



LOVATSVILLE ESPIONAGE

ZOUSTAR - IN TIMES OF WAR
BRILLIANTLY BRED 2YO BREEDERS PLATE WINNER



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WELCOME

Dear Breeders, clients and friends,

I'm really excited about the 2026 Victorian season.

The strength of the Victorian breeding and racing scene continues to grow, develop and unify. We've seen it in the strong Victorian two-year-old form through the Sydney juvenile features this year. We've seen it in the quality of first-season sires being offered statewide as our farms continue to invest. Your investment in your own farms, personnel and broodmare bands is evident. The number of international and interstate operations now backing stallions standing in Victoria — I see it as a great feather in our industry's cap.

The world is facing real challenges, and Australia is not without them. With that in mind, we're focused on providing high quality options at great value — and on working with breeders to ensure we're all here to enjoy the game together a long time from now.

I want to thank our partners, team and staff. They continue to help build Lovatsville into a farm that is competing with the majors - a feat we could not have achieved without the support of our internal team but most important you, our clients. It has given us every incentive to keep growing, and to keep challenging the market.

This year, we're proud to add Espionage to the roster. A multiple Group-winning 2 year-old son of Champion Sire Zoustar, a \$1 million James Harron purchased Magic Millions yearling, prepared by Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott, and now standing with Coolmore's support. He is a stunner. A great coup for our farm and for Victoria, and he stands at an introductory fee of \$11,000.

Move To Strike holds at \$16,500 with his first foals imminent — and after a quality 143-mare first book that made him the second most popular first-season stallion in Victoria last year, we're eagerly anticipating the big, strong, dark, shiny stunners that should be his foals.

Royal Meeting returns at a meet-the-market \$8,800. Capable of getting a Champion 2 year-old like Hayasugi, a city winner anywhere across the nation or trade horse to Hong Kong as his record there continues to grow.

Fierce Impact also leans into a breeder-friendly price of \$8,800 — four stakes performers, an 8% black-type-to-runners strike rate, and a Deep Impact-line profile the market has been freshly reminded of by the rise of Sheza Alibi. Strong, durable sorts that improve with age, typical of his own race record and what his great sire Deep Impact produced.

Generation comes back at \$6,600 — the same price Written Tycoon stood at in his third season at stud. He profiles remarkably closely to Sword Of State in pedigree, physique and performance. That boom young sire has earned a healthy fee rise to \$50,000 this season off the back of a fast start. We expect the same from Generation.

Gold Trip — a king of an animal, the only horse since Rising Fast to contest consecutive Cox Plates, Caulfield Cups and Melbourne Cups — and now becoming a sleeper in the market as word spreads about the quality of his foals. For a horse with his quality, ability and aptitude he is an unbelievable \$5,500 this season.

We're open for business. We're keen to get on the road, see your farms, hear about your horses, and find ways to keep working together. If you have a question, want to inspect any of the stallions, or simply want to talk a horse through — please call me directly.

Stay safe and healthy. Best of luck for the 2026 breeding season.

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Proudly Victorian. Open for business. Looking forward to the future.



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ZOUSTAR - IN TIMES OF WAR (STREET CRY)

\$11,000 INCL GST

16.0 HH

**\$1,000,000 YEARLING. GUN 2YO BY ZOUSTAR.
ENDORSED BY COOLMORE.**

When you hear that a yearling colt has brought \$1,000,000 to the bid of James Harron you know one thing - It must be an absolute beauty. The renowned judge is famed for his selection of precocious colts and they all have one thing in common - They are always very, very good-looking.

When Coolmore and their partners stump up \$5,000,000-odd to then buy a James Harron colt you know one thing - It must have size, scope and strength, but above all, it must have exceptional quality.

Espionage is all of the above and more - he is as remarkably good looking as this story suggests. A beautifully coloured stallion with a fabulous Zoustar-styled head. A brilliant loose mover with a plunging girth and a great shoulder, both in strength and in shape.

He has great length, short cannons, good length to his strong hocks (another noted Harron attribute) and one of the most outstanding temperaments you are likely to see.

So the good looking Espionage makes his million bucks as a yearling. He enters the Waterhouse & Bott yard and early on nominates himself as their 2 year-old to follow. He dazzles at the early trials, wins the time-honoured Breeders Plate with great tenacity and lists his name alongside star sires like Snitzel, Pierre, Choisir, Capitalist, Sebring and Charge Forward. Following a spell he returns to take out the Group 3 Kindergarten Stakes, a race won by the likes of Bivouac, Forensics, Solar Charged, Snowland and Belle Du Jour.

Following the Coolmore acquisition Espionage was mooted for an Everest assault in either the Coolmore or James Harron Racing slot, however an untimely injury put paid to those hopes and ultimately a Spring Campaign.

Being out of a well performed Street Cry mare and the grandson of a Magic Millions winner in General Nediym's Military Rose, this brilliant looking son of Champion Sire Zoustar hails from a very active branch of the famed mare Summoned, the family of speed influence Zedative. He has precocity, performance, physique and pedigree to make an immediate and lasting impact on the Australian breeding and racing scene. Espionage has a brilliant ownership group behind him with a 50-strong group of fast Australian mares added to his book already.



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Bay horse

Foaled in 2021

Sire ZOUSTAR 2010	Northern Meteor Zouzou	Encosta de Lago Explosive Redoute's Choice Meteor Mist MacIntavellian Helen Street General Nediym Bella Maddelena	Fairy King Fappiano Duchill Star Shower Mr. Prospector Troy Nediym Flying Spur
Dam IN TIMES OF WAR 2013	Street Cry Military Rose		

ZOUSTAR (AUS) (Bay 2010-Stud 2014). 6 wins-3 at 2, VRC Coolmore Stud S., Gr.1. Champion Season Sire in Aust. in 2024-25. Sire of 1171 rnrs, 808 wnrs, 77 SW, inc. Sunlight (VRC Coolmore Stud S., Gr.1), Joliestar, Zougotcha, Schwarz, Lezoo, Mizzy, Zoutori, Starlust, King of Gosford, Ozzmosis, Climbing Star, Mgheera, Right to Party, Olentia, Madam Rouge, Floozie, Glistening, Habana, Lightsaber, Kiku, Haut Brion Her, Lean Mean Machine, Queen Zou, etc.

1st dam

IN TIMES OF WAR, by Street Cry. **3 wins** at 1100m, 1200m, A\$235,525, ATC Sporting Chance Golfers H., Hyland Race Colours P., 2d ATC Anderson H., Your Local Greengrocer H., Pluck at Vinery H., Hyland Race Colours H., Schweppes H., Chifley Financial Services P., Tab.com.au H.-twice, Theraces H., 3d ATC Membership Now H., Ranvet Power Formula H. Half-sister to Medaglia Valore (dam of **CAMPIONE D'ITALIA**). Dam of five named foals, four to race, **all winners**, inc:

ESPIONAGE (c by Zoustar) **2 wins**.

2nd dam

MILITARY ROSE, by General Nediym. Second top filly on 2009-10 Australasian 2YO Classification. **6 wins**-5 at 1200m, A\$1,625,900, STC Reising S., **Gr.2**, Gold Coast Guineas, **Gr.1**, GCTC Magic Millions 2YO Classic, **RL**, PRC B.I. Metachlan S., **L**, Calaway Gal S., **L**, 3d MVRC Champagne S., **Gr.1**. Dam of **5 winners**, inc:

Medaglia Valore. Winner at 1200m. Dam of -

CAMPIONE D'ITALIA (Snitzel) **2 wins** at 2, A\$1,270,000, in 2025-26, ATC Sires' Produce S., **Gr.1**, Skyline S., **Gr.2**

Flashing Steel (Not a Single Doubt) **6 wins** to 1550m, A\$303,095, to 2024-25, ATC Schweppes H., Toyota Forklifts H., Furphy H., Clarence River JC Lismore Cup, 2d SAJC Sportsbet H., Dominant H., 3d ATC Canonbury S., **Gr.3**, Davali 2YO H.,

Snitzel Miss (Snitzel) Placed at 2 & 3, A\$86,500, to 2025-26, 2d ATC Brave Smash P., Bisley Workwear P., 3d ATC Sweet Embrace S., **Gr.2**, Widden S., **Gr.3**.

3rd dam

BELLA MADDELENA, by Flying Spur. **2 wins** at 1100m, 1200m, STC Schweppes P., 3d STC Bill Murphy Bookmaker H.

Half-sister to **ZESTFUL**, **Zedazest**, Zing and Swing (dam of **KATSU**). Dam of 10 foals, all raced, **6 winners**, inc:

MILITARY ROSE (General Nediym) **6 wins**. See above.

Islands. 2 wins-1 at 2-at 1200m, A\$75,705. Dam of Cavalry Girl. 3 wins-1 at 2-at 1000m, A\$188,400, to 2025-26,

4th dam

ZEST, by Marauding. Placed at 2, Three-quarter-sister to **CLOISTER** (dam of **MELITO**), **UNISON**, Indexed (dam of **FLYING ALPHA**), half-sister to **ZEDITAVE**, **ALANNON**, **PAMPAS FIRE**, **SQUARE DEAL**, **ZEDAGAL**, **Druid's Lodge**, Great Verdict (dam of **GREYS INN**), True Verdict (dam of **VEROCATIVE**). Dam of 12 foals, **9 winners**, inc:

ZESTFUL (Redoute's Choice) **6 wins** to 1200m, A\$460,850, ATC Triscay S., **Gr.3**, Razor Sharp H., **L**, New Evening Star H., Hyland Race Colours H., 2d ATC Triscay S., **Gr.3**, Toy Show H., **Gr.3**, Nivison S., **Gr.3**, 3d ATC Wenona Girl H., **Gr.3**, GCTC Silk Stocking H., **L**, 4th ATC Starlight S., **L**.

Zedazest (Fuji Kiseki) **4 wins** to 1500m, A\$110,140, SAJC Chianti Classico H., 2d SAJC Auraria S., **Gr.3**, Chad Hancock Cancer Foundation H., 3d SAJC HC Nitschke S., **L**, 4th SAJC Australasian Oaks, **Gr.1**, Port Adelaide Guineas, **L**. Producer.

2 wins at 2, A\$397,400, ATC Kindergarten S., **Gr.3**, Breeders' P., **Gr.3**, 2d ATC Silver Slipper S., **Gr.2**



A precocious, Group winning son of Champion Sire Zoustar, Espionage has a pedigree which can accommodate and complement many broodmare lines. The key individuals and families identified in Espionage's ancestry are accompanied by recommended sires (shown in **BOLD**), whose presence in mares' pedigrees can complement or reinforce these lines.

Encosta De Lago and Flying Spur are from the CIBOULETTE branch of the (4-g) family. Other family members to source are **HOME AFFAIRS**, **RUSSIAN REVOLUTION**, **FINANCE TYCOON**, **SPIETH**, **COCO LA TERREUR**, **NIGHT SHIFT**, **SNAADDEE**, **KHELEYF** and **HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR**.

It is also worth sex balancing Flying Spur or Encosta De Lago for a speed boost. Daughters of **ENCOSTA DE LAGO** can be sourced via mares by **ALABAMA EXPRESS**, **IMPENDING**, **INVADER**, **DIVINE PROPHET** and in future, **SWORD OF STATE**. Broodmare sires carrying sons of **FLYING SPUR** include those by **ALL TOO HARD**, **CASINO PRINCE**, **MAGNUS**, **JET SPUR** and **SHAFT**.

Espionage carries Machiavellian, Danehill (twice), Halo and a total of five lines to Northern Dancer, all tracing to **ALMAHMOUD** (2-c). Halo appears as damsire of Machiavellian, on Espionage's fifth remove. Sons of **HALO** in mares will sex balance this important ancestor. He can be found via daughters / granddaughters of **MORE THAN READY** (and sons **BETTER THAN READY**,

BENICIO, **PERFECTLY READY**, **PLUCK**, **SEBRING**), **DON'T SAY HALO** and **DUBLEO**. **SUNDAY SILENCE** is also a son of Halo with descendant daughters in Australasia. They include those by **DEEP IMPACT** (sons **SAXON WARRIOR**, **MIKKI ISLE**, **STAPHANOS**, **REAL IMPACT**, **SATONO ALADDIN**, etc), **ADMIRE MARS**, **FUJI KISEKI**, **ANY GIVEN SUNDAY**, **KEEP THE FAITH**, **HEART'S CRY**, **TOSEN PHANTOM** (and son **BRAVE SMASH**), **TAYASU SUYOSHI** and **ZENNO ROB ROY**.

Other **ALMAHMOUD** family members to seek in mares' pedigrees are **ACE HIGH**, **SUPIDO**, **WAY OF LIGHT**, **EXIT TO NOWHERE**, **EL MOXIE**, **YOUTHFUL LEGS**, **DIATRIBE**, **ESPERERO**, **L'EMIGRANT**, **CANNONADE** and **ARCTIC TERN**.

The **TORPENHOW** (8-f) family is represented by Redoute's Choice and his damsire, Nijinsky II. Linebreeding to this family is a very successful pattern. **AL MAHER**, **MASTERCLASS**, **HURRICANE SKY**, **NEW REGENT**, **SPINNING WORLD**, **DOMESDAY**, **EL GRAN SENOR**, **TRY MY BEST** (sire of **LAST TYCOON**), **FAR NORTH**, **THE MINSTREL**, **UMATILLA**, **XAAR**, **FREE AMERICA**, **GOOD JOURNEY** and **FRIENDLY RELATIONS** are other family members to seek in mares for Espionage. As an example, Group 1 winner Schwarz is by Zoustar out of a daughter of **NOT A SINGLE DOUBT** (sex balancing Redoute's Choice) and also traces on tail female line to a half sister to Redoute's Choice, further reinforcing this valuable line.

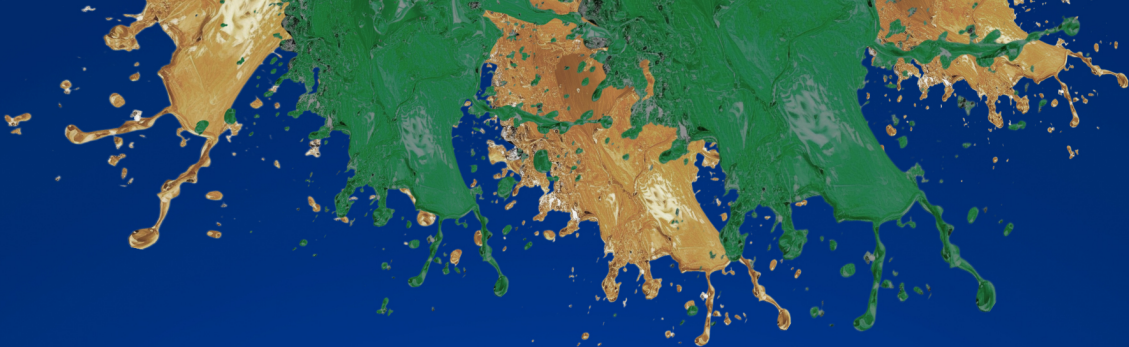
Street Cry, damsire of Espionage, is a close relation to **SHAMARDAL** and works very well with him in matings. His sons **LOPE DE VEGA** (and sons **BELARDO** and **LUCKY VEGA**), **EARTHLIGHT**, **GHIBELLINES**, **PUISSANCE DE LUNE** and **SHAMOLINE WARRIOR** are valuable sources.

Espionage's fourth dam is **SUMMONED**, a taproot of the **PARAFFIN** (1-n) family. This is also the immediate family of **ZEDITAVE**, **JET SPUR** and **ALANNON**. **RESET** mares carry Zeditave, present as his damsire. Zoustar has produced over ten Group 1 winners to-date and analysis of his best stock reveals the mares by (or carrying) stallions accessible in Australasia.

Espionage carries **GOODY TWO SHOES** family members Northern Meteor and Fairy King via Zoustar. Other members of this family which would enhance this line are **SADLER'S WELLS**, **NUREYEV**, **PERUGINO** (and son **TESTA ROSSA**), **TATE GALLERY**, **GEIGER COUNTER**, **YEATS**, **INFLATE**, **THATCHING**, **THATCH**, **TOPSIDER**, **FESTIVAL HALL**, **LORENZACCIO** and **OPEN DAY**. **ZABEEL** is out of a Nureyev mare. Three of Zoustar's ten Group 1 winners reinforce this family via their dams. **FASTNET ROCK** has an excellent strike rate with Zoustar of 12.7%* Stakes Winners to Runners.

As a further example of successful sex balancing, Zoustar's dam is a daughter of Redoute's Choice. He has worked well with mares carrying sons of **REDOUTE'S CHOICE**. This cross has an impressive Stakes Winners to Runners ratio of nearly 11%*.





Drill for OIL where it has been found before:

I AM INVINCIBLE stood his first season at \$11,000. A South Australian Group 3 winner, his main assets were his speed and his exceptional looks, both traits he passed on to his progeny. A multiple champion sire whose fee reached a record of \$302,500.

ESPIONAGE: SPEED ✓. EXCEPTIONAL LOOKS ✓. AFFORDABLE FEE ✓.

WRITTEN TYCOON, a Group 2 winning 2 year-old who stood his first season at \$8,250. Hailing from a colonial sprinting family, he has a brilliant girth and great strength, both traits he has passed on to his progeny. A Champion Sire whose fee peaked publicly at \$165,000.

ESPIONAGE: GIRTH & STRENGTH ✓. COLONIAL SPEED PEDIGREE ✓. EXPLOSIVE 2YO FORM ✓.

ZOUSTAR, Reigning Champion Australian Sire. Sire of more than 80 stakes winners from 839 winners, including Group 1 winners Sunlight, Joliestar, Zougotcha, Schwarz, Lezoo, Mizzy etc. Great colour and quality. Stamps his stock. Fabulous temperament.

ESPIONAGE: STAMPED WITH ZOUSTAR'S HEAD, COLOUR AND QUALITY ✓. BRILLIANT 2YO FORM ✓. BRILLIANT BRAIN ✓.



“He was very much a precocious 2-year-old, a sensational horse with enormous speed who did everything so easily. He has such a fabulous temperament, which is so important. He is as good-looking a colt as you will find, and being a fast son of Zoustar with looks like his, I know that breeders will be very impressed when they see him.”

- Champion Trainer, Gai Waterhouse.



“Espionage embodied everything that we look for in a stallion prospect as a yearling. He has great quality and presence, lovely purpose to his action, a deep girth and natural athleticism. What was equally impressive was his attitude, I would have inspected him a number of times, at various stages throughout the days and he was totally unflappable every time. His pedigree is naturally something that drew us towards him. It combines the brilliance of Champion Sire Zoustar, together with a family replete with Australian speed, through his second dam, Magic Millions winner Military Rose.

I love the dam sires in his pedigree - he's out of a mare by Street Cry, who is as good a broodmare sire as there is in the world, who is in turn out of a mare by General Nediym, bringing that fast colonial speed that works so well. Beyond those, the next two damsires in his pedigree are also great Australian speed influences, Flying Spur and Marauding.

I think he's a stallion who will suit a large proportion of the Australian mare population. He's got the size and strength to suit the smaller speed mares, while also having the quality to put some refinement into bigger mares who need a bit of tidying up.”

- Espionage's yearling purchaser, James Harron.



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NOMINATIONS PACKAGE

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