

KING OF THE ROXY RETIRED FROM RACING WITH EARNINGS OF \$536,734, SEVEN-FURLONG SPECIALIST WON GRADE 2 FUTURITY AND HUTCHESON

Team Valor International's 4-year-old King of the Roxy has been retired from racing.

A 7-furlong specialist, the well-muscled bay colt took the Grade 2 Futurity Stakes at Belmont Park at 2 and the Grade 2 Hutcheson Stakes at Gulfstream Park at 3.

Todd Pletcher sent him west for the Grade 1 Santa Anita Derby and he tired in the final 50 yards to be upset by an unheralded Tiago in the 1 1/8-mile fixture.

King of the Roxy, who was honored by breeders in Ohio as Horse of the Year last season, completed his career with a record from 12 starts of 3 wins and 3 seconds. In addition to his Graded wins, the colt ran second in the Grade 2 Saratoga Special and the Grade 3 Barbaro Stakes. He earned \$536,734. He won or placed in Graded races at Belmont Park, Saratoga, Gulfstream Park, Santa Anita and Delaware Park.

"He is a very masculine, correct and powerful horse that stands over a lot of ground," said Barry Irwin of Team Valor. "He should make somebody a very attractive stallion prospect."

The colt developed a defect at the base of his cannon bone and was unable to continue racing.