

# MATING ANALYSIS

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## QUALITY ROAD

Elusive Quality - Kobla, by Strawberry Road (AUS)  
2006 Bay | 16.3 Hands

A brilliant racehorse who set track-records from 6 to nine furlongs, Quality Road reigned as the Leading Freshman Sire of 2014, and now has nine first crop stakes winners.

We had indicated that the **Storm Cat** line looked extremely promising here, and Quality Road has sired Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf (gr. I) winner Hootennany from a mare by **Storm Cat** son **Hennessy**; multiple graded winner Blofeld out of a mare by **Storm Cat** himself, and a stakes placed horses out of mares by **Forest Wildcat** and **Giant's Causeway**. **Storm Cat** could also be brought in through such as **Forestry**, **Stormy Atlantic**, **Stormin Fever**, **Tale of the Cat**, **Mountain Cat**, **Tabasco Cat** and **Harlan's Holiday**. There are several other branches of the **Northern Dancer** line that should work well under Quality Road. His sire, Elusive Quality, has been extremely strong over mares by **Dixieland Band** and his sons, with **Dixie Union**, appearing as broodmare sire of a stakes placed Quality Road two-year-old. **Deputy Minister** line mares should also work well, particularly through **Silver Deputy**. Elusive Quality, and the Gone West line in general, has enjoyed considerable success with **Danzig** line mares, and Quality Road has stakes winner Overprepared out of a mare by **Dayjur**. Other promising sources of **Danzig** here include **Danehill** and **Belong to Me**. There is a stakes winner by Elusive Quality out of a mare by **Sadler's Wells**, and this line should work well through **El Prado** and his sons **Medaglia d'Oro** and **Kitten's Joy**. In addition to descendants of **Northern Dancer**, the **Iccepapade** branch of Nearctic might work well here via **Clever Trick/Phone Trick** and **Wild Again**.

Elusive Quality has a stakes production rate well above opportunity with mares by sons of **Mr. Prospector**, who is from Elusive Quality's own male line line. Consider introducing that strain through horses bred on the **Mr. Prospector/Buckpasser** cross such as **Seeking the Gold** (whose son, **Cape Town**, is also broodmare sire of an Elusive Quality line stakes winner), **Miswaki** and **Woodman**; through **Lemon Drop Kid** (broodmare sire of an Elusive Quality's group one winner); **Smoke Glacken** (broodmare sire of a Quality Road stakes horse); **Thunder Gulch**, (broodmare sire of a group winner by Elusive Quality); as well as **Distorted Humor**, **Machiavellian** (sire of **Street Cry**), **Smart Strike**, and via **Fappiano** through **Rubiano** (broodmare sire of a Quality Road graded stakes performer), **Unbridled**, **Unbridled's Song** and **Quiet American**.

Quality Road has a stakes placed horse out of a mare by **Mineshaft** (a son of **A.P. Indy**, who could also be brought in through the similarly-bred **Pulpit**, **Malibu Moon**, **Congrats** and **Flatter**). **Pleasant Colony** – sire of the granddam of Blofeld – is by **His Majesty**, a brother to **Graustark** and half-brother to **Bowl of Flowers** (both of whom are in the pedigree of Quality Road) and could work through **Pleasant Tap** and **Pleasantly Perfect**. Quality Road has a stakes placed horse out of a mare by Honour and Glory, from the **Relaunch** branch of **the In Reality**. **Indian Charlie** has a strong affinity for Mr. Prospector, and his sire, **In Excess**, is by **Siberian Express**, who is from the same Frizette family as Mr. Prospector, Elusive Quality, and Quality Road. Quality Road may also be suited by daughters of **Yes It's True**.

- Alan Porter

