CHESHAM STAKES

A long-term plan by Eoghan O'Neill came off when **Suits** You provided the French-based Irishman with a first Royal Ascot success when winning the Listed Chesham Stakes under Cristian Demuro. Racing in the centre behind the pacesetting **Sixth Sense** (**Shamardal**), the two-year-old son of **Youmzain** made headway three furlongs out before taking the lead in the closing stages and holding off the late lunge of **Ballydoyle** (**Galileo**) to win by a short head.

"He's very smart and he has been since February," said O'Neill, who moved from Newmarket across the Channel five years ago. "It has been the plan to come here for a long time. I decided we'd head to this if he won first time out, which he did. He gets into the race because he's qualified for this, being by Youmzain [for whom this was his first Stakes winner, though he is already the sire of the Gr.3-placed **Sea Calisi**]. He'll probably go for a Listed race in Deauville next and then come back to Britain for the [Gr.2] Royal Lodge Stakes.

"He's got speed, relaxes and gets a trip. We were punched when Spanish Romance got beaten yesterday, but we got the riding tactics wrong but I was quite confident today.

"The move to France was down to prize money at the end of the day. I was training lower grade horses on the whole and they struggle to pay their way in England. You have a better programme in France for the lesser horses and, when you get the good one, which I don't get very often, there is plenty of prize money too. I love coming to places like this too.

"We bought him at La Teste [Osarus September Yearling Sale] for \in 12,000 and my good friend Adam Solomon, who is a barrister in London, owns half and my wife Melissa the other half. She is a wonderful person, very, very good at home – she helps out fantastically in the yard and we would be lost without her."

Bred by Rabbah Bloodstock and an Osarus September Yearling Sale graduate, his grandam **Carinae** (**Nureyev**) was thrice Listed-placed in Britain and North America and is out of the Gr.3 La Coupe de Maisons-Laffitte winner **Turning Wheel** (**Seeking The Gold**), from the family of the Listed winner and Gr.1 St Leger-second and sire **Minds Music**.



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