



Ambassador Award Winner 2024



The 2024 Ambassador Award winner is Kings Ransom EE+// (MR Gazi x Destynctive), an 27-year-old Bay Purebred Arabian Gelding owned by Adrienne Morella.

King was bred by Mary Ann Rafferty and started his very successful show career at the age of 3 through the year 2021. Where at the age of 23 he received a US National top ten in the Ranch Riding class and carried the American Flag for the Closing Ceremonies both Friday and Saturday evenings as well as Adrienne volunteering him for the youth judging contest.

King showcased the versatility of the Arabian breed by successfully competing in several different disciplines in his show career. He has several regional wins in Classical and western dressage, Ranch Horse classes, Hunter Pleasure, Western Pleasure, and Sport horse classes. Most of these classes he was trained and shown by his owner Adrienne. King has also been shown in the walk-trot 10 & under division.



Adrienne has taken King on many trail rides, gone camping with him in the Allegheny National Forest, greeted children at birthday parties, been a lesson horse teaching many people how to ride, been shown in several open and AHA recognized shows, been a babysitter for young horses and ridden in parades.



During his retirement from the show pen, King has given Adrienne the honor of carrying the American Flag at the Prestigious Dressage at Devon Show during the Grand Prix night for three years in a row. They were able to assist in honoring WWII, Korean, and Vietnam War veterans at the Honor Flight Philadelphia Parade where they also carried the American Flag. He was surrounded by bagpipes, loud music, and hundreds of people and he didn't miss a beat while everyone came to visit and pet him.



King's sweet and kind demeanor made him a wonderful ambassador of the breed at several farm open houses and events in their local community. Recently, Adrienne and King collaborated with equestrian Brands, such as, Ovation Riding, OneK helmets, mountain horse riding, Tech stirrups, and Pessoa Saddles, where he has been an equine model for their catalogs. Being represented as the only Arabian in their marketing campaigns and is a perfect representative.

King was also in a short music video playing the Prince's horse with Adrienne as the stunt rider galloping through a Peony field.

AHA wishes King a happy retirement and thank you for representing the Arabian breed with beauty, kindness, athleticism, and so much more. Congratulations again to our 2024 Ambassador Award winner Kings Ransom EE+// and his owner Adrienne Morella!

