

# Messier

Bay Colt; Mar 24, 2019

Messier	Empire Maker, 00 dk b/	Unbridled, 87 b	Fappiano, 77 b
Foaled in Ontario	Checked Past, 10 ch	Toussaud, 89 dk b/	Gana Facil, 81 ch
		Smart Strike, 92 b	El Gran Senor, 81 b
		Catch the Flag, 06 b	Image of Reality, 76 b
			Mr. Prospector, 70 b
			Classy 'n Smart, 81 b
			A.P. Indy, 89 dk b/
			Catch the Ring, 97 dk b/

**By EMPIRE MAKER** (2000). Classic winner of \$1,985,800, Belmont S. **[G1]** (BEL, \$600,000), etc. Among the leading sires in U.S., sire of 16 crops of racing age, 1664 foals, 1270 starters, 69 stakes winners, 3 champions, 832 winners of 2742 races and earning \$127,739,345 USA, including Royal Delta (Champion 3 times, \$4,811,126, TVG Alabama S. **[G1]** (SAR, \$300,000), etc.), It's So You (Champion in Saudi Arabia, \$169,794 USA, 2nd Prix Solitude [L]), La Poetisa (Champion in Chile, \$61,102 USA, Las Oaks **[G1]**, etc.), Federalist (\$2,172,941 USA, Nakayama Kinen **[G2]**, etc.), Smart Dandy (to 8, 2022, \$2,146,040 USA, Coral S. [L] twice, etc.), Pioneer of the Nile (\$1,634,200, CashCall Futurity **[G1]** (HOL, \$400,000), etc.), Grace Hall (\$1,546,360, Spinaway S. **[G1]** (SAR, \$150,000), etc.), Namura Arashi (to 9, 2022, \$1,511,101 USA, Nigawa S. [L], etc.).

## 1st dam

**CHECKERED PAST**, by Smart Strike. 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$334,284(USA), Trillium S. [L] (WO, \$72,000(CAN)) twice, 2nd Jammed Lovely S. -R (WO, \$30,000(CAN)), 3rd Belle Mahone S. (WO, \$13,200(CAN)), River Memories S. (WO, \$13,200(CAN)). Dam of 4 foals, 1 to race, 1 winner--

**MESSIER** (c. by Empire Maker). Black type winner, see below.

## 2nd dam

Catch the Flag, by A.P. Indy. Unraced. Sister to **CATCH THE THRILL** (\$290,167 (USA), Champion 2-year-old filly in Canada, Princess Elizabeth S. -R (WO, \$150,000(CAN)), etc.), half-sister to **Cognashene** (\$320,954 (USA), 3rd Singspiel S. **[G3]** (WO, \$19,800(CAN)), etc.), **Kitten's Boy** (\$122,413 (USA), 3rd Coronation Futurity -R (WO, \$22,500(CAN))), **Finn's Jewel** (\$157,477 (USA), 3rd Carotene S. -R (WO, \$15,000(CAN))). Dam of 5 winners--

**CHECKERED PAST** (f. by Smart Strike). Black type winner, see above.

Gotta Get Away (g. by Candy Ride (ARG)). 8 wins, 3 to 7, \$206,872(USA).

Dixie Whistler (g. by Dixie Union). 6 wins, 4 to 8, \$147,975(USA).

Strike the Flag (g. by Smart Strike). 3 wins at 4 and 5, \$147,145(USA).

Ferrari Kid (c. by Goldencents). Winner in 1 start at 2, 2022, \$25,200.

Catch a Ride (c. by Candy Ride (ARG)). Placed at 2, \$11,500.

## 3rd dam

**CATCH THE RING**, by Seeking the Gold. 7 wins at 3 and 4, \$918,314, Champion 3-year-old filly in Canada, Maple Leaf S. **[G3]**, Canadian Oaks -R (WO, \$300,000(CAN)), Bison City S. -R (FE, \$97,380(CAN)), Fury S. -R (WO, \$90,477(CAN)), 2nd Wonder Where S. -R (WO, \$50,000(CAN)), Belle Mahone S. [L] (WO, \$21,000(CAN)), 3rd Ontario Matron H. [L] (WO, \$20,281(CAN)), Seagram Cup S. [L] (WO, \$14,699(CAN)), etc. Sister to **SEEKING THE RING** (\$314,515, Labatt Bison City S. -R (FE, \$100,000(CAN)), etc.), **DIAMOND FEVER** (\$175,501, Stanton S. (DEL, \$35,550), etc.), half-sister to **Lucky Old Sun** (\$155,791, 2nd Cup and Saucer S. -R (WO, \$50,000(CAN)), etc.), **Earth Shadow** (\$68,269, 3rd Princess Elizabeth S. -R (WO, \$17,468(CAN))), **Bluegrass Sapphire** (\$100,276, 2nd Blushing K. D. H. (FG, \$15,000), etc.). Dam of 7 winners--

**CATCH THE THRILL** (f. by A.P. Indy). 3 wins at 2 and 4, \$290,167(USA), Champion 2-year-old filly in Canada, Princess Elizabeth S. -R (WO, \$150,000(CAN)), 2nd Ontario Lassie S. -R (WO, \$30,000(CAN)). Dam of--

**CURLIN'S CATCH** (f. by Curlin). 2 wins at 3, 2021, \$146,543(USA), Suncoast S. [L] (TAM, \$60,000), 3rd Fury S. -R (WO, \$13,750(CAN)).

**Chic Thrill** (f. by Smart Strike). 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$159,375(USA), 2nd Sweet Briar Too S. (WO, \$24,000(CAN)).

Tizn't Caught (f. by Tiznow). Unraced. Dam of--

**Caroline the Great** (f. by Into Mischief). Winner at 2 and 3, \$54,264, 2nd Happy Ticket S. (LAD, \$12,000).

**Cognashene** (g. by Dynaformer). 6 wins, 3 to 10, \$320,954(USA), 3rd Singspiel S. **[G3]** (WO,

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\$19,800(CAN)), Breeders' S. -R (WO, \$55,000(CAN)). Set ncr at Willowdale Steeplechase, 2 1/4 miles in 4:24.80.

**Finn's Jewel** (f. by Giant's Causeway). 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$157,477(USA), 3rd Carotene S. -R (WO, \$15,000(CAN)). Producer.

**Kitten's Boy** (g. by Kitten's Joy). Winner at 2 and 3, placed at 6, 2021, \$122,413(USA), 3rd Coronation Futurity -R (WO, \$22,500(CAN)).

Catch the Luck (g. by A.P. Indy). 13 wins, 3 to 10, \$396,440(USA). Set ntr at Woodbine, 1 1/8 miles in 1:49.19.

Clutch Catch (g. by Tiznow). 4 wins at 4 and 5, \$58,055(USA).

Speed Ring (r. by A.P. Indy). 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$53,139(USA). Sire.

Seize the Ring (f. by Tiznow). Placed at 3, \$13,861(USA). Producer.

Ensejaam (f. by Dynaformer). Placed at 3 in ENG, \$4,304 (USA). Producer.

Catch the Flag (f. by A.P. Indy). See above.

## 4th dam

**RADIANT RING**, by Halo. 11 wins, 2 to 4, \$775,478, Matchmaker S. **[G2]**, Woodbine Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. [L] (WO, \$100,284(CAN)), Woodbine Budweiser Breeders' Cup H. [L] (WO, \$100,068(CAN)), Canadian Breeders' Cup S. [L] (WO, \$64,434(CAN)), Natalma S. [L] (WO, \$50,730(CAN)), Nassau S. [L] (WO, \$50,580(CAN)), Nassau S. [L] (WO, \$50,400(CAN)), Appalachian S. [L] (KEE, \$36,741), etc. Sister to **DEVILISH GLEAM** (\$112,702, Cup and Saucer S. -R (WO, \$82,728(CAN))). Dam of 7 winners, including--

**CATCH THE RING** (f. by Seeking the Gold). Champion, see above.

**SEEKING THE RING** (f. by Seeking the Gold). 3 wins at 3, \$314,515, Labatt Bison City S. -R (FE, \$100,000(CAN)), Northernette S. -R (WO, \$63,000(CAN)), 2nd Labatt Woodbine Oaks -R (WO, \$100,000(CAN)).

**SOUTHERN RING** (f. by Speightstown). 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$343,998(USA), Ontario Fashion S. **[G3]** (WO, \$108,000(CAN)), Whimsical S. **[G3]** (WO, \$90,000(CAN)), Ruling Angel S. (WO, \$72,000(CAN)), 2nd Bessarabian S. **[G2]** (WO, \$48,000(CAN)), 3rd Sweet Briar Too S. (WO, \$13,200(CAN)), etc.

**DIAMOND FEVER** (g. by Seeking the Gold). 4 wins at 3, \$175,501, Stanton S. (DEL, \$35,550), 3rd Sussex S. [L] (DEL, \$8,250).

**Lucky Old Sun** (g. by Sky Classic). Winner at 2 and 4, \$155,791, 2nd Cup and Saucer S. -R (WO, \$50,000(CAN)), 3rd With Approval S. -R (WO, \$11,880(CAN)).

**Bluegrass Sapphire** (f. by Bluegrass Cat). Winner at 3, \$100,276, 2nd Blushing K. D. H. (FG, \$15,000), 3rd Ricks Memorial S. (RP, \$5,500).

**Earth Shadow** (f. by Regal Classic). Winner at 2 and 3, \$68,269, 3rd Princess Elizabeth S. -R (WO, \$17,468(CAN)).

Split the Arrow (f. by Smart Strike). Placed in 2 starts at 3, \$8,900.

**FOREST UPROAR** (f. by Forest Wildcat). 4 wins, 3 to 5, \$286,328(USA), Marie G. Krantz Memorial H. (FG, \$36,000), 2nd Belle Geste S. -R (WO, \$20,000(CAN)), Blushing K. D. H. (FG, \$15,000), 3rd Wonder Where S. -R (WO, \$27,500(CAN)), Ontario Colleen S. [L] (WO, \$22,000(CAN)), etc.

**Quiet Jungle** (f. by Forest Wildcat). 2 wins at 3, \$251,066(USA), 2nd Nassau S. **[G2]** (WO, \$70,000(CAN)), 3rd Dance Smartly S. **[G2]** (WO, \$38,500(CAN)), Bison City S. -R (WO, \$27,500(CAN)).

**Arrow's Conquest** (g. by War Chant). 4 wins, 3 to 6, \$205,122(USA), 3rd Ontario Jockey Club S. -R (WO, \$11,000(CAN)).

Oval Cut (f. by El Prado (IRE)). Unraced.

**Justleaveitalone** (f. by Creative Cause). Winner at 3 and 4, 2021, \$141,422(USA), 2nd My Dear S. [L] (WO, \$24,000(CAN)), Fury S. -R (WO, \$25,000(CAN)).

**Flight Deck** (g. by Lemon Drop Kid). Winner at 2 and 4, \$127,544(USA), 3rd Breeders' S. -R (WO, \$40,000(CAN)).

RACE RECORD for Messier: At 2, two wins (Bob Hope S. **[G3]** (DMR, \$60,000)), twice 2nd (Los Alamitos Futurity **[G2]** (LRC, \$60,000)) in 4 starts; at 3, 2022, one win (Robert B. Lewis S. **[G3]** (SA, \$120,000)), once 2nd (Runhappy Santa Anita Derby **[G1]** (SA, \$150,000)) in 2 starts. Totals: 3 wins, 3 times 2nd in 6 starts. Earned \$435,600.