



MADEIRA'S CODE RED

2018 Fine Harness World's Grand Champion
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Foaled in 2012, the 2018 Fine Harness World's Grand Champion Madeira's Code Red was bred by Hill Country Acres of Crestwood, Kentucky. Originally named Red Ryder, his name was changed late in his three-year-old year when under the ownership of Cathy Coleman's Alta Dare Farm. He began his show career as a four-year-old in the park division with then trainer Paul Cates. The powerful going gelding had some success but really came to the forefront when Cates switched him to the fine harness division. Madeira's Code Red made a spectacular debut to win the fine harness stake at the Mercer County Fair before becoming the 2017 Reserve World's Champion Fine Harness Stallion/Gelding in his first appearance at the Kentucky State Fair. Shortly after, Madeira's Code Red

was purchased by Anna Marie Knipp's High Spirits Farm of Jefferson City, Missouri. Trainer Jim Lowry placed him back in the park division, earning five blues, before putting the harness on him again. It was a good move as the ground pounding Madeira's Code Red has been undefeated in fine harness since then with unanimous wins at the Kentucky State Fair, St. Louis and the UPHA American Royal.

Madeira's Code Red is by the unshown, up and coming, young stallion Madeira's Rubicon, sire of just 22 registered offspring and already sire of three-gaited stakes winner Madeira's Blue Ruby and winners A Boy Named Blue and Sunset's Madeira. Madeira's Rubicon is a half brother to 2016 Three-Gaited Three-Year-Old World's Champion Madeira's Blue Rose and to

^{CH-EQ}Madeira's Fame. He is by a son of world's grand champion sire and world's champion Callaway's Blue Norther and he is out of a daughter of Roseridge Heir, sire of WC sire RWC I'm Lookin' For You, RWC producer WCC ^{CH}Have You Ever, WC producer WCC Miss Outta My Way, and many more. Roseridge Heir traces back through his dam side to the top Missouri sire Ridgefield Heir, that is line bred to the great WC ^{CH}King's Genius. Ridgefield Heir was known for siring horses that were not just beautiful, but could also go the distance.

Callaway's Blue Norther (WC, RWCC, RWC)	^{CH} Will Shriver (WGC, WC, RWC)
Shamrock's Blue Thunder	Royally Blue
Shamrock Star Command	Feudist Gay Commander
Madeira's Rubicon, 2007 ch.	Miss Star Wars
Roseridge Heir	Madeira's Gift
My Regina Rose	Cedar Creek My Red Rose
Galena	My Gallant Son
	The Big Bounce
^{CH} Will Shriver (WGC, WC, RWC)	Callaway's Johnny Gillen
^{CH} Caramac (WCC, WC, RWC)	^{CH} Kate Shriver (BHF, WGC, WCC, RWC)
Stonehedge Vanity	Vanity's Sensation Of Crebilly
Dots And Dashes, 1996 ch.	Lofty Elaine
Lord O'Shea	Oman's Desdemona Denmark
Breaking The Code	Browncrest Miracle
Mrs. Gotrocks	Sultan's Contract
	Priceless Gem

The dam of Madeira's Code Red, Dots And Dashes, is by WGC sire WCC ^{CH}Caramac, a sire known for his gifted and game offspring. His second dam, Breaking The Code, is by Lord O'Shea (sire of many world's champions including Five-Gaited RWGC ^{CH}The Phoenix SM, WCC ^{CH}Range Rover, etc.), and she is a half sister to WCC ^{CH}Herculean. His third dam, Mrs. Gotrocks, is a half sister to WC Oak Hill's One More Time and to 1980 Five-Gaited Two-Year-Old and 1981 ASHA National Futurity Five-Gaited Three-Year Old World's Champion Family Jewels, sire of Five-Gaited WGC ^{CH}Onion, WCC ^{CH}Tigerlee, WCC ^{CH}Dixie Jewel, WCC ^{CH}Billy Jewel, WC Jewels' Teton, etc. His third dam is Priceless Gem, a full sister to ^{CH}Jewel Sensation (dam of RWC Cherished Jewel and second dam of WCC ^{CH}Cherished King, RWC Make Your Mark, etc.). Also making an appearance on his dam side is the beautiful WGC sire Vanity's Sensation Of Crebilly, known for passing quality and ring presence to his offspring, many of them classical three-gaited stars. In the fourth generation of his dam line we find the sought after WGC sire Oman's Desdemona Denmark, famous not only for siring such five-gaited greats as WGC ^{CH}Belle Elegant, WCC ^{CH}Sensational Princess, and WCC ^{CH}Summer Melody but also Fine Harness World's Grand Champion ^{CH}Reata's Virginia Wolf and many time fine harness world's champion ^{CH}Glenview Radiance. There is but one Hall of Fame broodmare in his first four generations of the papers of Madeira's Code Red but she is one of the best - the all-time great Fine Harness World's Grand Champion ^{CH}Kate Shriver (BHF).

At first glance, the pedigree of Madeira's Code Red looks to be that of a horse destined for the five-gaited division. Go back a bit further and, upon closer examination, it becomes apparent that the genes are there for greatness in any division. He appears to have inherited his powerful

way of moving and his ground covering trot from his five-gaited ancestors, while his chess piece head set and precision of motion come to him through the fine harness champions in his pedigree. But a set of papers is merely a blueprint of potential. It tells us which genes are there and what they are predisposed to produce. The blood of Madeira's Code Red has given him the ability to use his legs, wear his head and strut down the rail with authority, taking no prisoners.

Madeira's Code Red is line bred to Five-Gaited WGC ^{CH}Will Shriver through his two best sons WGC sire WC Callaway's Blue Norther on his top side and WGC sire WCC ^{CH}Caramac on his bottom side. Both ^{CH}Caramac and Callaway's Blue Norther were known for going the distance and the same can be said for their offspring. The road never gets too long for them. It seems only appropriate that Madeira's Code Red is now owned by a Missouri based farm as he is the epitome of Missouri bloodlines. He certainly did his Missouri relatives proud this year as Fine Harness World's Grand Champion Madeira's Code Red is the first Missouri owned horse to win this title since ^{CH}Colonel Boyle won his fifth consecutive world's grand championship in 1964. He is also the first Missouri owned world's grand champion in any division since his family member ^{CH}Will Shriver won the Five-Gaited World's Grand Championship in 1976. At just six years of age with a world's grand championship title in only his second year of showing, and a strong pedigree filled with powerful world's champions, there is nothing to stop Madeira's Code Red from following in the footsteps of his illustrious ancestors and marching on to many, many years of victories.

