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SUMMERWIND MARCHADORS - Written by John and Lynn Kelley

Summerwind Marchadors is both a USMMA and ABCCMM member and breeder. We operate a ranch in Pagosa Springs, Colorado, but also reside and do much of our breeding operation in Scottsdale, Arizona. With the other 2 founding members, we helped establish the USMMA (United States Mangalarga Marchador Association) in 2004 which is now recognized by the ABCCMM.

Our Marchador history began in 2001. Lynn had ridden and owned Arabian horses in the East, but did not bring them west when we retired and moved to Arizona. When John became a rider with his first horse, a Missouri Fox Trotter, Lynn began her search for another horse on the internet. Lynn typed in a description of what she considered to be a **perfect horse** and the Mangalarga Marchador showed up! We had never heard of the breed, nor did any of our breed books mention them. We decided to buy one, even though we had never seen or ridden a Marchador. Her name was Bossa Nova de Miami, bred by the Guerra family in Miami, the original importers. Because of her, we began this incredible journey.

Many people fall in love with the Marchador because of their smooth gait. Lynn, having owned Arabians and having trained some in dressage, had other reasons to fall in love. She speaks most about the Marchador's soft, kind eye, intelligence and their willingness to try anything. We were impressed with the Marchador conformation, good temperament, beauty, and gait – it's a complete package. Thinking it would be fun and challenging to become breeders, we purchased another mare, Chanel de Miami, from the Guerra family (MM Horse Farms, article 1) and a 6 month-old stud colt.



The stud colt, Seamus da Boa Fe was imported in-utero, an embryo transplant from multi-champion mare Raja Fuga and grandson of the top Brazilian sire for many years, in the ELITE 7 book, Malibu da Santa Terezinha.

We did not know bloodlines when we began. We have learned every step of the way, given in part to the generosity of the Brazilians to share their knowledge about the Mangalarga Marchador breed and about breeding.

We first visited Brazil in July 2002 with the Guerra family. We attended the ABCCMM National Show and visited 6 or 7 farms in the state of Minas Gerais, including one owned by Mario Lucio Borges, who was most eloquent in describing the marcha picada and marcha batida gaits. He also described the goal of breeding to the center. We kept his diagram and explanation to explain the gaits better here in

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the US. It was Mario Lucio who introduced us to the **Favacho** bloodline, still our favorite one after all these years. However, we decided we did not know enough yet to buy and left without a horse.

For the next year, we tested many horses that looked promising to see if they would clear for shipment. Lynn became an expert using the ABCCMM website (in Portuguese) and we started researching individual horses, bloodlines and promising sires. She read Brazilian MM publications and books is best she could and tried to stay current with what was happening in the breeding and show ring in Brazil via the internet.



Photo from 2004: Only 2 year old Azenha de Maripa cleared for shipment. The other 2 mares selected did not clear. People in the photo: 2 grooms, Lynn Kelley, John Kelley, Chris Taveira, our friend and translator, and Dr. Jose Eduardo de Teves, our friend and teacher.

In 2004, we decided to import on our own. By now, we had met and become good friends with Dr. Tresa Smith (<http://montanamangalargamarchador.com>) of Montana. She introduced us via email to Dr. Olavo Monteiro, and in May, we visited Brazil as Olavo's guest. Olavo loaned us his vet and breeding manager, Dr. Jose Eduardo Teves, who became a good friend, and our mentor and teacher about the breed. With him we visited Itajoana, Libertas, Joatinga, Trimonte, and Tabatinga, Santa Rosa and Bomirar, in the countryside of Rio de Janeiro. We also saw horses from other farms including Abaiba, La Paz, Piedade, Cafundo, **LJ**, **JB** and more that were at the farms we visited. While we went to buy one proven stallion (Seamus was still too young to breed) we returned with 3 stallions, 1 stud colt and 5 mares. All the mares were in foal to great Brazilian stallions! Probably lucky for us in hindsight, a few more mares we had selected failed to pass the C-Eliza test to enter the U.S. We obviously were like kids in a candy store.

Our importation strategy was a little different based on the experience of others who were trying to import. It proved more expensive, but effective. We got our horses in record time. Usually the horses travel in containers carrying three horses. However, while you are waiting for the container to fill, the treated horse may regress and again test positive on the C-ELIZA test. So, our instructions were to ship

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horses as they cleared, even if there was only 1 horse in the shipment. There were many trailer rides in LA traffic as we went to pick up our treasures.

Because other breeders were selecting certain bloodlines we wanted to make sure we picked some diverse bloodlines to go with other lines that we knew we liked. We picked **Favacho** and **JB** to go with already known bloodlines of Abaiba, Herdade (covered by MM Horse Farms) and Tabatinga (covered by Lazy T Ranch). If you compared us to vintners, we would like blends.



La Paz Jivago, son of ELITE stallion IDEAL TABATINGA and grandson of ELITE mare **FAVACHO SINA**. Favacho Sina produced other ELITE champions whose names you may recognize: **Favacho** Estanho, **Favacho** Malta and **Favacho** Dama.

Our imported stallions:

- **La Paz Jivago**, imported June 2004. A metallic dun with a perfect body, he became our main herd stallion. In 2010, after freezing about 100 breeding doses of his semen, we gelded him and sold him as a performance sport horse to Rox Rogers in MT. Jivago is a mix of **Favacho** (we think the only Favacho blood in North America) and Tabatinga bloodlines, but resembles the **Favacho** type more. Jivago has sired foal crops on 2 continents and 3 countries.
 - His foals here in North America:
 1. Beethoven do Summerwind (x Azenha de Maripa) - dunskin gelding, owned by Laurie Klassen, SK, Canada.
 2. Boneca da Lusomatica (x Cigana de Miami) – bay mare, owned by Ellen Farmer, Lusomatica, FL.
 3. Caesar do Summerwind (x Chanel de Miami) - chocolate bay gelding, owned by Marli Wood, CA
 4. DaVinci do Summerwind (x Bossa Nova de Miami), dunskin gelding owned by Connie Claire, FL

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5. Destiny do Summerwind (x Chanel de Miami) – buckskin mare, owned by Gayle Hamilton, TX
 6. Diego do Summerwind (x Vedete de Itajoana) – grey gelding, owned by Pat Rollingson, Sunset Marchadors, AB, Canada
 7. Belmiro de Sunset (x Vedete de Itajoana) – dunskin stud colt, owned by Stefanie Barth, Penticton, BC, Canada.
 8. Enya do Summerwind (x Chanel de Miami) – bay filly, owned by Summerwind Marchadors, AZ
 9. Fidalgo do Summerwind (x Brasilia do Summerwind) – bay colt, reserved by Lynn Boone-Mayberry, NC
 10. March 2011 (x Elba Cruzalta), ??, owned by Keith and Alice Mosing, TX
- **Caboclo da Piedade**, imported June 2004. A Spanish looking mahogany bay, it is Caboclo's disposition that sets him apart. He is a perfect gentleman and willing partner. His sperm count was low which made even live cover problematic, so he was gelded. He is a mix of **JB** (and **LJ**, a **JB derivative**) and Herdade blood and shows characteristics of both lines. Son of ELITE stallion Discreto **JB**; grandson of ELITEs Carvao L.J. and Herdade Prateado.
 - His foals:
 1. Agostos do Great Lakes (x Atriz de Itajoana) – grey gelding owned by Jay and Susan Bryan, Great Lakes Marchadors, MI
 2. Bacara do Summerwind (x Bossa Nova de Miami) – bay mare, owned by Jeff and Michelle Bosley, NC
 - **Seamus da Boa Fe**, imported in-utero. A big grey Andalusian-type Marchador, he has a strong work ethic that shows up when he is under saddle. He is spectacular to watch! Our biggest regret was that we gelded him before we tested his semen for freezing.
 - His foals:
 1. Artemis do Summerwind (x Chanel de Miami) – grey gelding, retained by Summerwind Marchadors
 - **Violeiro de Itajoana**, imported August 2004 as a stallion. Violeiro was a sweet stallion from one of our pre-selected foundation mares Festa AJ. He is an Abaiba/Tabatinga mix. Son of ELITE stallion Icaro de Itajoana and ELITE Festa A.J.; grandson of ELITES Providencia Regente and Providencia Tiroleza. Now owned by Marion Neidringhaus, T Bar T Ranch, WY
 - **Koyote Libertas**, imported October 2004 as a 2 month old stud colt at the side of his mother, Brisa Libertas. Born blue roan, he is now a blue grey. A son of ELITE stallion Impossivel da Mandassaia; grandson of ELITES Beijo **JB** and Domino da Joatinga. Because of his smaller size, we decided to geld him at 2 years. But again, we learned...we wish we had passed on his genes! Perhaps his smaller size (14.3H today) was due in part to the treatment and the stress of importation. He has great bone and a great gait! He is a mix of **JB**, (and **LJ**, a **JB derivative**) and Tabatinga and Mar bloodlines.

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Caboclo da Piedade with Lynn Kelley, practicing dressage for a demonstration performance in AZ



Violeiro de Itajoana, son of 2 ELITE MMs, was the first Marchador in WY



Koyote Libertas, son of 7-time champion Impossivel da Mandassaia, shows off his inherited great gaits.

Our imported mares:

- **Atriz de Itajoana**, imported August 2004. 14.2H grey mare, now owned by Jay and Susan Bryan, Great Lakes Marchadors, MI. She is an Abaiba/Tabatinga mix.
- **Azenha de Maripa**, imported September 2004, red bay mare, now co-owned by Summerwind Marchadors and Signa Strom, Yankee River Sport Horses, and living in PA. Azenha is an Abaiba/Herdade mix, totally beautiful. Bred by Haras Maripa, she was the highest priced mare sold at the first Luxor auction in Brazil. Haras Maripa breeds horses for sport and long distance riding. Azenha was chosen in part because of her grandmother Festa A.J. one of our target horses. Daughter of ELITE stallion Laio de Maripa; granddaughter of ELITES, Rima Apogeu and Festa A.J.

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- **Brisa Libertas**, imported October 2004. Dark bay roan mare, now owned by Jay and Susan Bryan, Great Lakes Marchadors, MI. Brisa is a Tabatinga/Mar mix, with great conformation and gait and already a proven producer when we met her. She was chosen because of her ELITE sire, Dominio da Joatinga and the unique MAR bloodline.
- **Vedete de Itajoana** – imported August 2004. A pretty grey mare, now owned by Dr Tia Nelson and Derek Brown, Vista de Serra, MT. Vedete is a Tabatinga/Abaiba mix. Daughter of Elite stallion Icaro de Itajoana; granddaughter of ELITE Abaiba Gim.
- **Vicosa de Itajoana**, imported October 2004. A big buckskin beauty is nearly pure Tabatinga. Vicosa is now owned by Rox Rogers, Haras Cayuse, MT. She also had a foal by Tabatinga Monitor in MT, Caetano-Veloso de Lazy T.



Atriz de Itajoana, daughter of ELITE stallion Icaro de Itajoana.



Brisa Libertas, daughter of ELITE stallion Dominio da Joatinga



Vedete de Itajoana, daughter of ELITE stallion Icaro de Itajoana.



Vicosa de Itajoana, daughter of ELITE stallion Icaro de Itajoana.

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Azenha de Maripa, daughter of ELITE stallion Laio de Maripa. Haras Maripa breeds for sport and distance. Ridden by Signa Strom, co-owner.

Imported in-utero: (2 of the mares lost their pregnancy before arriving in the US)

- **Amadeus do Summerwind**, the product of Brazilian syndicated ELITE book stallion Cangaco Tabatinga and Vedete de Itajoana and owned by Kristy and Dave Everson, AZ. A grey gelding, he is $\frac{3}{4}$ Tabatinga, $\frac{1}{4}$ Abaiba. Grandson of ELITES Icaro de Itajoana and Tabatinga Maria Bonita. Tabatinga foundation sire Predileto is also a grandsire.
- **Amethyst do Summerwind**, the product of much admired stallion Irapuru da Joatinga and Vicoso de Itajoana, now owned by Jay and Susan Bryan, Great Lakes Marchadors, MI. Amy is a red bay mare, pure Tabatinga. ELITE grandparents are Icaro de Itajoana and Zinia Tabatinga. Amethyst just had a 2010 bay colt of her own by Oxum do Vale da Prata.
- **Brasiia do Summerwind**, the product of Armistico LJ and Brisa Libertas, retained by Summerwind Marchadors, AZ. Brasilia is a black bay, $\frac{1}{2}$ LJ (a **JB** derivative), $\frac{1}{4}$ Tabatinga, $\frac{1}{4}$ Mar. Granddaughter of ELITES Rubi LJ and Dominio da Joatinga.



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Amadeus do Summerwind with owner Kristy Everson. Amethyst do Summerwind at 15 months, now with Great Lakes Marchadors, MI



Brasília do Summerwind. Both Amethyst and Brasília had their first foals recently. A new generation!

Our reason for importing so many horses was to help introduce the breed in the North America and to find new breeders. Because of this, we parted with some great broodmares we would have kept for our breeding program. But, we did succeed in expanding Mangalarga Marchador breed to many states: AZ, CA, MI, MT, NC, PA, TX, and WY. We became exporters too - exporting a mare and stallion to Canada. We were instrumental in introducing the breed to Israel.

Both Lynn and I enjoy the romance, history and tradition of Brazil and its National breed. So, we follow their naming convention of alphabetically naming our foals. We continue to inspect and register our Marchadors in Brazil with the ABCCMM. And of course, we return.

Since 2004, we have visited Brazil each year except for 2010. Each visit we meet with their association, the ABCCMM. With every visit to Brazil, we have met many more horses and breeders. As a breeder, the goal is to improve the next generation and to create what you consider to be the perfect horse. Whether or not you share their taste, each breeder is dedicated to - and most are passionate about - preserving the quality and value of the Mangalarga Marchador.

Our breeding program has evolved as we keep learning more about the breed and advances in breeding technology. We produced the first Marchador foal in the US using frozen semen. We have the first frozen Marchador embryos, including one that was created using frozen semen. We call it 'Frozen all the Way', if one can name an embryo.

As breeders, we believe strong genetics show through in the progeny of a horse. In selecting our horses, we picked the genes and the bloodlines from our research, then the individuals from their performance, conformation and get. We strive for excellence on all levels. Our breeding choices in mares allow us to breed in two directions:

1. The first direction creates the PURE PLEASURE horse. In our mind, this is a centered and balanced picada gait individual. To produce this, we use Calciolandia blend of combining

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Herdade and Passa Tempo bloodlines. Our US foundation mares are Bossa Nova de Miami or Chanel de Miami. For added athleticism, bone or power, we add the **Favacho, JB** or Tabatinga bloodline in the stallion. The product is versatile and excels in gaited shows or on the trail.

2. The second direction is the IBERIAN SPORHORSE that is pure Mangalarga Marchador. In this arena, we aim for a centered and balanced marcha batida horse. Our US foundation mares are Azenha de Maripa, Brasilia do Summerwind and Luminosa da Joatinga. The products are a blend of Abaiba, **Favacho, JB** and Tabatinga. This horse can excel in shows and sports against other non-gaited breeds.

Our foundation stallion is La Paz Jivago, a blend of **Favacho** and Tabatinga bloodlines. In the near future, we hope to add more stallions to the mix through importation of a different kind.



Oma de Maripa, whose semen has been collected and frozen under the USDA guidelines to ship to the US. Oma is a Herdade/Abaiba mix. A son of 2 ELITE Marchadors, he is a son of Laio de Maripa as is our mare Azenha de Maripa.

Our importation focus now is on frozen semen and frozen embryos, from the best stallions and mares from Brazil and sometimes from Europe. This has been a multi-year path that we are still pursuing. There are numerous pitfalls as with importing live animals. As in importation, not every stallion and mare is a good candidate for this technology. Often the horses you select do not prove out and the only way to find out is to test them. Since frozen semen and embryos last forever, our last journey will benefit all Marchador breeders and even future generations as well, with improved genetics and bloodline diversity.

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Excerpt from the article “Mangalarga Marchador Bloodlines” By Ricardo L. Casiuch – March 2009

There are three different segments of breeding lines in the MM breed:

- I. Old ones or foundation lines -- These are lines that started during the XVIIIth century in the South of Minas Gerais state, mainly at Cruzilia region.
- II. Traditional lines, which were born from the foundation lines
- III. extinguished lines

FOUNDATION LINES

Favacho

The starting point is the **Favacho**, whose chapel was erected at 1761 near the farmhouse and still is there. João Francisco Junqueira Filho and his son José Frausino Junqueira (born in 1805) are considered the first milestones of this breeding masterpiece.



Favacho Farol (Favacho Radical x Favacho Rassunda)

Historical horses: Plutão, Canadá, Duque, Calçado, Manco, Trovão, Montenegro, Fla-Flu, Jambo, Gesso, Calçado, Albatroz, Armistício and Candidato. More recently: Farol, Radical, Quociente and Estanho.

Favacho horses are excellent on Marcha Batida (more diagonal movements), but their morphology is not refined although very expressive. They remind us of the old Sorraia and old Alter stallions that fixed the first genes during the XVIIIth century. Most frequent colors: dun, chestnut, bay, and grey.

Campo Lindo – JB:

Mr. João Braúlio Fortes Junqueira, grandson of Mr. João Francisco Junqueira Filho (founder of Favacho), built the farmhouse in 1870. He was an excellent horseman and his horses showed great movement, beautiful head/neck and smooth gait – Marcha Batida.

His grandson – Mr. José Braúlio Junqueira de Andrade was one of the founders of the MM Association in 1949, but never registered his horses at this organization. He continued to keep his registration papers at Mangalarga Association in São

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Paulo City, founded in 1934. His son, Mr. Urbano Junqueira de Andrade, sold to Mangalarga Marchador breeders during more than 40 years, only started to register his herd at MM in 1989.

Today, in Brazil, the 'Campo Lindo – JB' bloodline is the leader in terms of top ranking of stallions, market prices and number of stallions being used in MM farms during breeding programs. They present an excellent/expressive morphology, nice and smooth gait – Marcha Batida.

Foundation stallions: The Money, Bellini, Farol, Rio Negro, Clemenceau I e II, Ouro Preto, V-8, Sargento, Diamante, Joazeiro, Raro, Sincero, Beijo, Velho, Quartel, JK and Tostão.



Bellini JB (The Money x Dourada), considered one of the founders of the whole MM breed



Sincero JB (Neon x Jogatina) and Mr. Urbano Junqueira de Andrade. Photo in 1961