



*Iron Maidens Thoroughbreds
Out Of Bounds Pedigree Profile
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OUT OF BOUNDS (Discreet Cat - Unbridled Elaine, by Unbridled's Song) flashed a professional performance in the Sham Stakes (G-2) on Saturday, January 7, 2012. The newly turned three year old rated comfortably just behind the pace setters for jockey Garret Gomez, tipped out around the final turn and glided past the favorite Secret Circle and pacesetter Longview Drive in the final yards to win by ½ a length. The Eoin Harty trained colt has recorded two wins from three starts. His victory in the one mile Sham Stakes has placed Out Of Bounds on most Derby Watch Lists. His pedigree, conformation and running style all play a part in determining how far Out Of Bounds can

go in top company. Let's take a look at these factors.

On the racetrack Out Of Bounds' sire Discreet Cat was nothing short of brilliant in winning his first six starts. Discreet Cat wowed them at Saratoga in his debut, putting away a field of maidens that included eventual Grade 1 stakes winners Political Force and Thorn Song. Whisked away to Dubai for the first half of his three year old season, the Godolphin-owned colt posted his best win in the Gr. 2 UAE Derby at about 1 1/8 miles. Discreet Cat returned to the US in the fall and proved his class with a 10 ¼ length victory in the Jerome Handicap (G-1) and followed up with a 3 ½ length score in the Cigar Mile (G-1), equaling Easy Goer's track record of 1:32.46. However, the following March, Discreet Cat was handed his first defeat, a stunning last place finish in the Dubai World Cup. The colt was diagnosed with a severe throat infection after the race. Discreet Cat returned to Belmont in the fall of his four year old season, but finished third in his last two starts, the Vosburgh Stakes (G-1) and the Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile.



Discreet Cat, a son of Forestry, is an above average first crop sire. He's currently #15 on the National Sire list in terms of money won by his progeny, but the Darley owned stallion is the third leading sire of winners, represented by 20 winners from 51 starters. Out Of Bounds is his first stakes winner. Although the jury is still out on how far Discreet Cat's offspring will want to run, most should handle 1 1/16 miles without difficulty and a few should do well at 1 1/8 miles if there is stamina on the individual's distaff side. It is doubtful that Discreet Cat will produce too many winners at Classic distances; however, one or two of his progeny might get lucky.

Discreet Cat stands at Darley, one of the top stud farms in Kentucky and they have a top class broodmare band. Discreet Cat's first crop includes 87 foals out of top stakes winning or producing broodmares. Out Of Bounds' dam Unbridled Elaine is one such mare. The pretty gray mare won in her second start in the fall of her two year old season. She followed that up with a victory in the Pocahontas Stakes. At three, Unbridled Elaine was in the money in all except two of her starts, finishing fourth in the Acorn and Spinster, both Grade 1

events. She pulled an upset win in the 2001 Breeders' Cup Distaff, beating the Champion Mare Spain by a head.

In the breeding shed, Unbridled Elaine bore six foals of racing age, two of which are stakes winning colts. Out Of Bounds three-quarter brother Etched (by Forestry) won the Nashua Stakes (G-2) in only his second start. Later in his career, Etched was victorious in the Meadowlands Cup and Monmouth Cup, both 1 1/8 mile G-2 events. Out Of Bounds' immediate distaff family is quite classy. His second dam Carol's Folly was a listed stakes winner. Besides Unbridled Elaine, she produced the multiple graded stakes winning miler Glitterwoman, who stretched her speed to 1 1/8 miles beating a sub-par field in the Sixty Sails (G-3). Like her half-sister Unbridled Elaine, Glitterwoman has also been successful in the breeding shed, as she is the dam of Suburban Handicap (G-1) hero Political Force. Gwenjinsky, An unraced half-sister, produced the multiple G-2 stakes winning mare Lead Story and the listed winners Capejinsky and Prize Catch, as well as the stakes placed Glory Glory.



Out Of Bounds' damsire Unbridled's Song is the broodmare sire of 16 stakes winners, three of whom are winners at 1 1/14 miles; however, these victories came over turf and Polytrack. The dirt offspring of Unbridled's Song's daughters are best as sprinter/milers, but they have produced three stakes winners at 1 1/8 miles, one of which is Out Of Bounds' three-quarter brother Etched.

Discreet Cat has sired six offspring from Unbridled's Song mares. Currently, only two have started. Discreet Cat's sire Forestry has had some success with the Unbridled sire line, although his offspring from Unbridled's Song mares appear to be fragile as a disproportionately high number haven't made it to the track. Out of 31 foals, only 18 (58%) have faced the starter, but 13 of those have won and one is a graded stakes winner. Last year's Preakness winner Shackleford is the product of a Forestry mating to an Unbridled mare.



Out Of Bounds looks remarkably like his sire. He appears to be a large-bodied colt with a powerful neck and chest tied into a deep, strong shoulder. His hindquarters also appear muscular, but not overly so. Out Of Bounds has a smooth gate with average reach. Notably in the stretch of the Sham Stakes, Out Of Bounds kept a straight course with no drifting or lugging in or out, indicating the colt's maturity. We don't know exactly how far the progeny of Discreet Cat will stretch their speed and still be competitive at the top level. Out Of Bounds should handle 1 1/8 miles without difficulty, but his pedigree is borderline for the classic distances.

However, the colt's training, gait, conformation, mental and physical maturity are additional factors in determining if Out Of Bounds can navigate a distance of ground. So far, all of these factors appear to be favorable and Out Of Bounds is one to keep on your Derby List.

