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**STALLION SYNOPSIS:
KING ZACHARY**

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KING ZACHARY

Ch. 2015 by Curlin – On My Way by Giant's Causeway

“A graded stakes winner who broke a 91-year-old track-record, King Zachary is by Curlin, two-time Horse of the Year, outstanding sire, and now a sire of sires, already represented by seven stakes siring sons, three with first crop grade one winners. He is out of mare by three-time Leading Sire, Giant's Causeway – also broodmare sire of Gun Runner – from a champion producing family.”

King Zachary is bred on the very successful Curlin/Storm Cat cross, which has produced more than 20 stakes winners. Here, Storm Cat will be in the fourth generation of the pedigree on the sire's side, allowing the possibility of crossing back over Storm Cat line mares. We can note that Curlin line grade one winner Grace Adler is out of a mare by Storm Cat son, **Newfoundland** and grade one winner Rattle N Roll out of a mare by **Johannesburg** (sire of **Scat Daddy**, and a son of **Hennessy**, also sire of **Henny Hughes** – himself broodmare sire of a graded winner by a son of Curlin – and **Cactus Ridge**). On this cross there are also black-type winners out of mares by **Tale of the Cat** (sire of **Tale of Ekati** and **Lion Heart**; grandsire of **Kantharos** and **Uncaptured**), **Forestry** (sire of **Discreet Cat** and **Shackleford**), **Stormy Atlantic**, **Stormin Fever**, **Tactical Cat**, **Lion Hearted** and **Forest Wildcat** (sire of **Wildcat Heir** and **D'Wildcat**). Daughters of **Bernstein**, **Bluegrass Cat**, **Cat Thief**, **Freud** (brother to Giant's Causeway), **Harlan** (sire of **Harlan's Holiday** and **Menifee**; grandsire of **Into Mischief**, **Majesticperfection** and **Shanghai Bobby**), **Pure Prize** and **Yankee Gentleman** are among other Storm Cat sources that could be considered. Any Storm Cat line stallions out of Mr. Prospector line mares, or mares bred on a Storm Cat/Mr. Prospector cross will echo the pedigree of King Zachary's dam, which should work well.

Smart Strike, the sire of Curlin, had a tremendous success rate with mares from the **Danzig** branch of Northern Dancer. Curlin has followed that trend, with such as Champion Good Magic, out of a mare by **Hard Spun**, and 2023 Kentucky Derby winner Mage, out of a mare by **Big Brown** (by **Boundary**). There is a quartet of stakes winners out of daughters of **Polish Numbers**; Grade one winner Known Agenda is out of a mare by **Byron** (from the **Danehill** branch), and there are stakes winners out of mares by **Foxhound**, **Pine Bluff** and **Ascot Knight**. This would also make it worth considering mares by **War Front** (sire of **The Factor**, **Summer Front**, **Declaration of War** and **Hit it a Bomb**), **Exchange Rate** (bred on a parallel cross to the dam of King Zachary), **Langfuhr**, **Belong to Me** and **Bellamy Road**.

There is a Curlin grade two winner out of a mare by **Dixieland Band** and another out of a mare by that horse's son, **Dixie Union** (sire of **Union Rags**). This line could also be sourced through **High Cotton**, **Hook and Ladder** and **Overanalyze**. Out of mares from the **Nureyev** branch of

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Northern Dancer, Curlin has a classic winner out of a mare by **Royal Anthem** and a stakes winner out of a mare by that horse's sire, **Theatrical**, and a graded stakes winner out of a mare by **Great Commotion**. This also suggests trying daughters of **Atticus**, **Fasliyev**, **Unusual Heat** and **Spinning World**. From the sire line of Nureyev's three-quarters brother, **Sadler's Wells**, there is a stakes winner out of a mare by **Medaglia d'Oro** – sire of Champion Golden Sixty from this family – and represented by **Violence** and **Warrior's Reward**. Medaglia d'Oro is by **El Prado**, also sire of **Kitten's Joy** and **Artie Schiller** (sire of **We Miss Artie**), and **Sadler's Wells** has also been represented in North America by **Magician** and **Capo Blanco** (both by **Galileo**), **Powerscourt** and **Horse Chestnut**.

Curlin is out of a **Deputy Minister** mare, and he and his sons have enjoyed exceptional success with inbreeding to that strain. Among likely sources are **Awesome Again** (sire of **Ghostzapper**, **Paynter**, **Oxbow**, **Daheer**, **Tocet**, **Awesome of Course** and **Awesome Patriot**), **Dehere** (whose son, **Graeme Hall**, is broodmare sire of Curlin grade one winner Curalina), **Silver Deputy** (sire of **Archers Bay**, **Badge of Silver**, **Spring at Last** and **Posse**, who looks particularly interesting here), **Touch Gold**, **Forest Camp** and **French Deputy**.

The cross of Curlin and sons with mares from the **A.P. Indy** line has produced nearly 30 stakes winners. There are ten stakes winners out of mares by A.P. Indy himself, including Champions Malathaat and Nest, and grade one winners Idol and Global Campaign, as well as eight stakes winners, including grade one winners Paris Lights and Clairiere, out of mares by that horse's son **Bernardini** (sire of **Stay Thirsty**, **To Honor and Serve**, **Wilburn** and **Marking**). Grade one winner Stellar Wind is out of a mare by **Malibu Moon**, and there is a grade two winner by Curlin out of a mare by **Flatter** (sire of **Upstart** and **Flat Out**). Grade one winner Cody's Wish is by Curlin out of a mare by **Tapit** (sire of **Constitution**, **Frosted**, **Tonalist**, **Concord Point**, **Tapizar**, **Tapiture**, **Hansen** and **Trappe Shot**). **Tapit** is by A.P. Indy son, **Pulpit** (also sire of **Corinthian** – broodmare sire of a Curlin line graded winner – **Sky Mesa**, **Stroll** and **Mr. Speaker**). Curlin graded winner Lord Miles is out of a mare by **Majestic Warrior**, a reverse cross to the granddam of King Zachary, and it could also be worth considering mares by **Congrats** (a brother to Flatter) and **Mineshaft** (sire of **Dialed In** and **Discreetly Mine**), **Jump Start** and **Stephen Got Even**.

A.P. Indy is by **Seattle Slew**, and Curlin also has classic winner Exaggerator and Champion Elite Power out of mares by Seattle Slew son, **Vindication**, and there is also a grade one winner out of a mare by **Boston Harbor** (by **Capote**). Curlin also has two graded stakes winners out of mares by **Yes It's True** (sire of **The Big Beast**), whose grandsire **Raja Baba** is from the same sire line and family as A.P. Indy.

Curlin already has two stakes winners, including grade one winner Collect, out of mares by **Holy Bull**, and he is sire of **Macho Uno** (broodmare sire of a Curlin grade one winner), **Flashy**

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Bull, Woke Up Dreamin and Giacomo. Curlin has a graded stakes winner out of a mare by **Indian Charlie**, a son of **In Excess**. In Excess is also sire of **Rocky Bar, Notional** and **Bring the Heat**, and Indian Charlie is sire of **Uncle Mo** (sire of **Nyquist, Laoban** and **Outwork**), **Adios Charlie, Bwana Charlie, Liaison** and **Cinco Charlie**.

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