

Where have all the Hadbans Gone?

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Over the years breeders around the world have used the Hadban Enzahi as a breeding horse. In Egypt at the R.A.S they used Nabras, Ibn Rabdan, Mashhour and Baiyyad, the E.A.O. heavily used Nazeer, then Hafid Anter , Germany had Hadban Enzahi, Russia imported Aswan, in the USA we had *SF Ibn Nazeer, *El Akhrani and *Serenity Abu Simbel. Breeders have often wondered why the Hadban Enzahi produced as it did, even puzzled by them. Some call it a blending strain, meaning that it blends well with other strains while not having a particular prepotency for any one trait. Others say it is a diverse gene pool and still others say as it is not prepotent it is not a good breeding horse. Yet, some of the greatest sires of Egypt were of the Hadban strain.

Nazeer is famous throughout the world for siring a string of beautiful horses. He was a successful racehorse and was one of the great breeding stallions of his time. Ibn Radban was said by Raswan to be "A world champion type", often described as commanding and elegant. He sired his share of beauties as well, referred to by Judith Forbis as the "Fabulous Four", Shahloul, Hamdan, Radwan and Samira all out of the mare Bint Radia.

The impact that Aswan had on Russian breeding is legendary. Hadban Enzahi was a tremendous sire for Germany and his daughters were sought after broodmares for many years. But for some reason, the Hadban stallions that came to the USA were not appreciated as those in other countries.

It would seem that the Hadban Enzahi tends to take on the genetic traits of what ever it is bred with. Look at the photos here of three famous USA imported Nazeer sons. While they are all beautiful stallions, they are very different from each other, representing the strain of their dam. Yet, you see the classic look of each that could only come from Nazeer.



*Ansata Ibn Halima



*Talal



*Rashad Ibn Nazeer

(Dahman)

(Saklawi)

(Kuhaylan)

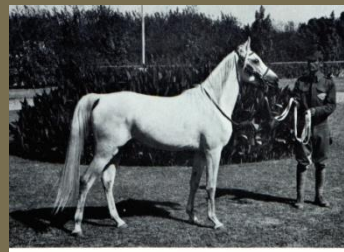
Here are three more photos of Nazeer sons.



Aswan
(Hadban Enzahi)



Alaa El Din
(Kuhaylan)



Hadban Enzahi
(Hadban Enzahi)

Each photo is a representative of its dam line. Looking at *Ansata Ibn Halima you see the beautiful compact Dahman, with *Talal you see the stretchy longer lines of the Saklawi, *Rashad Ibn Nazeer shows the bolder Kuhaylan traits. Alaa El Din also shows the bolder more masculine traits of the Kuhaylan. The photos of Aswan and Hadban Enzahi show us what the Hadban Enzahi should look like as they are both Pure-in-Strain Hadban Enzahi stallions. The differences are slight and subtle but they are there, the slightly shorter back or the arch of the neck and the length of the poll. The set of the front legs or the reach of the hind, the neck is set at a different angle on each strain or the difference in the length and angle of the hip.

Here are three of the Fabulous Four, sired by Ibn Rabdan!



Shahloul



Hamdan

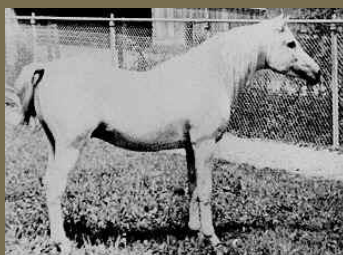


Samira

Three more photos of Ibn Rabdan Offspring



Ibn Fayda (Saklawi)



*Fadl (Saklawi)



*Bint Bint Durra (Dahmah)

Within the confines of Sheykh Obeyd breeding there is one strain that is very rare with less than 35 horses in existence. It is that of the Hadban Al Nazhi known today as the Hadban Enzahi strain.

Long ago, it was written, that in the deserts of Arabia there is a strain praised by people more than any other. Originally from the ancient tribe of the Beni Lam, descending from the Kuhaylat Al Ajuz of the Al Khamsa. Beni Lam owned a mare that possessed a profusely long mane that completely covered her forehead (hadba salifa) and for this reason she was called Hadba. All the horses of this strain descend from the mare of Beni Lam.



It was stated in *Notes on the Bedouins and Wahabys* published after the death of John L. Burkhardt in 1817, "El Nazahhy, a breed of the Hadbaba. Some tribes reckon the Nazakhy stallions among the number of blood horses." "The Hadaba breeds are much esteemed in the Nedjd." "This is a very interesting statement. In Mr. Burckhardts day a "blood horse" was considered the purest and very worthy of breeding. He does not make this statement of any other strain except the Ajuz. The word "Hadaba" means rise of a mountain or bulging.

The strain of Hadba is also mentioned in the *Abbas Pasha Manuscript* translated by Gulsun Sherif and Judith Forbis as being the fourth preference among all the strains described by Abbas Pasha.

Lady Anne Blunt, in her books and Journals describes the Hadban Enzahi as "also uncommon among the Anazeh, the best having formerly been possessed by the Roala. Hadban Enzakhi is the best sub-strain, and to it belonged a remarkable mare owned by Mohammed Jirro at Deyr. She stood about fourteen hands two inches, was bay with black points, carried her tail very high, and was full of fire. She looked like a racehorse, though not an English one. The other two sub-strains are Mshetib and El Furrd, are not so much esteemed."

Major R. D. Upton in his book published in 1881 "Gleaning from the Desert of Arabia, Page 299, "Hadban Family or strain, but certainly of "Al Khamseh." - Hadban Euzehi - Hadban al-Fert - Hadban Musaileh - Hadban Ghassi - Hadban al-Zaile

Page 328,

Hadban Family: Of the Hadban family we saw horses of the Enzahi, Al Fert, and Ghafil; and of its fine varieties we heard that the first two are most esteemed. Although we did not see many horses or mares of this family, it seemed to be esteemed by the Anazeh generally, and all the horse we saw of it were good and fine animals"

"We also saw a chestnut mare of the Hadban family and of the strain called Enzehi, with a sweet hard level top and a swinging walk."



In 1893 Hassan Abu Amin brought out of the Arabian Desert and into Egypt a chestnut mare, bred by the Yunus Clan of the Zaubas-Shammar Tribe. She was said to be around three years old and would to be incorporated into the breeding program of Khedive Abbas Pasha Hilmi II.

Her name was Venus!

Khedive Abbas Pasha Hilmi II

This is her story, her history and that of the dynasty she left behind. One little mare, brought out of the deserts of Arabia to a new land where pyramids stand and the ancient gods of Egypt keep watch over the beloved horse of the Bedouin.

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Very little has been written of this mare and there are no known photographs of her. We do not know how tall she was; what her conformation was like or why she only had one daughter. It is not known where she went or what she did or who may have owned her after the Khedive. It is surprising that so little was written of her, as she was known by many other names Yunis, Hadba and Shekra Zefra.

Shortly after her importation she was bred to the Khedive's stallion Saklawi I. In 1894 Venus produced a daughter simply called Hadba. Hadba is the only recorded produce of Venus. From the one surviving photograph of her, she appears to be a very dark chestnut. She is very similar to her descendants in type and structure. From this photograph we cannot see the shape of her head but it seems to be set on a long poll with a fine neck with a very powerful and laid back shoulder. Hadba produced only two daughters, Gamila and Bint Hadba El Saghira.

Gamila was a chestnut sired by El Sennari, her foaling date was not recorded. She was born at the Khedive's stable in Kobbah. Like her dam, she too, only produced one daughter, Bint Gamila. Nothing more is recorded of Gamila. From this one mare, bred and born in Egypt, the strain of the Hadba Enzahi continues today.

In 1914, the Royal Agricultural Society decided to concentrate upon preserving the Asil Arab horse and expanding the country's stock of pure Arabian blood. They were at first frustrated by the fact that many of the best Arabians were in the hands of private breeders. But later that year, as a gift from the Khedive Abbas Pasha Hilmi II, both mares, Hadba El Saghira and Bint Gamila, were sent to the Royal Agricultural Society. These gifts were received on June 6th 1914, just six months before Abbas Pasha Hilmi II was deposed.

Residing at the Society's farm at Bahteem, they began a family that would go down in history producing some of the finest breeding horses Egypt and the world has ever known. They would be the progenitors of two out of the three sire lines in existence today. To say these two little mares made an impact on Arabian breeding would be an understatement. The dynasty is theirs, the heritage continued and the promise fulfilled. This is their tale, the tale of horses that won't be extinguished, that defy the law of averages and will continue to survive the odds .



Bint Gamila 1911
(Ibn Nadra x Gamila)

Bint Gamila, sired by Ibn Nadra, was a flea-bitten grey with a star and snip with a white spot inside near her hock, foaled November 4, 1911 at Kobbah stables of Khedive Abbas Pasha Hilmi II. While Bint Gamila was a prolific producer with five sons, she too, only had one daughter, sired by Rabdan, Bint Rabdan. Bint Rabdan produced three sons and 2 daughters. Her sons were not used at the stud and both daughters were sold off the farm. No further record of Bint Rabdan exists. A very sad loss to breeders today, these two mares were the only female connection to Bint Gamila and could have given us another female line to Venus.

Bint Gamila's sons, however, are a different story. Two sons, Ibn Rabdan and Baiyad, were retained and used for breeding by the R.A.S.

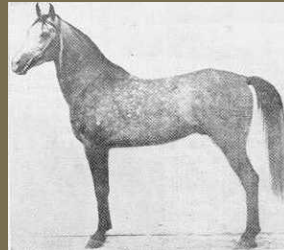
Ibn Rabdan, sired by Rabdan and foaled in 1917, was retained by the R. A. S. as a breeding stallion. He was used in the programs of Prince Mohammed Ali, Inshass, Prince Kamal El Din as well as the R.A.S. He was a very dark chestnut about 15.1 hands high. Although, he had somewhat of a plain head, his

conformation was almost perfect. He is one of only two sire lines left in Sheykh Obeyd breeding, the other being the Hadban Enzahi stallion Nazeer. His daughter's read like a who's who of Arabian breeding, Fayza, Samiha, Bint Bint Dalal,, Kahila, Samira, and *Maaroufa. His sons are also an illustrious group, Shahloul, Hamdan, Ibn Fayda, *Fadl, imported by Babson and *Silver Yew imported by W.R.Brown.

Baiyad, sired by Mabrouk Manial foaled in 1918, is the sire of the well-known Babson import *Bint Bint Sabbah as well as the pure in strain mare Samha, sister to Nazeer, both out of Bint Samiha combining both Bint Gamila and Bint Hadba El Saghira for the first time.



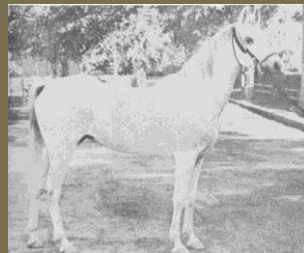
RAS Photo
Ibn Rabdan 1917
(Rabdan x Bint Gamila)



RAS Photo
Baiyad 1918

The Gamila branch is represented today only by these two stallions, Ibn Rabdan in both sire line and as sire of mares and Baiyad as a sire line in mares only. There are no living stallions descending in tail-male to Baiyad.

Two Baiyad Daughters



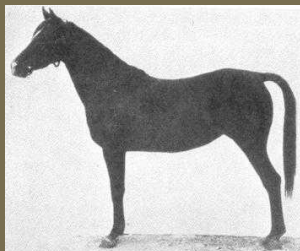
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Samha 1931
(Baiyad x Bint Samiha)



RAS Photo
***Bint Bint Sabbah 1930**
(Baiyad x Bint Sabah)

Hadba's other daughter, Bint Hadba El Saghira, a chestnut with a star, strip and a snip in both nostrils, was born on February 22, 1912 at Kobba stables of Khedive Abbas Pasha Hilmi II. She was sired by the Saklawi I son El Halabi. Bint Hadba El Saghira was the dam of two sons and five daughters. Her sons were not used at stud and only two daughters left any foals to carry on the line. Samiha by Samhan and Bint Rustem by Rustem, (who will be reviewed later in this article.) A third daughter, Bint Bint Hadba by Hamran, was bred but nothing is left of her line today.

The Three Daughters of Bint Hadba El Saghira



RAS Photo

Samiha 1918
(Samhan x Bint Hadba El
Saghira)

RAS Photo

Bint Rustem 1922
(Rustem x Bint Hadba El Saghira)

RAS Photo

Bint Bint Hadba 1923
(Hamran x Bint Hadba El Saghira)

Samiha, a chestnut mare foaled October 4, 1918, produced the Sheikh Obeyd mares Fayza by Ibn Rabdan, combining the blood of both Bint Gamila and Bint Hadba El Saghira, and Bint Samiha by Kazmeen. Fayza produced three Sheikh Obeyd mares, two sired by Mansour, Bint Fayza 1932 and Fawzeia 1934 and the third, Morsheda 1937 by Nabras (another Hadban Enzahi imported from the desert). She also produced three Sheikh Obeyd sons.

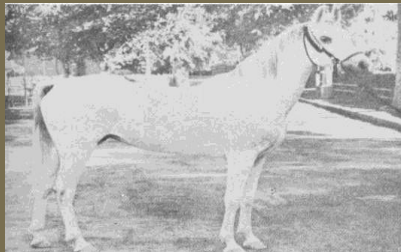
Unfortunately, all the foals Fayza produced were sold off the farm and nothing is left of this line today.



RAS Photo
Bint Samiha 1925
(Kazmeen x Samiha)

This leaves the daughter Bint Samiha. Bint Samiha a bay mare sired by Kazmeen, was the dam of the now famous Nazeer by Mansour, Samha by Baiyad (of the Gamila line) and Shams by Mashaan. While her photograph does not give us a clue of her breeding ability, she nonetheless produced an outstanding family that is still in existence today. She was a breeding mare, consistently passing on extreme classic beauty to her foals that would continue to be passed to her grand children and beyond. She is responsible for producing the now famous Nazeer, who has created the largest line in Egyptian breeding and her granddaughter *Mamdouha, imported to the United States, went on to create one of the most prolific and beautiful lines ever to come out of Egypt.

We are very fortunate to have this line available today through many fine Egyptian horses.



RAS Photo
Samha 1931
(Baiyad x Bint Samiha)

Samha was a flea-bitten grey mare of outstanding quality due to the combining of the Hadban Enzahi lines. She was born in 1931 and died in 1942. Samha would not live to a ripe old age but she would give birth to two Sheikh Obeyd daughters that would influence breeding programs all over the world. A mare of extreme quality and rare beauty and you will see this was passed to her foals. Samha produced seven foals in her short life and two of the most important mare in Straight Egyptian and Sheikh Obeyd breeding. *Mamdouha 1940 and Kamla 1942. These two mares would leave dynasties in their own right. Producing fabulous horses that would impact the breeding programs around the world.



RAS Photo
Kamla 1942
(Sheikh El Arab x Samha)

Kamla was one of the most beautiful grey mares ever sired by Sheikh El Arab. Kamla was born in 1942 and died in 1958. She only had three recorded foals during her life. She was retained by the R.A.S. and was one of mares General Von Pettko-Szandtner chose for breeding when he made his selections for his broodmare band at the RAS.

Kamla produced two Sheikh Obeyd sons both sired by Nazeer, inbreeding or line breeding to Bint Samiha, depending on your prospective. Kamel 1952, was sold to Marbach and went to Germany where his name was changed to Hadban Enzahi and, Kamal II 1954, who was sold and has no registered foals.

Kamla was bred to the elegant El Sareei in 1955 and had one Sheikh Obeyd daughter, **Bint Kamla!**



RASB Photo
Hadban Enzahi 1952
(Nazeer x Kamla)



RAS Photo
Bint Kamla 1956
(El Sareei x Kamla)

Hadban Enzahi left his mark on German breeding and was an outstanding stallion. Hadban Enzahi was a very correct horse with splendid type. Hadban Enzahi is given credit for regenerating the breeding program after it post World War II deterioration. In an in-breeding experiment, Hadban Enzahi was used on his own daughters, producing some of Marbach's most prized broodmares. Again, Proving that inbreeding and linebreeding the Hadban Enzahi horses gives excellent results. His offspring became noted for a great persistence of type that is generally the result of breeding a Hadban stallion to a Hadba mare, but most especially for their hardiness spirit and the high energy, which is very typical of the Hadban Enzahi, strain. He had an imperious look and an unapproachable character as do so many of the Hadbans. They remain loving, trusting but somewhat aloof. While he had many sons of note he would become known for his many splendid daughters.

Bint Kamla by El Sareei was an outstanding mare. She was very much an Arab, ultra refined and elegant and like her mother, inherited the extreme beauty of the Samiha line. Her daughter also inherited wonderful type and conformation. Bint Kamla produced Lutfia exported to Babolna, Hungary and Nazeema both sired by Alaa El Din



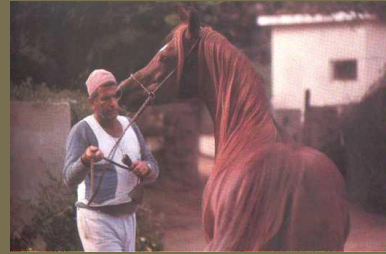
EAO Photo
Nazeema
(Alaa El Din x Bint Kamla)



EAO Photo
Lutfia 1967 (aka 7 Lutfia)
(Alaa El Din x Bint Kamla)

Nazeema was a beautiful mare displaying the refined type of her dam. She stayed in Egypt and was the dam of two Sheikh Obeyd sons by Wahag, Ozak who was exported to Qatar and Misk who would stay in Egypt with Madame Wedgan El Barbary.

Lutfia(aka 7 Lutfia) was chosen for The Babolna Stud of Hungry. She was an exquisite mare and very typical of her family. She is very much like her dam and granddam. Her head was very refined, breezy, dry and chiseled with a very pretty dished face.



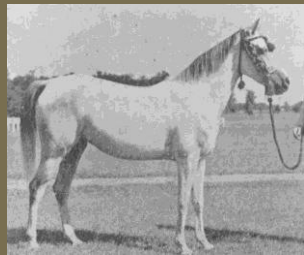
Shams El Asil Photo
Misk
(Wahag x Nazeema)

Misk was considered to be one of the most exciting stallions in Egypt of his time. He was fiery red with exquisite type. Some years ago, Misk was loaned to King Hussain of Jordan for a three month breeding period by special permission from the Egyptian government, where he left some excellent offspring at the Royal Jordanian stud. Misk was the sire of some very nice foals and crossed well with many different lines.

Both mares, Nazeema and Lutfia were extremely beautiful and excellent producers; passing on the dry, typey look of the true Bedouin mare. They were superior broodmares consistently passing the quality the Hadbah Enzahi is known for. Both mares left fine offspring currently used in Egyptian breeding the world over, however, neither mare left a Sheykh Obeyd daughter. Today, there are no Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi horses descending from Kamla or Bint Kamla.

The mare tail female line to Bint Gamila no longer exists.

The first-born daughter of Samha would leave a very large family. In 1947, Arabian horse breeder Daniel Gainey, made a trip to Egypt, where he purchased from the Royal Agricultural Society a bred mare and imported her to the United States. The mare was *Mamdouha, a grey, sired by Kheir. She was in foal at the time of her importation to the stallion Enzahi, her foal, *Gamila produced several foals and went on to produce a empire of her own within Sheykh Obeyd lines. *Mamdouha also produced a son by Fay El Dine, Gayour, chestnut in 1950, who was not used at stud. She was exported to South Africa in 1954, *Mamdouha was not bred to a Sheykh Obeyd stallion in South Africa.



Gainey Photo
*Mamdouha 1940
(Kheir x Samha)



Anchor Hill Photo
*Gamila 1947
(Enzahi x *Mamdouha)

*Gamila was acquired at the age of twelve by Anchor Hill Arabians where she was bred to a Sheykh Obeyd stallion for the first time. She would produce 4 daughters by the Babson stallion Hadbah but only one would breed on within Sheykh Obeyd. That daughter was Anchor Hill Hamla. I have included a photo of one of her daughters that did produce a Sheykh Obeyd foal and a photo of the foal. As you can see, *Gamila was a wonderful producing mare, her foals were correct and had the quality one would expect from her royal ancestors.



Anchor Hill Photo
Anchor Hill Hadga 1962
(Hadbah x *Gamila)



Anchor Hill Photo
Anchor Hill Sheba 1968
(Char Echo x Anchor Hill Hadga)

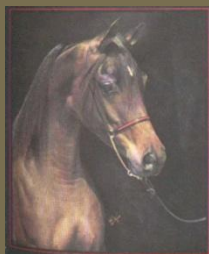
Anchor Hill Sheba was a very beautiful mare and produced beautiful babies, however, she was never bred to a Sheikh Obeyd stallion so she has no Sheikh Obeyd foals.

Luckily for breeders today, *Gamila had a full sister to Anchor Hill Hagda, Anchor Hill Hamla!



Anchor Hill Hamla
(Hadbah x *Gamila)

Anchor Hill Hamla was an extraordinary mare and would produce an extraordinary dynasty. The Hamla family is the largest Straight Egyptian, Sheikh Obeyd, Hadban Enzahi family in existence today. This pretty little grey mare was a spectacular producer. She was bred to some very fine Straight Egyptian Sheikh Obeyd stallions, Ansata Abu Nazeer, Char Echo and *Talal. For most of her breeding career she was bred to Ansata Abu Nazeer with whom she gave birth to five daughters: Glorieta Dalima, Glorieta Rabdania, Glorieta Zaarina, Glorieta Zaafira and Glorieta Bint Abu. Of these five mares only two would continue within the Sheikh Obeyd gene pool. **Glorieta Dalima** and **Glorieta Rabdania**! She was bred to *Talal once and produced a daughter, **Glorieta Tala**, who would produce one replacement filly, **AK Rabiya**. She was also bred once to Char Echo and produced a daughter, **Glorieta Gambolia**, who would produce the only Sheikh Obeyd, Hadban Enzahi stallion the world would have available for almost 15 years. That makes her the dam of seven Sheikh Obeyd foals, quite a number even by current standards where replacement breeding is sought after.



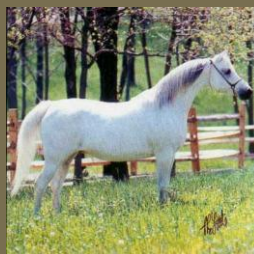
Glorieta Zaafira

Both **Glorieta Zaafira** and **Glorieta Zaarina** graced the Egyptian world with fantastic foals, Show winners and great beauties in their own right. It is important to breed Sheikh Obeyd horses to all lines, but it is a shame that these extraordinary mares have not left at least one Sheikh Obeyd female descendant. ♦ As we see with other horses of the Hadban Enzahi strain, it is easy to lose the blood by out crossing them to other Egyptian bloodlines without a Sheikh Obeyd replacement.



Glorieta Zaarina

Glorieta Dalima
(Ansata Abu Nazeer x Anchor Hill Hamla)



Glorieta Dalima is a fine producing mare. Each of her foals is as exotic as you would ever want. Their heads are very beautiful with great width between the eyes and jowls. They are truly a headhunters dream with a large jibbah and big black soulful eyes. Dalima was bred to Apple Hillel Nisr for two foals, a son , MahrDALIM El Nisr is her oldest Sheykh Obeyd foal and Apple Hill Alnisa, deceased, was the epitome of beauty and elegance. The loss of this mare is indeed a sad one. She would have made a tremendous impact on the future of Hadban breeding. But Dalima did not quit with these two magnificent foals, she went on being bred to SAR Fadl Halim and produced another exquisite son, Mijan Fadazz and a daughter by REA Maar Halim, Mijan Bint Dalima and a daughter by Masada Shahwan, Zurhara Dalima. Dalima's last foal is perhaps the most look-alike of all her foals, Hadba El Mansoura, sired by Hallanny Mistanny.



Apple Hill Alnisa

MahrDALIM El Nisr

(Apple Hillel Nisr x Glorieta Dalima)



Mijan Bint Dalima
(Sired by REA Maar Halim)



Hadba El Mansoura
(Sired by Hallanny Mistanny)



Zurhara Dalima
(Sired by Masada El Shahwan)

MahrDALIM El Nisr, Mijan Bint Dalima, Hadba El Mansoura and Zurhara Dalima are all in a Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi breeding program.

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The only other daughter of Anchor Hill Hamla to be preserved within Sheykh Obeyd is Glorieta Rabdania.
(Ansata Abu Nazeer x Anchor Hill Hamla)

Glorieta Rabdania is a very pretty chestnut mare foaled in 1980. She is very different in type from her sister Dalima. She was bred to the Anter son * Serag and gave birth to the beautiful chestnut stallion, Ben Ben Anter as well as the chestnut stallion Raheeb. Rabdania was bred to Masada El Shahwan for one son, the beautiful bay stallion Willowoods Nazeer. Not to be denied the opportunity to remain in the already very limited gene pool of Hadban Enzahi's Rabdaina presented her owner with two daughters sired by the beautiful black stallion Serhalim BWA. Both fillies are chestnut but it is my guess that they will produce the illusive black color.



Willowood Nazeer
(Masada El Shahwan)



Glorys Zaafir
(Serhalim BWA)



Hamla BWA
(Serhalim BWA)



Lang Photo
AK Rabiya

(Ansata El Sherif x Glorieta Tala)

Glorieta Tala, sired by *Talal and born in 1974, like many of her ancestors would produce only one Sheykh Obeyd daughter, **AK Rabiya**. Late in life Glorieta Tala went to a Sheykh Obeyd breeding home with the hope of producing one more Sheykh Obeyd foal. In 1993, she gave birth to a colt, **REA Hadban Talal** who was gelded. A valiant effort, but it came too late in her life to allow her to continue producing any more Sheykh Obeyd foals.

The legacy of Glorieta Tala is left to her one and only Sheykh Obeyd daughter born 10 years earlier, **AK Rabiya** who is sired by the incomparable Ansata El Sherif. She is a very beautiful and elegant mare. When Rabiya was 12 years old she went to Walter Schimanski and was bred to Fay El Hadidi for a filly and then to FA Asar for 3 more fillies. Sadly, one filly very recently died before ever starting her career as a broodmare. Two of the fillies are owned by someone who may not continue their Sheykh Obeyd breeding and may very well be lost to our efforts. This leaves only one filly to carry on.

AK Rabyia and her youngest daughter are in a Sheykh Obeyd breeding program and hopefully will continue this rare and valuable line as it is one of only a very few connections Sheykh Obeyd breeders have with

*Tala.



Glorieta Gambolia was Hamlas' only foal sired by Char Echo. The dam of two Sheikh Obeyd foals both sired by *Ansata Ibn Halima and his son, Ansata Abu Nazeer.

Glorieta Gambolia
(Char Echo x Anchor Hill Hamla)



Glorieta Gazaal
(Ansata Abu Nazeer x
Glorieta Gambolia)



Glorieta Angelima
(*Ansata Ibn Halima x Glorieta
Gambolia)

For many years after the formation of The Sheikh Obeyd Foundation, Glorieta Gazaal was the only stallion available of the treasured Hadban Enzahi Strain. Glorieta Angelima was a beautiful Filly. She was not replaced within Sheikh Obeyd.

The legacy of *Mamdouha and her daughter *Gamila continues today. The dedicated breeders within Sheikh Obeyd understand the importance of the continuance of the Hadban Enzahi and they are not willing to give up on this rare and endangered line, with only 18 living animals there is a very good chance that this precious and treasured connection will be available to all breeders in the future.

The Bint Samiha son **Nazeer** is possibly the most famous horse in history.



Van Vleet Photos

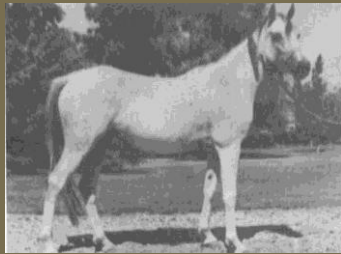
Nazeer was born in 1934 by Mansour and out of Bint Samiha, Nazeer began life as a chestnut with a star on his forehead and the name of Noseir, which translates to "That which attracts the eye".

Nazeer's conformation with clean legs, deep chest and powerful hindquarters caught the eye of race trainer in 1937. Over the next four years, Nazeer was campaigned on the tracks of Egypt, finishing with a record of 20(4-6-1-4). (20 races where he finished 1st four times, 2nd six times, 3rd once and 4th four times). He retired sound from racing at the age of seven and returned to Kafr Farouk, ready to be used as a breeding stallion. He was sent to a stallion depot where he was used on the local mares. He would remain in obscurity until he was 15 years old when he was taken back to the EAO, where he had 57 sons and 43 daughters. Nazeer line-breeding was carried on to such an extent that very few straight Egyptian

Arabians today can be found that do not carry at least one line to Nazeer.

The Nazeer sire line is the largest line available in both Straight Egyptian and Sheikh Obeyd breeding with over 5000 stallions being born in the last 20 years. Nazeer get have been exported all over the world. Nazeer was close to 26 years of age when he died and left behind a legacy that few stallions can ever hope to achieve.

The other Bint Samiha daughter, **Shams** was born in 1938, a bay like her sire Maashan, a desert bred stallion. Shams produced 4 foals and three were Sheikh Obeyd. The bay stallion **IssamII** sired by Shahloul was foaled in 1943, he has no recorded offspring and it is unknown what became of him. The second Sheikh Obeyd foal for Shams, was the grey mare **Maysouna** sired by Kheir born in 1948 and born in 1955, was the beautiful bay mare, **Sherifa** sired by Gassir. The last Shams daughter, **Bint Shams** by El Sareei, Born in 1956 was imported by Gleanloch Farms in 1970.



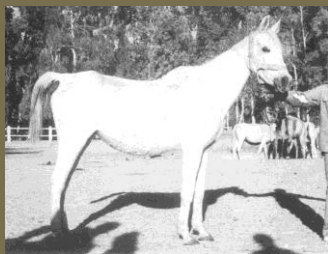
Maysouna
(Kheir x Shams)

Maysouna was an extremely beautiful and refined mare with tremendous classic type, which she passed of to her daughters. Maysouna had only one Sheikh Obeyd daughter, Bint Maysouna, who would come to the US as *Ansata Bint Misuna.

EAO Photo

***Ansata Bint Misuna 1957**
(Nazeer x Maysouna)

Imported by Ansata Arabian Stud. Dam of Naama in Egypt and Ansata Selene, her only Sheikh Obeyd foals. *Ansata Bint Misuna was a most beautiful mare.
She Was Simply Exquisite! Forbis Photo



Naama
(Anter x Bint Maysouna)

Naama was the dam of nine foals, two colts were Sheikh Obeyd, **Madian** and **Naga** both sired by *Tuhotmos. Madian has four Straight Egyptian sons that are pure in strain Hadban Enzahi, however, they were not Sheikh Obeyd.

Naama had no Sheikh Obeyd daughters.

There are no female descendants of Maysouna within Sheikh Obeyd breeding today.



Sherifa (Gassir x Shams)

The second daughter of Shams is the beautiful **Sherifa**. Sherifa was the dam of **Lamloum**, 1963 brown stallion by Alaa El Din, **Basima**, 1964 bay mare by Alaa El Din and **Kasid Kheir**, 1965 chestnut stallion also by Alaa El Din. Photos show her as a very nice mare with beautiful conformation. Sherifa's sons were not used at stud, however her daughter **Basima** was a fabulous mare.



Basima (Alaa El Din x Sherifa)

Basima 1964 Bay Mare, was an outstanding producer. All but two of her foals were Sheikh Obeyd. She was the dam of five Sheikh Obeyd mares and five Sheikh Obeyd stallions. Truly an outstanding record and impossible to beat. Four of her foals were exported to the US. Her son **Hafeed Anter** was a top sire at the EAO and others went to private breeders to make their contribution.

Basima was the dam of ten Sheikh Obeyd foals: **Souhad**, 1970 Bay mare by ***Tuhotmos**, ***Bassama** 1971 Chestnut mare by **Anter**, ***Saleema** 1972 Chestnut mare by **Anter**, **Hafeed Anter** 1975 Bay Stallion by **Wahag**, **Wanees**, 1976 Chestnut stallion by **Wahag**, **Ibn Bassima** 1976 Grey stallion by **Ibn Shahrzada**, **Nagham** 1978 Chestnut Mare by **Ibn Shahrzada**, **Ibn Basima (Naseeb)** 1979 Grey Stallion by **Wahag**, ***Bassami** 1983 Chestnut Stallion by **Ibn Shahrzada**, ***Ashwak** 1984 Chestnut Mare by **Ibn Shahrzada**.

This group of foals is very impressive, showing the outstanding qualities of the Hadban Enzahi strain. They were successful Show horses and were excellent producers, highly desired by breeders all over the world.

Shoud, 1970 Bay mare was retained by the EAO. She had two foals, neither Sheikh Obeyd. ***Bassama** 1971 Chestnut mare by **Anter**, was exported to Germany, where she was the dam of 14 foals, none were Sheikh Obeyd. **Wanees**, 1976 Chestnut stallion by **Wahag**, stayed in Egypt with a private breeder. He sired three foals, however none were Sheikh Obeyd. **Ibn Bassima** 1976 Grey stallion by **Ibn Shahrzada** sired no foals. **Nagham** 1978 Chestnut Mare by **Ibn Shahrzada** had one Sheikh Obeyd daughter, **Nehmedoh**, however she had no Sheikh Obeyd foals.

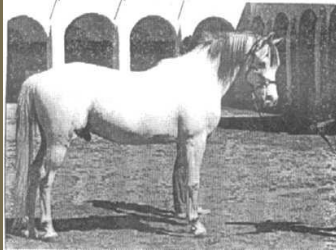


***Saleema**
(**Anter** x **Basima**)
Ford Photo

***Saleema** 1972 Chestnut mare by **Anter** was imported to the US by **Donald Ford**. She was a very successful show horse winning her Legion of Merit and produced six excellent foals however none were Sheikh Obeyd, that could have continued this absolutely beautiful and athletic family.

Hafeed Anter
(Waheag x Basima)
EAO Photo

Hafeed Anter 1975 Bay Stallion by Wahag, was a beautiful stallion retained for breeding by the EAO. He was very successful on the racetrack and sired some very beautiful and athletic foals. He is the sire of 95 foals, however none were Sheikh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi tail female.



Ibn Basima
(Wahag x Basima)

Ibn Basima (Naseeb) 1979 Grey Stallion by Wahag, sire of 11 foals, none were Sheikh Obeyd.

***Ashwak**
(Ibn Shahrzada x Basima)
Cherry Hill Photo

***Ashwak 1984** Chestnut Mare by Ibn Shahrzada, was imported to Canada by Cherry Hill Arabians where she lives today. She is a Pure-in-Strain Hadbah Enzahi, 1984 chestnut. She had one Sheikh Obeyd son that was gelded and is not in a Sheikh Obeyd breeding program. There is still hope that *Ashwak could be bred for a replacement filly.



***Bassama 1971** Chestnut mare was exported to Germany, where she was the dam of 14 foals, none were Sheikh Obeyd. However, this family is well known around the world for its fine quality and athletic horses. All *Bassamas' foals were Straight Egyptian and are available for breeders today.

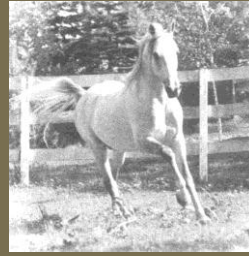
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***Bassama 1971**
(Anter x Basima)

***Bassami 1983** Chestnut Stallion by Ibn Shahrzada, was imported to the US and promptly gelded. He was the only Sheikh Obeyd Pure-in-Strain Hadban Enzahi stallion ever imported. I hesitate to think of the impact he could have had on Egyptian breeding. He was a full brother to *Ashwak.

In 2002 There are no females of the Basima line in Sheikh Obeyd production.



Gleanloch Photo
*Bint Shaams
(El Sareei x Shams)



Heck Photo
*Serenity Abu Simbel
(Ibn Maisa x *Bint Shaams)

The last daughter of Shams is *Bint Shaams a grey by El Sareei, Born in 1956, imported by Gleanloch Farms in 1970. She was the dam of six foals but only one *SerenityAbuSimbel, born in Egypt, was Sheykh Obeyd. He sired 21 foals but none where Sheykh Obeyd. There are no Sheykh Obeyd females left today descending from *Bint Shaams.

The Samiha branch of the Bint Hadba El Saghira family appears to be quit large, with almost 70 horses born after 1918, today there are only AK Rabiya, Glorieta Rabdania and Glorieta Dalima being bred for Sheykh Obeyd replacements. It is a shame to have lost all the wonderful horses to this preservation effort.

I hope I was able to show how one mare could create a dynasty and within a few short years lose that dynasty. Without the preservation of the Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi horses we lose a valuable part of the Egyptian Arabian Horse, without the Sheykh Obeyd Arabian horses, we would not have the Egyptian Arabians we have today !

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In 1949, General von Pettko-Szandtner was hired by the Egyptian government to manage the breeding operations at the Royal Agricultural Society. He went through the broodmares from the RAS. herd and chose 42 mares that he felt were the quality needed to preserve the horses Egypt that the RAS had become famous for producing. All Egyptian horses today, with the exception of those horse exported before 1949, will to some extent descend from these 42 mares The General is also responsible for returning the infamous Nazeer from obscurity. The second stallion the General retained was Mashhour, 1941 brown (Shahloul x Bint Rustem, by Rustem) was used at the beginning and again at the end of General von Pettko-Szandtner's tenure in Egypt for a total of just over ten foals.



Nazeer



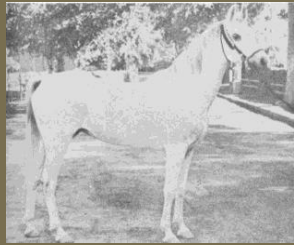
Mashhour

It is interesting to note that of the 42 mares 11 of them were Hadba Enzahi in strain. It is quite obvious that the mares of the Hadba Enzahi strain were of extraordinary quality as 25 percent is an incredible number for him to choose, nine of these mares were Sheykh Obeyd.

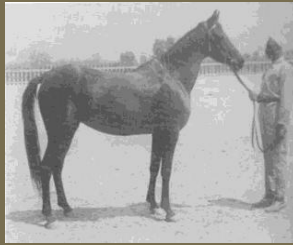
Sheykh Obeyd Hadba Enzahi Mares of the R.A.S. Retained by General von Pettko-Szandtner

Samha	1931 grey	Baiyad x Bint Samiha, by Kasmeyn
Kahila	1934 bay	Ibn Rabdan x Bint Rustem, by Rustem
Shams	1938 bay	Mashaan x Bint Samiha, by Kasmeyn
Salwa	1939 black	Ibn Rabdan x Bint Rustem, by Rustem
Kamla	1942 grey	Sheikh El Arab x Samha, by Baiyad
Yosreia	1943 grey	Sheikh El Arab x Hind, by Ibn Rabdan
Rouda	1944 bay	Sheikh El Arab x Fasiha, by Awad
Lateefa	1945 grey	Gamil III x Salwa, by Ibn Rabdan

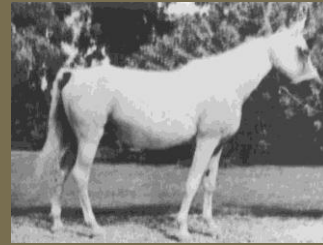
Maysouna 1948 brown Kheir x Shams, by Maashan



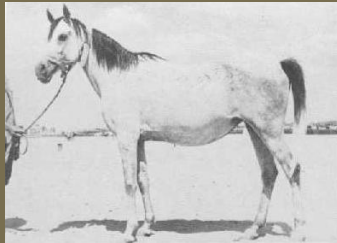
Samha



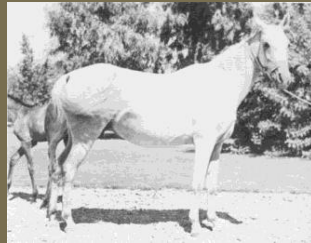
Salwa



Kamla



Yosreia



Lateefa



Maysouna

The Legacy of Bint Rustem

Part two of this legacy begins with the second daughter of Bint Hadba El Saghira, **Bint Rustem** by Rustem foaled in 1922. She was bay and of extreme beauty showing tremendous scope and refinement. She had a very long neck, an excellent shoulder, great withers and very good legs. Her head was dry with large expressive eyes. Her quality would be passed to her foals and would be seen far in the future in her descendants.

The Bint Rustem Family



Bint Rustem 1922

(Rustem x Bint Hadba El Saghira)

Bint Rustem was bay and of extreme beauty showing tremendous scope and refinement. She had a very long neck, an excellent shoulder, great withers and very good legs. Her head was dry with large expressive eyes. Many of her foals were **Sheykh Obeyd**, **Rassim 1928** Chestnut Stallion by **Kazmeen**, **Hind 1929** Bay mare by **Ibn Rabdan**, and ten years later, the mare **Salwa** in 1939 also by **Ibn Rabdan**. **Mawal 1931** Bay Stallion by **Mabrouk Blunt**, **Ibn Bint Rustem 1933** Grey Stallion by **Mansour**, **Kahila 1929** Bay Mare by **Ibn Rabdan**. **Bint Rustem** also produced a stallion by **Nabras**,* **El Akhrani 1937** Black Stallion, imported to the US by **Queen Nazli** of Egypt in 1950. However, he did not produce any **Sheykh Obeyd** foals. In 1941 **Mashhour** was born, a Bay Stallion by **Shahloul**.

Rassim, **Mawal** and **Ibn Bint Rustem** did not sire any foals. **El Akhrani** sired four foals none where **Sheykh Obeyd**. **Kahila** was the dam of six foal three **Sheykh Obeyd**, however none were bred. There is nothing today from descending from **Kahila**.

Today we have descendants from **Hind**, **Salwa** and **Mashhour**.

Mashhour
(Shahloul x Bint Rustem)



Mashhour was a beautiful mahogany bay stallion. A beauty with considerable scope and substance. Sire of many fantastic foals such as ***Ghazallahh**. There are no **Sheykh Obeyd** Hadban Enzahi horses to **Mashhour**. His only **Sheykh Obeyd** daughter failed to produce after she was imported to the USA.



RAS Photo
Hind 1929
(Ibn Rabdan x Bint Rustem)



RAS Photo
Salwa 1939
(Ibn Rabdan x Bint Rustem)

Hind 1929 was a dark brown mare by **Ibn Rabdan**, Pure-in Strain Hadbah Enzahi. This photo of her shows her to be more like her grandfather, **Kazmeen**, in type than that of her mother. **Hind** was the dam of 12 foals and eight were **Sheykh Obeyd**. **Bakreia 1935** Grey Mare by **Mansour**, **Fasiha 1937** Bay Mare by **Awad**, **Ragi 1938** Bay Stallion by **Maashan**, **Mandour 1940** Bay Stallion by **Kheir**, **Khattab 1941** Chestnut Stallion by **Ghandour**, **Yosreia 1943** Grey Mare by **Sheikh El Arab**. **Farid 1944** Bay by **Kheir**, **Mozzafar 1945** Bay Stallion by **Balance** and **Fayyad 1947** Bay Stallion by **Balance**.

Bakreia, **Ragi**, **Mandour**, **Khattab**, **Farid** and **Fayyad** did not have any foals and **Mozzafar** had one **Sheykh Obeyd** foal, ***Ibn Wanis**, however he did not sire any foals. The line continues with the mares **Fashia 1937** and **Yosreia 1943**.

Mozzafar 1945
(Balance x Bint Rustem)

Winning Racehorse and sire of five foals Only one was Sheykh Obeyd, there is nothing available to Sheykh Obeyd breeders from this stallion. Balance was a champion in racing. to this day, he holds the track record in Egypt for the mile.



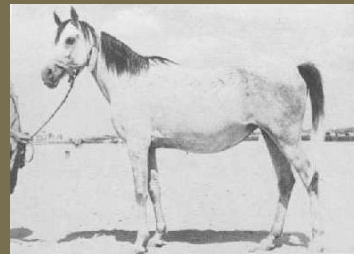
Fasiha 1937
(Awad x Hind)

Fasiha 1937 Bay Mare sired by Awad, She is one of only a few Awad daughters. She was a great beauty with extreme scope and elegant type. Fasiha had four Sheykh Obeyd foals. **Faseih 1941** Bay Mare by Kheir, **Wadida 1943** Chestnut Mare by Sheikh El Arab, **Rouda(Roda) 1944** Bay Mare by Sheikh El Arab and **Farkud 1946** Grey Stallion by Kheir.

Today, Rouda has a very large family in Europe and in the USA, however no Sheykh Obeyd bred horses exist.

Yosreia 1943 was sired by the renowned broodmare sire Sheikh El Arab and was the dam of six Sheykh Obeyd foals. **Yasir 1953** Chestnut stallion by Nazeer, **Yazid 1954** Chestnut stallion by Nazeer, **Shahrzada 1955** Grey mare by Nazeer, **Mogha 1956** Black mare by El Sareei, **Shamshoon 1957** Brown stallion by Nazeer, **Raafat (Aswan) 1959** Grey Stallion by Nazeer and **Bint Yosreia 1959** Grey mare by Nazeer.

Aswan would go on to Russia and become an important sire and her daughters would become highly regarded producers of very high quality foals.



EAO Photo
Yosreia 1943
(Sheikh El Arab x Hind)

Shahrzada 1955 Grey mare sired by Nazeer, once again blending the Samiha and Bint Rustem lines, must have been of extreme quality when one considers the quality of her offspring. She was the dam of ***Dawlat 1961** Chestnut mare by Anter imported to the US by Gleanloch Farms, **Ibn Shahrzada 1964** Chestnut stallion by Anter, **Bint El Nil 1963** Chestnut mare by Anter. ***Serenity Shakra 1966** Grey mare by Anter imported by Serenity Farms, Canada.

Ibn Shahrzada was bred to many of the EAO mares. His get have been exported all over the world, from the beautiful ***Gannat** to the fabulous ***Ashwak** another Sheykh Obeyd Pure in Strain Hadbah Enzahi.



Bentwood Photo
***Dawlat**
 (Anter x Shahrzada)

***Dawlat** was imported to the USA by the Marshall's of Gleanloch Farms in 1965 She was the dam of 19 foals but was never bred to a Sheykh Obeyd Stallion. Her foals were of excellent quality with extreme athletic abilities along with great beauty.

Her sons and daughters are well regarded within Egyptian Arabian breeding and sought after by breeders wanting to add extreme athletic ability to their programs. Stallions at stud, Champion racehorse, Halter winners and broodmares who would excel as did their mother.

Very late in her life she went to a Sheykh Obeyd Breeder who did everything possible to get her in foal to a Sheykh Obeyd Stallion. The effort came too late for ***Dawlat**. She would live to be in her late 20's and would leave behind a tremendous legacy.

There are no Sheykh Obeyd Horses tracing from ***Dawlat**.



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***Serenity Shahra 1966**
 (Anter x Shahrzada)

***Serenity Shahra 1966** Grey mare was imported by Serenity Farms of Canada. She was the dam of two Sheykh Obeyd foals. Serenity Lateeva Grey mare by SF Ibn Nazeer. **Serenity Lateeva** died without Sheykh Obeyd replacement and the stallion **SF Ben Ibn Nazeer** who left a Sheykh Obeyd son **Serenity Mamlouk** who is a very important stallion within Sheykh Obeyd, he is one of the only Sheykh Obeyd Kuhaylan Rodan stallion left in the world. Judi Parks tried very hard to get a replacement a foal out of Shahra but the effort came too late in her life to save this line for future Sheykh Obeyd breeders.

There are no Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi horses from ***Serenity Shahra !**



EAO Photos
 Bint El Nil
 (Antar x Shahrzada)

The last mare of this line is **Bint El Nil** She was a full sister to ***Dawlat** and ***Serenity Shahra**. She was bred to ***Tuhotmos** and produced the stallion **Kasr El Nile 1971** Bay Stallion by ***Tuhotmos**, who was exported to Germany and ***Masarra 1972** Chestnut mare by ***Tuhotmos** who was imported to USA in 1973 . Her only other Sheykh Obeyd foal was **Damas 1974** Grey

Stallion by Waseem who was also exported to Germany.



Damas
(Waseem x Bint El Nil)



Kasr El Nil
(*Tuhotmos x Bint El Nil)

The German breeders understood the value of Hadban Enzahi stallion.
The impact that these two stallions along with Hadban Enzahi, would be tremendous.

The full sisters, *Dawlat, *Serenity Shahra and Bint El Nil each produced well within Egyptian Breeding, however, only the Bint El Nil daughter *Masarra would be continued within Sheykh Obeyd. From Breeding stallions to show horses *Masarra would prove her worth producing some of the best Egyptian horses in the country. But only one would carry on in Sheykh Obeyd breeding. This thread is a fine silken thread, almost lost to the slaughter house but for a few courageous people. Today it is carried on by the inbred Bint Masarra!

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Lowe Photos
*Masarra
(*Tuhotmos x Bint El Nil)

Rick and Ann Heber imported *Masarra, 1972 Chestnut mare by *Tuhotmos, to the USA as a yearling. She was owned for many years by Lowe Arabians, where she produced outstanding and beautiful foals.

A story is told where, *Masarra met her father over the fence and produced her only Sheykh Obeyd foal, Bint Masarra. This one beautiful little mare would create a empire of her own where she would reign supreme...



Nelson Photo



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Bint Masarra
(*Tuhotmos x *Masarra)

Bint Masarra was destined, like so many other Sheykh Obeyd Arabian mares, to be absorbed into the general population of Egyptian Arabian horses. While owned by Bentwood Farms, she was bred to Ansata El Sherif for her first foal. AK Shesarra. In 1986, after the Arabian market fell, both Bint Masarra and AK Shesarra were on their way to the slaughter house. The truck broke down and was late in arriving to the farm for yet another load of Straight Egyptian Arabian horses. One man placed a very important phone call to Bentwood Farms. He offered a lot of cash for both mares sight unseen. He was told he could have them but they did not know where the registration papers were and if they ever found them, he could have them. He sent the check. He took a chance on these two priceless mares and won. That man was responsible for saving this line from extinction. That man is Jay Gormley. He is responsible for saving many Sheykh Obeyd lines from slaughter and breeding them within Sheykh Obeyd lines for the future of all Arabian breeders. We owe you a great debt Jay, thank you!



Nelson Photos
AK Shesarra
(Ansata El Sherif x Bint Masarra)

AK Shesarra 1985 Grey mare by Ansata El Sherif. The cross between Bint Masarra and Sherif was a good one. AK Shesarra is about 15 hands tall with fine bone and an exquisite head. She is a very correct mare with a powerful rear end. It appears that the combination of Moniet El Nefous and Bukra gave us the best of both. These things show in her daughters as well. AK Shesarra is a breeders dream mare. Her first foal was **JA Hadba Halima** by Raadin Inshalla, **JA Hadba El Saghira** by Hallanny Mistanny, **SRF Sherilee** by Jubalie Halima, **SRF Shezada Moniet** by Rasmoniet RSI, **REA Bint Shesarra** by Apple Hillel Nisir. 2001 Filly by died before registration. That's six fillies in a row, she has never produced a colt. AK Shesarra is currently in foal and will be bred to Meadow Mahonri for her first Pure in Strain Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi foal!



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SRF Shezada Moniet
(Rasmoniet RSI x AK
Shesarra)

JA Hadba El Saghira
(Hallanny Mistanny x AK
Shesarra)

REA Bint Shesarra
(Apple HillEl Nisr x AK
Shesarra)

SRF Sherilee
(Jubalie Halima x AK
Shesarra)

These four beautiful mares are in Straight Egyptian Hadban Enzahi Arabian Horses breeding programs. They will produce Pure In Strain Hadban Enzahi foals for the next generation of Arabian horse breeders. We are very fortunate that the different owners of AK Shesarra saw to it that she was bred within in Sheykh Obeyd. We have a wide verity of sirelines to continue this one of a kind line. The future is indeed bright for these Hadba mares, they will be bred for Pure in Strain foals. JA Hadba El Saghira will be bred to Hadban El Sareei, REA Bint Shesarra will be bred to MahrDALIM El Nisr, SRF Shezada Moniet will be bred to Meadow Mahonri, SRF Sherilee will be bred to Ben Ibn Inshalla.



Fippen Photo
Shallimar Bedu
(Raadin Inshalla x Bint Masarra)

Bint Masarra was sold to the Col. and Mrs. Fippen where she was owned and loved for many years and bred to several different stallions.

Her second Sheykh Obeyd foal was Shallimar Bedu sired by Raadin Inshalla. She is a lovely mare and still is owned by the Fippen family. She has produced four foals, Abbas Aliya by Ibn Lothar, Ben Ibn Inshalla by Inshalla Imhotep, Venus Inzahiyah also by Ibn Lothar and a 2002 filly by Mahdalique.



Johnson Photo
Venus Inzahiyah
(Ibn Lothar x Shallimar Bedu)



Fippen Photo
Abbas Aliya
(Ibn Lothar x Shallimar Bedu)



Echo Hill Photo
Ben Ibn Inshalla
(Raadin Inshalla x Shallimar Bedu)

Venus Inzahiyah is in a Hadban Enzahi preservation breeding program and will be bred to Hadban El Sareei and Meadow Mahonri for Pure in Strain Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi foals. Ben Ibn Inshalla is also in a Sheykh Obeyd breeding home and hopefully will be bred to a Hadba mare to preserve his rare and priceless heritage.



Fippen Photo
Shahrzada
(Ibn Lothar x Bint Masarra)

Bint Masarra's third and last Sheykh Obeyd filly is **Shahrzada 1990** a bay mare by Ibn Lothar. Shahrzada is an exquisite mare. She is one of the most beautiful Sheykh Obeyd mares I have ever seen. Her conformation is almost perfect. She is an elegant mare showing extreme grace when she moves, she is totally captivating. The cross between Bint Masarra and Ibn Lothar was a golden cross. I had the privilege of seeing her when she was 5 years old. She was one of the most incredible mares I had ever seen, and to this day have seen none better than Shahrzada! It would be a great contribution to Sheykh Obeyd breeding and to the Straight Egyptian world if she were to be bred to a Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi stallion for a true replacement.

Shahrzada is the dam of two Sheykh Obeyd foals Sharjah Bedu and Aswan USA both by Inshalla Imhotep.



Bint Masarra with WK Halim El Hadban
Rogosky Photo



Bint Masarra with Shallimar Bedu
Fippen Photo

Bint Masarra is also the dam of several Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi stallions. **Rabdan USA** by Ibn Lothar, **Hadban El Sareei** by Inshalla Imhotep, **Tuhotmos Halim** by Inshalla Imhotep and **WK Halim El Hadban** by Apple Hillel Nisr.



Fippen Photo
Ibn Rabdan USA
(Ibn Lothar x Bint Masarra)

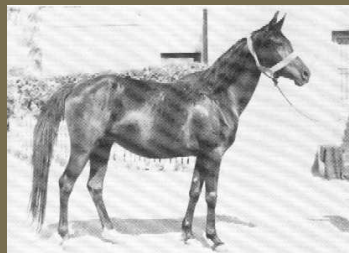


Fippen Photo
Hadban El Sareei
(Inshalla Imotep x Bint Masarra)



Rogosky Photo
WK Halim El Hadban
(Apple Hillel Nisr x Bint Masarra)

The family that Bint Masarra has produced is one of quality and great breeding potential. It is the second largest family within Sheykh Obeyd thanks to Jay Gormley for saving them and Mr. and Mrs. Fippen for wanting to continue this rare and endangered line. To the best of my knowledge, all of Bint Masarra's foals are in Sheykh Obeyd breeding homes except Tuhotmos Halim who is now a happy gelding.



EAO Photo
Mogha
(El Sareei x Yosreia)



The legacy of Yoseria continues, with the her next daughter **Mogha**. She was sired by the elegant El Sareei and said by many to be the best mare of Egypt. She was born in 1956. Mogha was a very elegant black mare with a beautiful head and produced a few world-renowned horses. Ibn Galal who went to Europe, "El Mokhtar the famous black stallion of the movie "The Black Stallion Returns" and "Nahlah a US Reserve National Champion mare. She produced nine foals for the EAO but only one was Sheykh Obeyd. Mogha was bred to the Sheykh Obeyd stallion Alaa El Din and produced a son **Mehyar** who went to Germany in 1971 as a yearling. He was a bay and produced only one Straight Egyptian before his death. Mehyar was injured during breeding and died shortly there after. A tragic loss for the breeding community. His daughter was imported to Canada where his blood is still available within Straight Egyptian lines.

However, there is nothing available today from the lovely mare **Mogha** for breeding within Sheykh Obeyd.



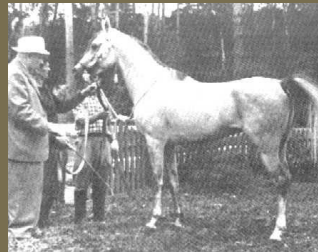
RAS Photo
Raafat (Aswan)
(Nazeer x Yosreia)



The last son of Yosreia is possibly her most famous. Raafat was gifted to the Russian Government in thanks for help on the dam built at Aswan. He went to Russia where his name was changed to Aswan. He would be used in the breeding program at the state stud. Many of his offspring were imported to the USA where they made history in the show ring. Many Russian breeders in the United States are concentrating the blood of Aswan in pedigrees of the Russian horses and are getting exquisite type and movement. Aswan was not bred to any Sheikh Obeyd mares and is not available for breeding within Sheikh Obeyd guidelines.



AlBadia Photo
Bint Yosreia
(Nazeer x Yosreia)



EAO Photo
Bint Yosreia
(Nazeer x Yosreia)

Bint Yosreia 1959 Grey mare by Nazeer, was another pure in strain Hadba Enzahi, a full sister to Aswan. She was sold to the Hamsa family in 1963 where she produced several Straight Egyptian foals for racing. She had one son by the Sheikh Obeyd stallion Ibn Shahrzada, the stallion Yousof has no recorded foals Sheikh Obeyd or otherwise. She then went to AlBadia Stud where she produced **Yosr 1969** by Ibn Fakhri.

Yosr was bred to the Sheikh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi stallion Ashour, this breeding produced the stallion Sadek 1987. **Yosr** produced many Straight Egyptian foals but the line stops here for Sheikh Obeyd breeders, there is nothing today from Bint Yosreias' only Sheikh Obeyd daughter!

There are no Sheikh Obeyd horses descending from **Mogha, Aswan or Bint Yosreia** today!



RAS Photo
Salwa 1939
(Ibn Rabdan x Bint Rustem)

The next daughter of Bint Rustem is **Salwa** .

Salwa was born in 1939, also sired by Ibn Rabdan for another Pure in Strain Hadba Enzahi. She had two full sisters, Hind and Kahila. Salwa was a black mare and appears to be quite tall. Her neck was not as long as that of her dam but she passed the quality of her strain and the quality of her dam on to her foals. Salwa is the source of the illusive and sought after black color in many Straight Egyptian lines. She was the dam of ten foals, four of which were Sheikh Obeyd, but only one would leave a legacy to Sheikh Obeyd breeders. The Beautiful Lateefa...

Lateefa, 1945 Grey mare, was sired by Gamil III and is one of the few Gamil III



daughters ever bred and the only Gamil III daughter to breed on within Sheykh Obeyd. Dam of **Adya** in Egypt, **SF Ibn Nazeer** Imported to Canada, **Mahbouba** in Egypt, ***Lamia** imported to the USA by Gleanloch Farms, **Haseeba** imported to Germany and **Wady El Nil**, A stallion exported to the King of Morocco.

***Lamia 1958** was a grey mare who had four foals in Egypt, none were Sheykh Obeyd, and did not produce after she was imported to the USA. She came to this country in 1970 as a 12 year old and died in 1973. **Haseeba** was a Pure in Strain Hadba Enzahi sired by Mashhour, she had 4 foals but none were Sheykh Obeyd. **Lateefa** was a quality mare very much like her sire. She shows the beautiful influence of the Gamil Manial and Bint Yamama cross. Her offspring have made an beautiful and elegant impact on Straight Egyptian breeding programs all around the world.

RAS Photo
Lateefa 1945
(Gamil III x Salwa)



Heck Photo
SF Ibn Nazeer
(Nazeer x Lateefa)

EAO Photo
Ayda
(Nazeer x Lateefa)

The full brother and sister team of **Ayda** and ***SF Ibn Nazeer** is another outstanding example of Pure in Strain Hadban Enzahi breeding. Both horses are classic in type and of extreme quality and great beauty. **Ayda** became known in Egypt as a supreme broodmare of world renowned foals that were exported to many different countries, and ***SF Ibn Nazeer**, known as **Lateef** in Egypt, was 2 times a National Champion Dancing Horse of Egypt and a successful race horse before being imported in 1973 at 19 years of age to Serenity Farms, Ontario, Canada. You can only but look at his photo and see the perfect conformation and his beautiful grace.

***SF Ibn Nazeer** was the sire of four Sheykh Obeyd sons and one daughter, **SF Benibn Nazeer**, **Serenity Lateeva**, **Talo Ibn Nazeer**, **SF Ibn Lateef**, **SF Amil Ibn Nazeer**. **Serenity Lateeva** was Pure in Strain Hadba Enzahi and died before she could leave a Sheykh Obeyd replacement. The other sons were not Hadbans but did breed on, and two within Sheykh Obeyd. **SF Amil Ibn Nazeer** has one son, **REA Amir Zarife**. **SF Benibn Nazeer** also has one son, **Serenity Mamlouk**.

Adya was the dam of three Sheykh Obeyd foals, all stallions, **Ashour**, **Wadi** and **Khatem**.

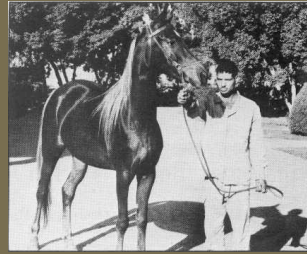


Ashour (Anter x **Adya**) was known as a "Fiery" stallion, he was as animated as he was beautiful. He was one of the best Anter sons bred in Egypt and crossed well with many different lines, siring more than 60 foals. While he would breed on within Straight Egyptian lines, he would leave only one Sheykh Obeyd, a Pure in Strain son, **Sadik**, who was out of **Yosr**. **Sadik** did not sire any Sheykh Obeyd foals.

The line from **Lateefa** to **Ayda** then to **Ashour** is lost to Sheykh Breeders now.



EAO Photo
Mahboubia 1963
(Anter x Lateefa)



EAO Photo
Mahboubia 1963
(Anter x Lateefa)

Mahboubia 1963 was a very tall elegant chestnut mare with a flaxen mane and tail. She was sired by Anter and shows his intense coloring. She was the dam of four foals, two of which were sired by Sheikh Obeyd stallions. Both her Sheikh Obeyd foals were exported to other countries. **Sawglanto** Germany and ***AK Jaheena** to the USA.



Kauber Platte Photo
Sawlagan 1968
(Alaa El Din x Mahboubia)



Sawlagan was a refined chestnut stallion, looking very much like his dam. He was imported to Germany where he was the head sire at Kauber Platte Arabian Stud. He left no Sheikh Obeyd foals.



***AK Jaheena 1974**
As a young mare at Bentwood and at age 28 years
(Waseem x Mahboubia)

***AK Jaheena** is the last mare of this line. She was bred by the EAO and imported to the USA by Bentwood Farms. She is a beautiful mare. Her head is dry with big black eyes and ears that are close together. Standing 15.2 hands tall with a long high set neck. She is powerhouse mover with a Park trot barefoot. She has a beautiful sloping shoulder, and free moving front legs that are fine and solid. Big flat knees and at 28 years of age still as sound as ever.

She was bred to many different stallions and it was not until the fall of Bentwood that she would get her chance to replace herself within Sheikh Obeyd breeding. She was purchased and sent to Utah where she was bred to three different Sheikh Obeyd stallions. Her first Sheikh Obeyd foal was Meadow Mahonri sired by the black beauty Kamars Sharif, her next foal would be Meadow Mansour sired by Ra'adin Inshalla, and last but not least is Hadban Al Nazhi sired by Glorieta Gazaal.

***AK Jaheena** had her last foal at age 25, Hadban Al Nazhi. She is no longer cycling so getting a replacement filly is not possible. When ***AK Jaheena** goes to greener pastures, her line will be lost in tail female. The only source will be through her sons. Meadow Mahonri and Hadban Al Nazhi are in a Sheikh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi breeding program and it is unfortunate that Meadow Mansour was gelded by his new and unknowing owners. This rare, precious and highly treasured line will be gone.



Johnson Photo
Meadow Mahonri
(Kamars Sharif x *AK
Jaheena)

Meadow Mahonri is a rare jewel in the Hadban Enzahi crown as he is the only Black, Sheykh Obeyd, Hadban Enzahi Stallion in the world.

Mahonri is very elegant and refined while standing 15.2 hands tall barefoot. A TALL horse but Mahonri is not a BIG horse. He has very dense porcelain like bone covered with skin and hair that are fine and delicate. He has exquisite type, a beautiful, strikingly dramatic, exotic head with large eye set low in his head. He carries his long neck very high and the attachment to his long sloping shoulder is almost perfect. He has long beautiful legs and possess the extreme dressage action of his Dam, *AK Jaheena with a long stride and a ground covering trot. Mahonri is highly prized as one of the worlds most classic and magical horses available today. His black coat is shimmering with the deep and lustrous iridescence of a tropical night. He is loving and sweet natured with a disposition that makes him easy to handle and a joy to ride. His captivating beauty and elegance will capture your heart as it did mine.

Hadban Al Nazhi is also a rare Jewel, he is the only Straight Egyptian, Sheykh Obeyd, Pure in Strain Hadban Enzahi stallion in the world.

He is very much like his sire Glorieta Gazaal. He has exquisite type, a beautiful head with large dark luminous eyes set low and his tiny little ears are always up and inquisitive. With a very short strong back, a beautifully powerful rearend and great legs which gives him the same dressage type of movement that must have been acquired from his dam. One day he too will make his mark in the Sheykh Obeyd world.



Nelson Photo
Hadban Al Nazhi
(Glorieta Gazaal x *AK
Jaheena)

The line from Lateefa was a fine one at best. The failure of breeders to see the importance of preserving her within Sheykh Obeyd is nothing short of tragic. It is my hope that breeders of the future are able to recognize the value of such horses and make sure they have replacements before they breed to horses that are not within the group.

Over 200 Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi horses have been born since Venus was brought from the desert to Egypt. If they each had been bred for replacement we would have over 3500 horses to work with. Yet today, we have only 34 that are Sheykh Obeyd Hadban Enzahi horses. Of these only 20 are being bred for true Hadban Enzahi replacements.

If we needed them in the past to produce what we have now,
what makes us think we will not need them in the future?

To read more about the Hadban group, ["Venus Rising!"](#) is an update on the horses from 2000 to 2007.