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GERMAN-BRED DAVERON SCINTILLATES IN U. S. DEBUT WIN FOR CLEMENT, BARRY IRWIN'S YEARLING BUY FROM BBAG SALE GRADED STAKES BOUND, MARE EXPLODES TO WIN BY 4 GOING 1 1/16 MILES IN 1:41-FLAT AT BELMONT



Team Valor International German yearling buy Daveron romps at Belmont in U. S. debut.

Team Valor International's Daveron made quite a big impression in her debut in the United States today by pouring it on late to drive to a 4-length victory going a mile and a sixteen on the grass at Belmont Park in an allowance race.

"I knew she had ability," said Christophe Clement, "but I didn't realize she was ready to run a race like that. I have to say that she surprised me.

"Do not be surprised to see her return next time in a Graded stakes race. That run today was super impressive."

Barry Irwin bought Daveron as a yearling at the BBAG sale in Baden-Baden in Germany. She was a late developer, but she showed that she was worth waiting for, as after a pair of starts in the spring at 3 she was considered a leading candidate for the Group 1 German Oaks for trainer Andy Trybuhl.

However, the light-framed daughter of Black Sam Bellamy contracted a virus that led to pneumonia and she was out of action for the rest of the season. When she returned at 4, she picked up where she left off, winning a Listed stakes and getting nipped for third in a photo in a Group 3 in Germany.

Irwin said "We sent her to Christophe because she is a high maintenance type that requires a lot of individual care. Being able to have her trained over the winter at Payson Park was the right prescription for her."

In the Belmont race, Daveron was rank early. Eddie Castro reeled her in and got her covered up. She ranged into contention under a hand ride curving for home, exploded past the leader and drew rave notices from knowledgeable observers. Her Beyer number was 95.



Clement wringing hands in anticipation of stakes.