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EURO CHARLINE ON HER WAY BACK HOME TO ENGLAND BEVERLY D. WINNER IS READY TO RESUME TRAINING WITH MARCO BOTTI FIVE WEEKS OF DOWN TIME FOLLOWED SEASON-ENDING MINOR SURGERY



Euro Charline is on her way back home to England and to the care of trainer Marco Botti, a year to the date of her debut win at Wolverhampton, off the beaten path for a horse who would develop into the only 3-year-old to win Arlington Park's Grade 1 Beverly D. Stakes.

The filly was vanned yesterday from Versailles, Kentucky, to Huntsville, Alabama, where she was due to catch a direct flight Monday afternoon to Stansted Airport, not far from Botti's yard in Newmarket.

Euro Charline is ready to resume training after about 5 weeks of down time to recuperate from minor surgery to a hind ankle. A tiny bone fragment was removed by arthroscope after she developed lameness that prevented her from running in the Grade 1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup at Keeneland on October 11 for Todd

Pletcher.

Under Botti, Euro Charline finished second by a neck in the Group 3 Nell Gywn Stakes in her Team Valor debut in April and an unlucky third in the Group 1 Coronation Stakes at Royal Ascot before breaking through for a Listed win in the Valiant Stakes at Ascot.

In the 9 ½-furlong Beverly D., the bay filly stretched out beyond a mile for the first time and dispatched 3 horses who would go on to win Grade 1 races in their next starts. Two of them, Flower Bowl winner Stephanie's Kitten and E.P. Taylor winner Just the Judge, would continue on to finish second and third, respectively, in the Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf.



Euro Charline leaving the bluegrass on Sunday. Photos by Briana Mott/Team Valor.

The Team Valor partnership that campaigns Euro Charline decided in mid-October to send her back to Europe to continue her career, with the \$6-million Dubai Duty Free at Meydan as a possible goal.