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Dhahab Al Danat SINAN AL RAYYAN x MUZHELA

Amoun Madiah DHAHAB AL DANAT x AMOUN MALIKA
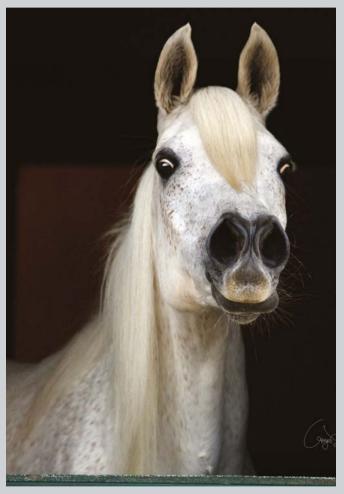
ARABIANS

The Tradition to Breed Straight Egyptians in Germany

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KAMSIN RODAN and Heike Hain

Twenty years ago, the Hain family founded „Amoun Arabian Stud" in North-eastern Germany. It had been a dream of the Hain family all along, and now it became reality: making a tangible connection to the Arabian world via their Arabian horses. "Because of our horses, many direct contacts into the Eastern world of Arabian horse breeders were established. For us, this offered us boundless opportunities of immersing in this breathtakingly

Khedisha Rodaniyah   TABARI x KHEVIVA RODANIYAH

Khediva Rodaniyah   ROOTMARE

MONTASAR	MADKOUR	MORAFIC
		MAISA
	MAYMOONAH	HADBAN ENZAHI
		MALIKAH
KUHAYLAH RUDANYA	MADKOUR	MORAFIC
		MAISA
	NAGHA	GHARIB
		NAZEEFA

Kamsin Rodan   ANSATA SINAN x KHEVIVA RODANIYAH
Multiple Show Champion

beautiful, so highly interesting world of Oriental history and culture", says Heike Hain.

Suddenly, the Orient with its fascinating culture, its Arabian horses, and all of its exotic atmosphere was within the family's reach. Heike Hain, a passionate rider and an ardent fan of Arabian horses, was able to realize her great desire: in 1996, the Straight Egyptian mare Khediva Rodaniah (Montasar x Kuhaylah Rodaniyah) moved into her box stall on the beautiful premises of the Hain family not far from the Baltic sea, in between Hamburg and Berlin. Khediva Rodaniyah was destined to play an important part in the history of the stud. Heike Hain and her mare, meanwhile elevated to the status of "elite mare" by the breeding association, remained faithful to each other for twenty years, when the mare died at a venerable old age. What she left for the stud was three generations of top-class offspring. A year later than her, in 1997, two more foundation mares were added: Talia Halima (Ruminaja Ali x Charm of Halima) of the Dahman Shahwan strain, and Mathea Madheen (Maysoun x Messaouda Madheen) from the Saklawi Jedran family.

A small but refined stud for Arabian horses had been started. These three mares and their offspring became the foundation and mainstays of the Hain family's Arabian breeding. They had that idea of a well-planned and manageable horse breeding operation which refrains from taking up all the temporary fashion trends, instead planning and operating in generation brackets – this was the concept right from the beginning. This way, they would be able to individually promote, nurture and support their home-bred offspring themselves. All of the animals are being looked after and groomed by members of the family, and they were soon able to bring in the successes arising from that. Today, Straight Egyptians bred by Amoun Stud of North Germany have made their homes in many studs of the Oriental world.

As for choosing sires, the Hain family would not rely on experiments with fameless beauties, but made a point of using first class stallions right from the beginning - according to that ancient breeders' motto that *the mare is to maintain and the stallion is to improve the breeding*. Via their foundation mares, the

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Mathea Madheen MAYSOUN x MESOUDAH M
and Heike Hain

Dhahab Al Danat
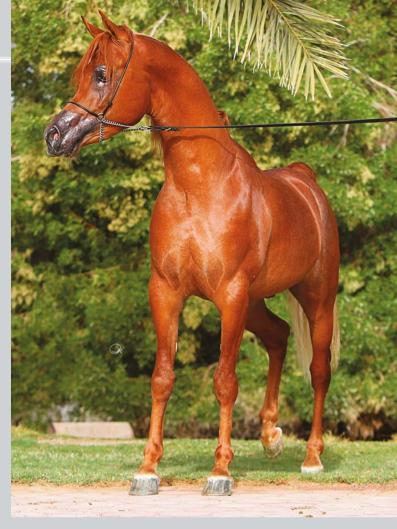
Breeder: Mr. Mohammad Al Omar, Kuwait

SINAN AL RAYYAN	ANSATA SINAN	PRINCE FA MONIET
		ANSATA NEFARA
	AL WAJBA AL RAYYAN	SAFIR
		ANSATA SHARIFA
MUZHELA	SHAMEKH AL SHAQAB	ANSATA SINAN
		MALAKA
	ANGHAM ALBADEIA	FARID ALBADEIA
		DANDANAH ALBADEIA

stud had the genetic pool of legendary stallions such as Ansata Halim Shah and Ruminaja Ali at their disposal. And for improvement, they introduced for servicing internationally famed sires such as Maysoun, Ansata Sinan, Ansata Selman, Ashhal Al Rayyan, Frasera Ramses Shah, Farhoud Al

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Talia Halima   RUMINAJA ALI x CHARM OF HALIMA
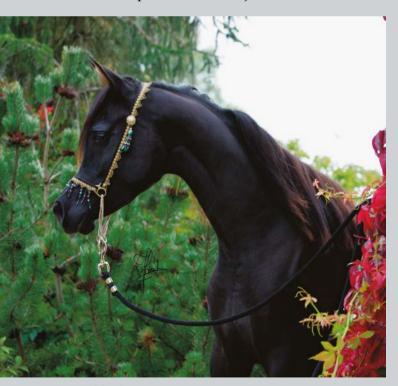with Mr. Manfred Hain

Her daughter

Taysouna
MAYSOUN x TALIA HALIMA

Shaqab, Al Adeed Al Shaqab, Shamekh Al Danat, and also the multiple show winner and self-bred stallion Kamsin Rodan by Ansata Sinan out of their foundation mare Khediva Rodaniyah. Since 2015, there has also been the successful young stallion Dhahab Al Danat to be used for their mares. He is a grandson of Ansata Sinan and in his turn provides that connection to the blood of the extraordinary type this line is known to carry so well. "Fascinated by the mysterious beauty of the Egyptian Arabian horse, we breed this classical type without neglecting, nevertheless, the conformation", that's what Heike Hain says with regard to her breeding goal. And she goes onto say: "What we wish to have are beautiful, highly expressive and typey Egyptian Arabian horses with a correct build who are healthy and robust. We put particular emphasis on the character of our horses, they need to be interested in humans and of a sweet disposition, as this is one of the reasons why we live so closely with them."

Anybody who has seen the farm recognized that here, this requirement is not just a wish but stead-

Khamila Bint Dhahab
KHEDISHA RODANIYAH x DHAHAB AL DANAT

Her grand daughter
Amoun Halima
FRASERA RAMSES SHAH X TAYSOUNA

fast reality. The horses practically live alongside their humans, as when you enter, you can greet the foals in their barns at the right hand, while at the left hand, you step into the Hain family's living room to be served coffee and cake, as is customary when you arrive in a German family's home. This kind of living close, of humans and animals sharing their space to some extent, is the traditional way practiced in many age-old farms, be they located in the flat countryside in North Germany or in the hills and rugged mountain areas of the South of Germany. Living close with the animals provides emotional effects, of course, but there is mainly the down-to-earth practical reason that the farmers would be able to hear their animals and to take action if necessary for a colic or a birth. Under these circumstances, it's reasonable that horses and other animals would develop a character with an interest in humans, and that this feature would, just like it did in Bedouin breeding, consolidate genetically in the course of the generations, to be passed on to offspring.

Amoun Sherifah AMOUN HALIMA x SHAMEKH AL DANAT

Mrs. Heike Hain with her mare Khediva Rodaniah

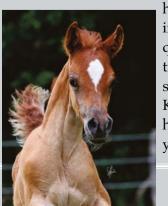## Amoun Halisha AMOUN HALIMA x FARHOUD AL SHAQAB

Even if Heike Hain was the driving force for founding the stud, she was also comprehensively supported by the family. Manfred Hain, her husband, trained and practiced as a veterinary doctor, even if today, he no longer works in that profession. He used to own an Arabian mare. Their children were accustomed to Arabian horses from seeing them in the Rostock zoo, and from learning to ride on offspring of Kaidahl, a Kaisoon son.

When asked what is the most important feature about owning Arabian horses for the family, Heike Hain says: "For us, we really love to see how horse owners will meet and communicate on an international level so very cordially. No matter their different origins and confessions, as soon as the Arabian horse is the pivot for their activities, they will be friends."

She has accumulated quite some experience with international events and Arabian horse breeders from all parts of the breeding world, as for five years now,

she has been organizing Arabian Horse Shows in Germany. Two years ago, she was elected Vice President of *Pyramid Society Europe* (PSE), and in 2016, she was the highly successful organizer behind the *Egyptian Event Europe* for the PSE, held on Castel Dyck near Dusseldorf, Germany. Manfred Hain has also made his love of horses into a time-consuming hobby. For more than ten years now, he has been on the list of international judges for ECAHO and has put his knowledge to use on many small and big Arabian horse shows all over the world.

Amoun Arabians is a small but successful and horse-friendly stud that, in all modesty, tucked quite a number of internationally acknowledged results under their belt. Keep being successful and having lots of fun with your horses!