

Pedigree notes for Counterattack (Redoute's Choice – Kisma, by Snippets)

COUNTERATTACK is bred on the same Redoute's Choice/Snippets cross as the Champion, record-breaking sire **SNITZEL** and is also bred on a similar pedigree pattern to the Golden Slipper winner **STRATUM** who had himself sired five individual Group One winners, including a Slipper winner, before his premature death in 2016. Counterattack and Stratum, both by Redoute's Choice, share the great Colonial speed influence Vain as their second dam sire.

Counterattack's sire Redoute's Choice and his sons Snitzel and Stratum have been very successful with mares by sons of **Century** (Better Boy), **Deputy Minister** (Vice Regent), and **Last Tycoon** (Try My Best):

Broodmares by Century's sons **Centaine** and **Rubiton** have produced nearly 87% winners/runners for Redoute's Choice, headed by ZINGALING, while mares by sons of this pair have produced 100% winners/runners for Snitzel, including recent Group One winner REDZEL. Stratum also crossed very well with mares by Centaine and Rubiton, producing DIVINE CALLING and MISS WILSON from just six runners bred on this Century cross. Centaine also introduces another strain of the great speed influence Vain into the equation.

Redoute's Choice has produced over 23% Stakes winners to runners when crossed with mares by **Dehere** (Deputy Minister), including MIRRASALO and ZAMZAM (whose dam is bred on a Dehere/Centaine cross), while Snitzel has produced over 7% Stakes winners to runners with Dehere mares; headed by MALAVIO. From just eight runners bred on a Stratum/Dehere cross there have been seven winners, including the Stakes-performer Sworn Revenge.

Mares by sons of **Last Tycoon** (Try My Best) have produced 90% winners to runners for Redoute's Choice and 10% Stakes winners to runners, including the recent juvenile Stakes winner ARDROSSAN (x **Iglesia**). Snitzel crossed with mares by sons of Last Tycoon has produced five winners from just eight runners to-date, including the multiple Stakes-performed Snitzkraft (x **O'Reilly**). Stratum too had much success with mares by sons of Last Tycoon – producing the Stakes winners BATTLE HERO (x **O'Reilly**...and descends in tail female line to Centaine) and LOVE ROCKS (x **Knowledge**) from just seven runners to-date.

From limited opportunities with mares by sons of **Biscay** (Star Kingdom) Snitzel has produced four winners from four runners including SMOKO (x **Bletchingly**) while Redoute's Choice crossed with Bletchingly mares has produced five winners from just eight runners, led by PRESENTING.

Sons of **Fairy King** (Northern Dancer) have proved extremely successful with both Redoute's Choice and Snitzel – namely through his sons Encosta De Lago, Shinko King and Falbrav. The Redoute's Choice/**Encosta de Lago** cross has produced over 18% Stakes winner/runners, led by Group One winning juvenile MUSIR. From just a handful of runners out of **Shinko King** mares, Redoute's Choice produced MAULES CREEK while the recent Group Two winning juvenile TANGLED is the only runner to-date for Snitzel out of a Shinko King mare. Snitzel's Group Two winner SPILL THE BEANS is one of just two runners bred on a Snitzel/**Falbrav** cross and both are winners. The Snitzel/Encosta de Lago cross has also been very successful, producing 9% Stakes winners to runners, including the Group One winning juvenile SUMMER PASSAGE.

The **Storm Cat** (Storm Bird) line is another that has crossed very well with both Redoute's Choice and Snitzel. Mares by his sons **Tale of the Cat**, **Hold That Tiger**, **Giant's Causeway**, **Catrail** and **Black Minnaloushe** have all been very successful with Snitzel, while the Snitzel/Tale of the Cat cross has

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produced over 28% Stakes winners to runners. Redoute's Choice has sired two Stakes winners from Catrail mares from just three runners – led by the Group One winner ABSOLUTELY, and has also sired the Stakes winner SEASIDE from a mare by another son of Storm Cat in **Hennessy**.

Mares by sons of **Kenmare** (Kalamoun) have produced 100% winners to runners for both Redoute's Choice and Snitzel – an impressive figure considering there have been sixteen runners bred on this cross to-date. Mares by Kenmare's sons **Keltrice**, **Kendor** and **Metal Storm** have all produced winners for Redoute's Choice, with over 27% of those being Stakes winners, while Snitzel's winners have come via **Highest Honor**, Keltrice (x Vain) and Metal Storm and are led by the Stakes winner DETECTIVE.

Redoute's Choice has also crossed very well with the **Nureyev** branch of the Northern Dancer line - the Group One winner KING'S ROSE and Group One performer HARDHAM are both out of the Nureyev mare Nureyev's Girl, while the multiple Group One winner LANKAN RUPEE is out of a daughter of **Stravinsky** (Nureyev). Other sons of Nureyev to produce Stakes performers for Redoute's Choice include **Caesour**, **Peintre Celebre**, and **Spinning World** while Snitzel's Group One winner RUSSIAN REVOLUTION is out of a Stravinsky mare. Snitzel has also produced Stakes performers when crossed with Nureyev's sons **Fasliyev**, Peintre Celebre and Spinning World.

Other sons of Northern Dancer that have crossed very well with Redoute's Choice and Snitzel include **El Gran Senor**, **Sadler's Wells** and **Local Talent**, while **Be My Guest**, **Jugah**, **Fairy King**, **Lomond**, **Storm Bird**, **Unfuwain**, and **Northern Taste** have also proved successful crosses from limited opportunities.

Other broodmare sire lines that should nick very well with Counterattack include **Red Ransom** (Roberto), **General Nediym** (Nediym), **Umatilla** (Miswaki), **Success Express** (Hold Your Peace), and **Thunder Gulch** (Gulch):

The Redoute's Choice/**Thunder Gulch** cross has produced 30% Stakes performers to runners while the Snitzel/Thunder Gulch cross has produced 25% Stakes winners to runners.

Success Express has been a standout cross for Redoute's Choice with a 100% winning strike rate, led by TICKETS, while Snitzel's multiple Group One winner SHAMUS AWARD is one of just four runners bred on this cross.

Snitzel has a 100% winning strike rate with **Umatilla** and this list is headed by his dual Group One winner SUN JEWELLERY. Meanwhile, from just a handful of runners, Redoute's Choice has produced the successful siblings TRANQUILITY and Impassioned, who, interestingly, are from a mare bred on a Umatilla/Century cross.

General Nediym has proved to be another outstanding cross for both Redoute's Choice and Snitzel – from ten runners bred on the Redoute's Choice/General Nediym cross all are winners and include two Stakes winners and a further two Stakes performers while Snitzel's twelve runners bred on this cross include the Group One winner SIZZLING and a further five Stakes-performers.

Redoute's Choice has had ten runners from **Red Ransom** mares for nine winners and these include two Stakes winners and a further two Stakes performers, while Snitzel has had eighteen runners from Red Ransom mares for thirteen winners, including two Stakes winners and a further six Stakes performers.