

# Ten Sovereigns

Ten Sovereigns retained his unbeaten record when crossing the line in the Gr.1 Middle Park Stakes with his ears pricked, to earn a Timeform rating of 120p, the “p” signifying that he was likely to improve further. This he did, with the pinnacle of his 3YO season coming in the Gr.1 July Cup over six furlongs. Tackling older horses for the first time, he won by nearly three lengths from Gr.1 winners Advertise and Fairyland.

Ten Sovereigns can be expected to make a fast start to his stallion career. His sire No Nay Never was Europe’s leading First-Crop Sire in 2018 and Ten Sovereigns’ grandsires Scat Daddy and Exceed And Excel were respectively Champion First-Crop Sire in North America and Australia.

Both No Nay Never and Scat Daddy have been successful with many different broodmare sires. Ten Sovereigns can be expected to follow suit. Sons of Danehill will create only 4x3 inbreeding to the many-times Champion Sire. No Nay Never owes much of his early success to mares from the **DANZIG** line, with **HARD SPUN** being the broodmare sire of his outstanding daughter Alcohol Free. No Nay Never is also working well with mares by sons of **DANEHILL**, including **ROCK OF GIBRALTAR** (Gr.2 scorer Land Force), **ORATORIO** (dual Listed winner Servalan), **FASTNET ROCK** (Gr.2 NZ winner Need I Say More) and **DANEHILL DANCER** (Gr.1-placed The Irish Rover). Mares by **KODIAC**, **CAMACHO**, **DANSILI**, **CLODOVIL**, **DANETIME** and **HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR** could suit Ten Sovereigns. Mares by the likes of **CHOISIR**, **MASTERCRAFTSMAN** and **ZOFFANY** create only 4x4 to Danehill.

The **GREEN DESERT** branch of the **DANZIG** line also has plenty to offer, as No Nay Never has a 7f Gr.3 winner out of a **SEA THE STARS** mare, as well as SWs out of daughters of **CAPE CROSS** and **OASIS DREAM** (also the broodmare sire of a Gr.1-winning 2YO by Scat Daddy).

Fast horses from the **NUREYEV** line could suit, such as daughters of **PIVOTAL** and **KYLLACHY**. **SIYOUNI**, with his dam by **DANEHILL**, could be especially suitable, creating 4x4 to Danehill and 5x5 to Nureyev. Scat Daddy’s son Caravaggio sired his first Gr.1 winner from a **PIVOTAL** mare and No Nay Never has Listed winners out of daughters of **PIVOTAL** and **PEINTRE CELEBRE**.

The outstanding American stallion **MR PROSPECTOR** will be no closer than the fifth generation of Ten Sovereigns’ offspring. No Nay Never is thriving with mares with **MR PROSPECTOR** blood. The Gr.2-winning siblings Arizona and Nay Lady Nay have a dam by **ENGLISH CHANNEL**, a son of **SMART STRIKE**. Two more of his Gr.2 winners are out of daughters of **SPEIGHTSTOWN** and **CHESTER HOUSE**.

**STORM CAT** is another who will be well back in Ten Sovereigns’ foals. Ten Sovereigns should do well with mares by **FOOTSTEPSINTHESAND**, **SHAMARDAL** and **LOPE DE VEGA**.

The **SADLER’S WELLS** line is sure to provide Ten Sovereigns with some good winners. No Nay Never has already has a Gr.2-winning 2YO with a dam by **SADLER’S WELLS** and he has two 2YO SWs out of **GALILEO** mares. Sadler’s Wells’ brother **FAIRY KING** sired the second dam of Gr.1 winner Alcohol Free. Mares by **HIGH CHAPARRAL** have already produced two Gr.3 winners (13%) to No Nay Never.

The **SHIRLEY HEIGHTS** male line has quickly made its mark with No Nay Never, with his smart son Wichita having a dam by **DASHING BLADE**.

Mares from the quick-maturing **ROYAL APPLAUSE** line should help Ten Sovereigns pass on his considerable juvenile ability. No Nay Never’s very useful sprinter Royal Commando has a dam by **ACCLAMATION**.

No Nay Never has a Gr.3 winner out of an **INDIAN RIDGE** mare and his Group winners Wichita, Land Force and Love Locket all have second dams by **INDIAN RIDGE**.

**BLUSHING GROOM**’s sons **RAINBOW QUEST**, **NASHWAN** and **RAHY** collectively sired the second dams of five of No Nay Never’s SWs, and **RAINBOW QUEST** also sired the dam of one of his SWs.