

TOP 12 BY MARE POINTS GOT VERY GOOD- OR VERY MODERATE- MARES

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There are three points in particular we'd like to make about this list of the top sires given the mares to which they were bred. First, you'll see a lot of new names on this list, sires who qualify as truly moving their mares up – a quality which is often discussed, but rarely accurately quantified. We've done that. Second, if you look at the third column from the right, headed 'Mare avg CPI', note that of the top 12 rated sires, seven have dams' average CPI of 1.22 or under, while five have an average of 5.89 or higher – that's quite a gap. A dam's CPI is the measure of her racing class. As you may remember, when we first began the SSR project Emily ran a statistical test measuring the CPI against another statistic which sounds similar but isn't: the CI (Comparable Index), which measures a mare's production quality. Emily determined the results of this comparison were sufficiently similar that we did not need to try and use both measurements, either one would do. We decided on CPI (race record), on the grounds it is static and doesn't change after a mare is retired, whereas the CI can change every time the mare has a foal to race. In any mare population, a CPI of 1.00 = average, but we have found that in the practical commercial world in which we are all operating, a CPI of 2.00 is a more realistic 'commercial' average. So it's striking that the top sires on this list are either working with decidedly moderate mares, or are still upholding even the very best mares. In a scale like this, where 50.00 is the top, the midpoint is 25.00, so any sire who scores 25.00+ Mare Points is moving his mares up, at least to some degree, and sires who score under 25.00 are not.

The third point we'd make about this list is that younger sires are relatively more prominent: six of the top eight sires by Mare Points are from the four most recent sire crops included in this analysis, those with first foals 2012-2015. Of those six, only Frankel (#5, 47.12 Mare Points) had a dams' average CPI even over 1.00; his was 12.30, by the way, which is astronomically high, so the fact he is improving even the best mares – it's practically Galileo-like.

A total of 19 sires from the four foal crops F2012-F2015 rank among the top 50 by Mare Points, which is an average of five sires per crop. Topping this chart is F2015 **Society Rock** (48.61), a dual G1-winning sprinter by Rock of Gibraltar who unfortunately died in 2016, before he ever had a runner, but was obviously going to be a very good sire. F2012s **Kantharos** (48.50), who stood seven seasons in Florida for no more than \$5,000, and **Showcasing** (48.29) rank two-three on this list, working with mares whose average CPI's were 0.92 and 0.97 respectively. **War Front** (47.44, from 5.89 mares by now) and **Frankel** come next, though Frankel is in a virtual tie which a much less-known F2014 sire, **Sir Prancealot** (47.12, off 0.68 mares). Ironically, both Society Rock and **Sir Prancealot** started out at Ireland's Tally-Ho Stud, indicating that team is pretty good at making stallions, although in **Sir Prancealot's** case he was sold to South Australia's Cornerstone Stud, which is now reverse-shuttling him to California, since he has a monster 10.34 A Runner Index in North America. Showcasing was just a useful sprinter by Oasis Dream for Juddmonte, but has been one in a string of success stories (most recent: F2017 Due Diligence) for England's Whitsbury Manor Stud.

Other F2012 sires among the top 50 by Mare Points are **Quality Road** (45.51/CPI 3.36), **Munnings** (44.66/1.39), and **Lope De Vega** (43.38/2.49), also featuring among the top 50 by Sire Points; and **Siyouni** (43.38), whose first season standing for above €7,000 was his 2016 crop (3yo's of 2019), sired off a €20,000 stud fee. He may already be covering his 10th crop but as his 2018 crop was sired off a €75,000 fee and he's been €100,000 since, the chances are he's got plenty more big-name racehorses in the pipeline.

Among F2013 sires, **Uncle Mo** (45.30), **Zoffany** (44.66), and **Twirling Candy** (37.82) are also included in the top 50 by Sire Points, but the top F2013 sire by Mare Points so far is France's Haras d'Etream's **Wootton Bassett** (46.90), who ranks #8 off mares with an 0.82 average CPI. All his runners so far were sired at stud fees of €6,000 and under; he now stands for €40,000. One other F2013 among the top 50 is **Dream Ahead** (36.97), who started at Ballylinch in Ireland but now stands at Haras de Grandcamp in France. Of the F2014 sires, we've discussed Frankel and Sir Prancealot. The real sleeper in this group is Darby Dan's **Dialed In** (41.67), whose runners to date have all been sired off \$7,500 stud fees but now has big crops from better mares in the pipeline. Also in this top 50 are **Power** (40.38), who started promisingly in Ireland, then went to New Zealand and is now at stud in Queensland; and Gainesway's **Tapizar** (36.43). And of F2015 sires, who had their first 4yo's last year, besides Society Rock, **Camelot** (40.17) is doing well at moving his mares up as well as in most other categories; and WinStar's **Paynter** (35.90), who has been showing steady improvement.

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YEAR END 2020 Table 2: Top 50 Sires by MARE POINTS

SIRE	YOB	FFLS	NFORA	STANDS	%A RNRS	%G1G2 WNRS	Mare avg CPI	MARE pts / 50	MARE PTS RANK
SOCIETY ROCK	2007	2015	174	DEAD	4.02	1.72	0.61	48.61	1
KANTHAROS	2008	2012	287	KY	5.92	1.39	0.92	48.50	2
SHOWCASING	2007	2012	370	ENG	4.86	2.16	0.97	48.29	3
WAR FRONT	2002	2008	637	KY	12.09	4.87	5.89	47.44	4
FRANKEL	2008	2014	305	ENG	15.41	5.90	12.30	47.12	5
SIR PRANCEALOT	2010	2014	181	CA	3.87	2.21	0.68	47.12	6
GALILEO	1998	2003	1983	IRE	12.25	5.24	6.87	47.01	7
WOOTTON BASSETT	2008	2013	130	FR	5.38	0.77	0.82	46.90	8
DUBAWI	2002	2007	1080	ENG	10.83	5.19	7.30	46.79	9
CLODOVIL	2000	2005	556	IRE	3.42	1.08	0.80	46.69	10
DARK ANGEL	2005	2009	879	IRE	5.69	1.59	1.22	46.47	11
TAPIT	2001	2006	1202	KY	11.48	4.24	5.98	46.26	12
QUALITY ROAD	2006	2012	452	KY	7.52	3.76	3.36	45.51	13
UNCLE MO	2008	2013	528	KY	8.71	2.46	2.34	45.30	14
SCAT DADDY	2004	2009	902	DEAD	7.65	3.10	2.26	44.98	15
INTO MISCHIEF	2005	2010	598	KY	8.70	2.34	2.02	44.98	16
MUNNINGS	2006	2012	397	KY	7.05	1.51	1.39	44.66	17
ZOFFANY	2008	2013	448	IRE	4.91	1.79	0.88	44.66	18
KODIAC	2001	2008	962	IRE	3.85	1.25	0.85	43.48	19
LOPE DE VEGA	2007	2012	452	IRE	6.86	1.99	2.49	43.38	20
SIYOUNI	2007	2012	441	FR	5.67	1.13	1.58	43.38	21
FOOTSTEPSINTHESAND	2002	2007	940	IRE	4.36	1.06	1.11	42.84	22
CURLIN	2004	2010	672	KY	8.33	2.68	3.36	42.63	23
DIALED IN	2008	2014	215	KY	3.72	0.93	1.54	41.67	24
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	2006	966	KY	9.94	2.48	3.82	41.56	25
FLATTER	1999	2005	850	KY	5.29	1.29	1.56	41.45	26
SEA THE STARS	2006	2011	588	IRE	7.82	3.40	5.73	41.13	27
KITTEN'S JOY	2001	2007	1265	KY	6.80	2.29	2.20	40.92	28
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	2007	806	KY	8.44	2.85	4.80	40.49	29
POWER	2009	2014	162	AUS	3.09	0.62	1.12	40.38	30
CAMELOT	2009	2015	260	IRE	6.54	1.54	2.10	40.17	31
SHAMARDAL	2002	2007	1144	IRE	7.08	2.97	4.18	39.53	32
RUN AWAY AND HIDE	2006	2010	316	TUR	3.16	0.95	1.31	39.42	33
ADLERFLUG	2004	2011	154	GER	5.84	4.55	2.20	39.00	34
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	2006	1253	KY	9.02	2.79	6.26	38.68	35
STORMY ATLANTIC	1994	2000	1485	KY	6.40	1.48	2.37	38.14	36
PIVOTAL	1993	1998	1649	ENG	7.22	2.49	3.98	38.14	37
EVEN THE SCORE	1998	2006	426	KY	2.35	0.70	1.19	38.03	38
TWIRLING CANDY	2007	2013	312	KY	5.45	1.60	1.72	37.82	39
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	1997	2004	1475	IRE	6.37	2.31	2.95	37.71	40
TEOFILO	2004	2009	874	IRE	6.52	2.06	2.70	37.50	41
DANSILI	1996	2002	1377	RETIRED	7.48	2.76	6.06	37.39	42
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	2000	1435	KY	9.06	2.44	5.99	37.18	43
DREAM AHEAD	2008	2013	354	FR	4.52	1.13	1.75	36.97	44
CANDY RIDE	1999	2006	1208	KY	6.79	2.32	3.52	36.86	45
TAPIZAR	2008	2014	268	KY	3.36	1.12	2.04	36.43	46
AREION	1995	2002	432	GER	6.48	0.93	1.29	36.32	47
AMERICAN POST	2001	2006	395	DEAD	4.56	0.76	1.08	36.32	48
ENGLISH CHANNEL	2002	2009	589	KY	6.62	2.04	3.08	36.22	49
PAYNTER	2009	2015	201	KY	5.47	1.00	2.01	35.90	50

RED: No Longer at Stud
 Key: YOB: year of stallion's birth; FFLS: year of stallion's first foals; NFORA: number of named foals of racing age, three-year-olds and older; STANDS: where the stallion stands in 2020; %A RNRS: the percentage of A Runners a stallion has sired in his career; %G1G2 WNRS: percentage of G1 or G2 winners a stallion has sired in his career; MARE Avg CPI: average CPI of dams of all foals three-year-old and older by the sire; MARE Points: rating from maximum of 50 the sire earns on the MARE rating scale; MARE Rank: ranking of stallion MARE rating scale.