USA, Diana S. [G1]-ncr, 1 1/8 miles in 1:45.22 (SAR, \$300,000), etc.), Someries (\$1,193,629 USA, Zennippon Nisai Yushun, etc.), Gatting (to 5, 2018, \$963,610 USA, Schweppes W.A.T.C. Derby [G2], etc.).

#### 1st dam

- LOVING VINDICATION, by Vindication. Winner at 2 and 3, \$133,467. Dam of 6 foals, 3 to race, 3 winners--
  - WONDER GADOT (f. by Medaglia d'Oro). 5 wins at 2 and 3, 2018, \$1,492,461(USA), Champion 2-year-old filly in Canada, Demoiselle S. [G2] (AQU, \$150,000), Mazarine S. [G3] (WO, \$94,500(CAN)), Queen's Plate S. -R (WO, \$600,000(CAN)), Prince of Wales S. -R (FE, \$240,000(CAN)), 2nd Longines Kentucky Oaks [G1] (CD, \$182,000), Fantasy S. [G3] (OP, \$80,000), Woodbine Oaks -R (WO, \$100,000(CAN)), Silverbulletday S. [L] (FG, \$30,000), etc.
  - SOLEMN TRIBUTE (g. by Medaglia d'Oro). 3 wins at 3, \$181,234(USA), Tropical Park Derby (GP, \$46,500), 2nd King Edward S. [G2] (WO, \$48,000(CAN)), Showing Up S. (GPW, \$14,400). Hard Not to Love (f. by Hard Spun). See below.

### 2nd dam

CHIMICHURRI, by Elusive Quality. 3 wins at 2, \$269,126, Tempted S. [G3] (AQU, \$66,240), Jersey Jumper S. (MED, \$30,000), 2nd Prioress S. [G1] (BEL, \$40,000), Miss Preakness S. [G3] (PIM, \$20,000), Old Hat S. [L] (GP, \$20,000), 3rd Astarita S. [G2] (BEL, \$16,500), Stonerside Forward Gal S. [G3] (GP, \$11,000). Half-sister to HUAMBO (\$45,330 (USA), 50 Orakel der Dreijaehrigen, etc.), Skip Poker (\$109,938, 3rd Twin Lights S. (MTH, \$6,600)). Dam of 4 winners--

Loving Vindication (f. by Vindication). See above.

Chimayo (f. by A.P. Indy). Winner at 2, \$35,550. Dam of--

- Secret Spice (f. by Discreet Cat). Winner at 2 and 3, placed at 4, 2019, \$112,510, 3rd Desi Arnaz S. [L] (DMR, \$12,000).
- Mexican Hat (f. by Street Cry (IRE)). 2 wins at 4, 2018 in NA, placed at 3 in FR, \$94,496 (USA), 3rd Belle Mahone S. (WO, \$11,000(CAN)).

She's Delightful (f. by Mission Impazible). 3 wins at 2 and 3, 2018, \$132,858.

Christina's World (f. by Unbridled's Song). Winner at 3, \$51,000. Producer.

Claire's Song (f. by Unbridled's Song). Placed at 3 and 4, \$37,471. Dam of--

Elusive Mischief (c. by Into Mischief). 3 wins at 3, 2018, \$122,225(USA), 3rd Charlie Barley S. (WO, \$11,000(CAN)).

### 3rd dam

- HARD KNOCKER, by Raja Baba. Unraced. Half-sister to MASHAALLAH (\$806,343 (USA), Hwt. older horse at 4 on Irish Free Hand., 14 fur. & up, Hwt. older horse at 4 on Italian Free Hand., 11 - 14 fur., Jefferson Smurfit Memorial Irish St. Leger [G1], etc., sire), FOLK ART (\$274,095, Oak Leaf S.-G1, etc.), SPORTIN' LIFE (\$181,726, Leonard Richards S., etc., sire), Barefoot Ballerina (\$30,203, 4th Miss Grillo S. [G2]). Dam of 10 winners--
  - CHIMICHURRI (f. by Elusive Quality). Black type winner, see above.
  - HUAMBO (c. by Green Dancer). 5 wins, 3 to 5 in GER and TUR, \$45,330 (USA), 50 Orakel der Dreijaehrigen, 2nd Preis des Casino Baden-Baden, Mueller Brot-Riemer-Meile, 3rd Grosser Preis der Dortmunder Wirtschaft [G3].
  - Skip Poker (f. by Skip Away). 3 wins, 2 to 4, \$109,938, 3rd Twin Lights S. (MTH, \$6,600). Dam of--

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- =LIQUID MERCURY (SAF) (g. by Trippi). 6 wins at 3 and 5 in SAF and UAE, \$148,023 (USA), Winter Derby [G3], 3rd Investec Cape Derby [G1], Winter Classic [G3].
- **=CAPTAIN GAMBLER (SAF)** (f. by =Captain AI (SAF)). 2 wins at 2 in SAF, \$20,475 (USA), Irridescence S., 3rd Investec Cape Derby [G1].

**=Trip Poker (SAF)** (f. by Trippi). Winner at 2 and 3 in SAF, 3rd Irridescence S. Producer.

Proven Desire (f. by Green Dancer). Winner at 3, \$37,840. Dam of--

**=QUICK HAWK (BRZ)** (c. by Spend a Buck). Winner at 2 in BRZ, \$47,091 (USA), Jose Calmon, 2nd Grande Premio Juliano Martins **[G1]**, Grande Premio Mario de Azevedo Ribeiro **[G3]**, 3rd Grande Premio Ipiranga-Brazilian Two Thousand Guineas **[G1]**, Grande Premio Presidente da Republica **[G1]**, etc.

=Red Tulip (BRZ) (f. by Roi Normand). 2 wins at 3 in BRZ, \$11,710 (USA). Dam of--

- =EXHIBITION (BRZ) (f. by Wild Event). Winner at 2 and 3 in BRZ, \$49,534 (USA), Presidente Jose Bonifacio Coutinho Nogueira [G2], 2nd Presidente Hernani Azevedo Silva [G2], Presidente Fabio da Silva Prado [G2], Presidente Jose Antonio Pamplona de Andrade [G2], Presidente Guilherme Ellis [G3], etc.
- **=Broken Flower (BRZ)** (f. by Northern Afleet). Winner at 2 in BRZ, 2nd Grande Premio Emerald Hill [G3].

**=Fija Roja (BRZ)** (f. by Put It Back). Winner at 2 and 3 in BRZ, 2nd Ministerio da Agricultura. Valley Fever (f. by Peaks and Valleys). Winner at 3, \$21,720. Dam of--

- VALLI WITH A VOW (f. by Broken Vow). 4 wins at 3 and 4, \$210,771(USA), Pago Hop S. (FG, \$36,000), 3rd Nassau S. [G2] (WO, \$30,000(CAN)). Producer.
  - Fever Fever (f. by Elusive Quality). Winner at 2 in FR , \$52,902 (USA), 3rd Grand Criterium de Bordeaux-Prix de Sauternes. Dam of--
    - Hijra (IRE) (f. by Oratorio (IRE)). 4 wins, 3 to 7, placed at 8, 2018 in FR and NA , \$188,367 (USA), 3rd Luther Burbank H. (SR, \$6,000), Miss America S. (GG, \$6,000).
- Impenetrable (g. by Mr. Greeley). Winner at 5 and 6 in UAE, \$40,601 (USA).
- Deputy Mayor (c. by Deputy Minister). Winner at 4 and 5, \$30,493. Sire.

Anglona (f. by Polish Navy). Winner at 3 in FR , \$17,922 (USA).

- Raheena (f. by Lyphard). Winner at 4 in UAE, placed at 3 in ENG, \$9,925 (USA).
- Algero (c. by Alleged). Winner at 2 in IRE, \$3,723 (USA).

#### 4th dam

- Homespun, by Round Table. Winner at 2 and 3, \$30,885, 2nd San Clemente S., 3rd Yerba Buena H. Sister to SPHERE (\$116,990, Palomar H., etc.), DUMBWAITER (\$71,407 (USA), Ulster Harp Derby, etc.), half-sister to SABER MOUNTAIN (\$115,175, San Felipe H., etc.). Dam of 8 winners, including--
  - MASHAALLAH (c. by Nijinsky II). 9 wins, 3 to 6 in ENG, FR , IRE, NA , GER and ITY, \$806,343 (USA), Hwt. older horse at 4 on Irish Free Hand., 14 fur. & up, Hwt. older horse at 4 on Irialian Free Hand., 11 14 fur., Jefferson Smurfit Memorial Irish St. Leger [G1], Grosser Preis von Baden [G1], Gran Premio di Milano [G1], Jim Murray H. -R (HOL, \$46,600), Prix de la Porte de Madrid, 2nd Prix Royal-Oak-French St. Leger [G1], Prix Maurice de Nieuil [G2], Aston Park S., etc. Sire.
  - **FOLK ART** (f. by Nijinsky II). 4 wins at 2 and 3, \$274,095, Oak Leaf S.-G1, 2nd Torrey Pines S. [LR], [Q] [Q] at, 3rd Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup [L].
  - SPORTIN LIFE (c. by Nijinsky II). 8 wins, 2 to 4, \$181,726, Leonard Richards S., Allegheny S., Philmont S., William du Pont, Jr. H., Cochise H.-etr, 1 1/16 miles in 1:41.60, 2nd Pennsylvania Derby-G3, 3rd Hill Prince S.-G3. Sire.

Barefoot Ballerina (f. by Nijinsky II). 2 wins at 2, \$30,203, 4th Miss Grillo S. [G2].

Connie Knows (f. by Buckpasser). 6 wins at 2 and 3, \$74,586.

- COURT HOSTESS (f. by Sovereign Dancer). 12 wins, 3 to 5, \$464,894, Brown & Williamson H.
  [G3], AKsarben Budweiser Breeders' Cup S. [L] (AKS, \$92,700), Michigan Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. [L] (DET, \$62,550), Michigan Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. [L] (DET, \$62,400), Imp H. (TDN, \$24,000) twice, etc.
- **CONNIE'S GIFT** (f. by Nijinsky II). 5 wins, 2 to 4 in ENG and NA , \$166,163 (USA), Louisville Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. **[G2]**.

Balinese (f. by Nijinsky II). Winner at 2 and 3, \$43,420.

Eishin Michigan (f. by Manila). Placed at 3 in JPN, \$47,299 (USA).

EISHIN CHAMP (c. by Mi Cielo). 5 wins, 2 to 6 in JPN, \$2,340,175 (USA), Champion 2-year-old

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colt in Japan, Asahi Hai Futurity S., Hochi Hai Yayoi Sho, 3rd Satsuki Sho-Japanese Two Thousand Guineas -R, Naruo Kinen, Kokura Daishoten H.

Granny Sack (f. by Blushing Groom (FR)). Placed at 2.

Hard Knocker (f. by Raja Baba). See above.

Home Love (f. by \*Vaguely Noble). Unraced.

- LOCAL TALENT (c. by Northern Dancer). 3 wins at 2 and 3 in FR , \$175,318 (USA), Prix Jean Prat [G1], Prix La Rochette [G3], 2nd Prix de Guiche [G3], 4th Grand Criterium [G1], Prix Morny [G1], etc. Sire.
- LOCAL SUITOR (c. by Blushing Groom (FR)). 2 wins in 4 starts at 2 in ENG, \$42,225 (USA), Rokeby Farms Mill Reef S.-G2, 3rd William Hill Dewhurst S.-G1, 4th Craven S. [G3]. Sire.

Soybean Trader (c. by Soy Numero Uno). 5 wins, 3 to 6, \$46,938, 3rd Lafayette S.-L.

Heavenlyspun (f. by His Majesty). Unplaced in 2 starts.

**Jagellon** (c. by Danzig Connection). 2 wins at 4 in ENG, \$26,689 (USA), 2nd James Seymour S. Exigence (f. by Exclusive Native). Unplaced in 2 starts in FR .

Pleasure Treasure (FR) (f. by Caerleon). 5 wins, 2 to 4 in FR , \$70,881 (USA), 2nd Grand Prix d'Aquitaine.

RACE RECORD for Hard Not to Love: At 2, unraced; at 3, 2019, one win in 1 start. Earned \$33,000.