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Trainer: Ian R. Wilkes

Dk B/ .g. 6 Flower Alley-Flower Forest by Kris S.
Bred in Kentucky by Sierra Farm (Mar 22, 2013)

14Sep1910 WO	gd	1 1/2	:47 ⁶³	1:37 ⁷⁷	2:27 ⁷⁸	3f	Stk - NrthDancG1 - 300k	108-103	4	6 ²⁰	5 ¹⁰	4 ³	3 ²¹	2 ²¹	Saez L	119	bl	23.15	2019:	6	1	1	\$127,552	Turf:	30	4	6	8	\$446,425
04Aug1910 Etp	fm	1 1/2	:49 ²⁸	1:35 ⁷⁷	1:59 ¹²	3f	Stk - KDPvTrfCpB - 100k	107-106	1	10 ^{5 1/2}	10 ⁶	8 ^{6 1/2}	8 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{2 1/2}	Hernandez, Jr. B J	120	bl	4.20	2018:	8	1	2	\$144,853	Off Track:	6	2	1	0	\$155,415
18May19 9 CD	fm	1 1/2	:50 ⁸¹	1:38 ⁵¹	2:27 ⁴⁸	3f	Stk - LsvilleG3 - 100k	115-113	2	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	Leparoux J R	122	bl	4.50	Life:	32	4	7	\$455,825	Distance:	12	1	3	1	\$183,533
20Apr19 4 Kee	yl	1 1/2	:50 ⁶¹	1:16 ⁵⁹	1:52 ³⁴	4f	Alw 85000nw35/x	60-93	5	5 ^{6 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ³	4 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	Leparoux J R	118	bl	3.00	WO:	1	0	1	\$60,000	Course:	1	0	1	0	\$60,000
30Mar1913 GP	fm	1 1/2	:51 ⁶²	1:44 ⁸⁷	2:30 ⁰³	4f	Stk - PanAmerG2 - 250k	94-109	5	9 ⁷	9 ^{5 1/2}	9 ⁷	8 ^{3 1/2}	Leparoux J R	118	bl	21.30	2015:	1	0	1	\$60,000	Old Persian126 ²	Nessy119 ^{ns}	Focus Group123 ^{hd}	►	away slw, gamely	6	
26Jan1910 GP	yl	1 1/2	--	--	2:36 ⁸⁰	4f	Stk - WLMcKntG3 - 200k	15-108	9	13 ^{9 1/2}	13 ^{8 1/2}	12 ⁸	9 ^{6 1/2}	6 ⁵	Leparoux J R	117	bl	42.60	Factor This120 ^{hd}	Botswana120 ^{hd}	My Boy Jack120 ¹	7	path 3/16, belatedly	10					
29Dec1810 GP	fm	1 1/2	1:39 ⁰⁵	2:31 ⁵⁷	3:19 ⁸⁷	3f	Stk - HAlnJrksB - 100k	97-101	10	6 ¹¹	4 ³	2 ¹	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{6 1/2}	Leparoux J R	117	bl	4.60	Tz a Slam126 ³	Shahroze122 ^{hd}	Nessy122 ^{nk}	7	rally, 3wd late, gaining	7					
18Oct18 8 Kee	gd	1 1/2	:52 ⁶⁴	1:44 ⁴⁵	2:34 ²¹	3f	Stk - SycamoreG3 - 100k	67-97	9	9 ^{7 1/2}	8 ^{4 1/2}	9 ⁵	9 ^{6 1/2}	9 ^{8 1/2}	Leparoux J R	123	bl	13.40	Nessy118 ³	Shahroze118 ^{ns}	Renaissance Frolic118 ¹	5	solid late run widest	5					
08Sep1810 KD	gd	1 1/2	:51 ²⁰	1:40 ⁸¹	2:30 ⁵⁶	3f	Stk - KyTrfCpG3 - 750k	105-109	2	12 ^{9 1/2}	9 ^{7 1/2}	11 ^{8 1/2}	7 ^{4 1/2}	7 ⁵	Leparoux J R	123	bl	12.70	1035	Focus Group120 ^{ns}	Meimich120 ¹	1	Village King120 ¹	9	in back, no rally	9			
07Jul18 8 AP	fm	1 1/2	:49 ⁷²	1:40 ²⁶	2:27 ⁵¹	3f	Stk - StrNSTpG3 - 100k	109-109	5	10 ^{5 1/2}	10 ^{7 1/2}	10 ⁶	6 ^{5 1/2}	5 ⁶	Leparoux J R	121	bl	6.60	42.60	1030	Zulu Alpha123 ³	Soglio117 ³	1	Hunting Horn117 ^{nk}	3-4w, passed tired foes	13			

Workouts(s): 26 Sep 19 Kee 4f ft :48.2b 3/10 10 Sep 19 Kee 4f ft :49.2b 3/3 4 Sep 19 Kee 5f ft 1:02.1b 3/5 28 Aug 19 Kee 5f ft 1:02.1b 9/9

- Pedigree was one good reason for Nessy to target the Pattison Canadian International. “His full brother won this race a few years ago,” said Ian Wilkes, who trains the homebred six-year-old Flower Alley-Flower Forest gelding for Sierra Farm.
- His sibling, the late Bullards Alley, didn’t just win the Canadian International. In a monster effort, that Tim Glyshaw trainee scored by 10 ¾ lengths while returning \$87.90, a record win mutuel for the race.
- The fact that Nessy had not been effective at Kentucky Downs was another reason that Wilkes, despite being based at Keeneland, looked to the north this season. “He doesn’t like Kentucky Downs—he’s never run good there,” said Wilkes, who had raced Nessy at the previous three editions of that abbreviated meeting. “That’s the only track he’s never run good. We were always earmarking (Nessy) for the two races at Woodbine this year.”
- Nessy launched the first phase of his two-race Woodbine mission when he shipped up from his Keeneland base to finish second behind English shipper Old Persian in the Grade 1 Northern Dancer, which is run over the Canadian International course and distance.
- “I thought he ran a very good race,” said Wilkes. “He ran into a buzzsaw, the Godolphin horse. He’s a legitimate Grade I horse, he’s very good. For Nessy to nose out two other really good horses at the wire, to get second, was a huge performance.”
- Nessy already had started nine times when he joined the Wilkes barn for the start of his four-year-old campaign. “I was fortunate—he had some conditions,” said the trainer. “And, the horse always tries hard. That’s one thing you like about him. Some races he wasn’t good enough, but he really tries hard. And, I think he’s starting to get better and better this year.”
- Nessy’s career highlight to date came in the 2018 running of the Grade 3 San Juan Capistrano as he rallied to win by a length over 1 ¾ miles on the Santa Anita turf course. That race carried extra significance for Wilkes as the since deceased Ed Hudon, of Sierra Farm, had a particular fondness for the once very prestigious fixture.
- “That was a race that was always very dear to him,” said Wilkes. “He loved that race. They come down the hill and go around the track—he always wanted to win that race. The greatest compliment he paid me, he said if he never won another race, he’d be a happy man, because he won the San Juan Capistrano.”
- Wilkes believes that a change in attitude has helped Nessy raise his game. “Early on, I thought he wanted to be in the race a little more,” said Wilkes. “He’d been very quirky to ride. One day he’d break bad, and put himself back. Next day he’d break, and he’d be up near the front. These days he’s enjoying his racing, where he just relaxes early and finishes.
- “He’s a cool little horse. He’s just a pleasure to be around. Everybody loves Nessy.”

Owner – Sierra Farm

Based in Lexington, Kentucky, Sierra Farm has been owned by Sharon Hudon since the death of her husband, Ed Hudon, in September of 2018. Ed Hudon had owned horses since the 1980s and the couple started off racing together in California. In 2006, they purchased the old Chance Farm from Brooke Royster and renamed it Sierra Farm. With its broodmare band producing 20 to 25 yearlings annually, Sierra Farm has been offering all its stock at Kentucky sales. The homebred Nessy gave the outfit its first graded stakes win in last year’s Grade 3 San Juan Capistrano at Santa Anita.

Trainer – Ian Wilkes

Ian Wilkes, 54, was born on a dairy farm in Muswellbrook, New South Wales and began working with racehorses as a groom and exercise rider at age 16. While working for the stable of leading Australian trainer Colin Haynes, Wilkes arranged through a mutual friend to move to the United States and work for Hall of Fame conditioner Carl Nafzger. After arriving in Kentucky in 1989, Wilkes galloped horses for a year and a half with one of his regular mounts being Unbridled, who won the 1990 Kentucky Derby and Breeders’ Cup Classic en route to earning an Eclipse Award as champion three-year-old colt. As Nafzger began to wind down his career, he turned over the majority of his horses to Wilkes, who saddled his first winner at Gulfstream in January 2006. He has since annexed 37 graded stakes headed by Fort Larned’s Grade I scores in the 2006 Whitney and Breeders’ Cup Classic, and the 2013 Steven Foster. His other

multiple graded stakes winners include Capt. Candyman Can, who gave Wilkes his first Grade I score in Saratoga's 2009 Kings Bishop, Neck 'n Neck and McCracken.

Jockey – Chris Landeros

Chris Landeros, born July 12, 1988 in San Mateo, California, is the son of trainer Manuel Landeros and grandson of racehorse owners Frank and Lynn Mitchell. Landeros rode his first race at Turf Paradise at 17 and his first winner there on January 18, 2006. After moving between Turf Paradise and the Northern California circuit for several years, a phone call in 2009 from jockey agent Scott Hare lured Landeros to Texas, and he rode there and in Oklahoma year-round. In 2014, Landeros moved to the Kentucky circuit and solidified his status there over the next three years. Landeros, who also has enjoyed success at other tracks in the Midwest and Southeast, tried the tough Gulfstream meeting for the first time in 2018-2019 and won the Grade 2 Gulfstream Park Oaks aboard Champagne Anyone, trained by Ian Wilkes. He also raced at Saratoga this summer, winning the listed Birdstone Stakes aboard Big Dollar Bill for Wilkes. His lone previous Woodbine mount, also conditioned by Wilkes, was this year's seventh-place Nijinsky Stakes finisher Bourbon Resolution.

Previous Pattison Canadian International Starters

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