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AKTEM Confirms Its Position as the World Leader in the Purebred Arabian Market with the Sale of GENEVA



The **Push Sale** held on **aktem.fr** this Wednesday, November 4, achieved an outstanding result with the sale of **GENEVA** for **€395,000**, further confirming AKTEM's position as the world leader in the Purebred Arabian market.

The five-year-old Purebred Arabian mare, boasting an exceptional pedigree and an outstanding racing record, was purchased by **Anthony Cessac (Haras de Thouars) on behalf of SCEA du Clos du Mayne**, a French owner and breeder. AKTEM is particularly proud to showcase, through this transaction, the excellence of French breeding and to contribute to the international recognition of exceptional horses.

Anthony Cessac commented:
"We are absolutely delighted to have secured GENEVA. It is quite rare to have the opportunity to acquire mares of such outstanding genetic and racing quality at public auctions. We were therefore particularly keen to secure this mare.

Francis and Caroline Gadioux, of SCEA du Clos du Mayne, have placed their trust in me since the acquisition of RAHAF, a daughter of Al Mourtajez and VIKKI DE CARRERE, a half-sister to HADI DE CARRERE, who is trained by François Rohaut. We have since continued this partnership with the purchases of CHAMPIONE AL MAURY and NINA AL MAURY at this year's AKTEM Arabian Selected Sale, with the ambition of gradually building a top-class racing operation.

*We focus exclusively on mares combining outstanding racing performances with exceptional pedigrees. GENEVA perfectly meets these criteria. A **Group 1 PA** winner from a remarkable family, she possesses all the qualities we are looking for and further strengthens a team that is continuing to develop.*

Her racing programme has yet to be determined, and we will discuss the options with her trainer, François Rohaut, in order to identify the best way forward for her career.
It is also a great source of satisfaction to be able to keep GENEVA in France and see her join a rapidly expanding French operation driven by passionate people. I would like to extend my warmest thanks to Francis and Caroline for their continued trust. We look forward to writing the next chapter of GENEVA's story."

Trained by François Rohaut, **GENEVA** has distinguished herself at the highest level, winning the **French Arabian Breeders' Challenge Classic – Wathba Stallions (Gr.1 PA)** at Toulouse in autumn 2025. She also finished third in the Qatar Arabian Trophy des Pouliches (**Gr.1 PA**) at ParisLongchamp. This season, she has continued to perform at **Group 1 PA** level, recording two runner-up finishes in the Critérium des Pouliches – Yas Racing at La Teste and the Qatar Cup – Prix Dragon at ParisLongchamp.

By the highly sought-after stallion **AZADI** out of **THEEBA**, **GENEVA** also boasts particularly desirable bloodlines. She is notably a half-sister to **METHGAL**, a dual winner of the Qatar International Cup (**Gr.1 PA**), as well as **FLEUR DU SOLEIL** and **KIAORA DU SOLEIL**, and a full sister to **AL THEEB**.

At just five years of age, **GENEVA** offers the prospect of continuing her racing career at the highest level before eventually embarking on a career as a broodmare.

About AKTEM

Founded in 2025, AKTEM is a French racehorse auction house dedicated to Thoroughbreds and Purebred Arabians. Committed and guided by values of proximity, transparency and professionalism, AKTEM places people and equine well-being at the heart of its mission.

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