## Go For Wand Thoroughbred Legends | The Unforgettable Champion

When it comes to legendary racehorses, there are a few names that effortlessly come to mind. Go For Wand, without a doubt, is one of those names. This awe-inspiring Thoroughbred not only dominated the racetracks but also captured the hearts of racing enthusiasts worldwide. With an unparalleled racing career and an indomitable spirit, Go For Wand redefined the standards of equine excellence. Let's dive into the fascinating world of Go For Wand and discover what made her a true champion.

#### **Early Life and Pedigree**



Born on January 7, 1987, Go For Wand was bred by Christiana Stables in Kentucky. She had an impeccable pedigree, being the daughter of Deputy Minister, a notable sire, and Obeah, a successful broodmare. Her lineage showcased a blend of talent and stamina, laying the foundation for her exceptional racing abilities.

### **Racing Career**

Go For Wand debuted on the racetracks in 1989 and immediately proved her mettle. She showcased an astonishing level of athleticism, speed, and determination. During her illustrious career, she won an impressive ten out of

thirteen races, leaving her competitors far behind. Her most memorable victories include the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies and the Alabama Stakes.



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#### **Tragedy Strikes**

Despite her countless achievements, Go For Wand's career was marred by a heartbreaking incident that occurred during the 1990 Breeders' Cup Distaff. Leading the race, Go For Wand suffered a catastrophic injury, fracturing both her right foreleg. Despite the immense pain, she valiantly continued to run, refusing to surrender. To this day, her unwavering determination remains etched in the memories of racing enthusiasts.

#### **Legacy and Impact**

Go For Wand's legacy extends far beyond her impressive accomplishments. Her unwavering spirit and remarkable courage in the face of adversity continue to inspire both racing enthusiasts and equestrians worldwide. Numerous awards have been established in her honor, honoring her contributions to the sport. Her

story serves as a reminder of the bond between horses and humans, exemplifying the resilience and determination we can aspire to.

#### The Unforgettable Champion

Go For Wand, a true champion in every sense of the word, made an everlasting impact on the world of Thoroughbred racing. With her exceptional talent, unwavering determination, and heartbreaking tragedy, she remains an icon in the hearts of many. Go For Wand will forever be remembered as a legend, her name etched in the annals of equestrian history.



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Like the great race mare Ruffian before her, Go for Wand was touched by both brilliance and tragedy. In his new book Go for Wand, part of the Thoroughbred Legend series from Eclipse Press, award-winning writer Bill Heller recounts the life of the ill-fated filly whose accomplishments on the track engendered fierce devotion from her fans.

Readers will learn about Go for Wand's special relationship with her exercise rider, Rose Badgett, wife of the filly's trainer, Billy Badgett. In addition, Heller tells how hard-luck jockey Randy Romero became the only race rider Go for Wand had throughout her career, and how her owner, Mrs. Jane du Pont Lunger, came up with the filly's unusual name.

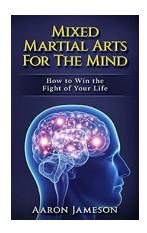
On the racetrack, Go for Wand was an immediate force to be reckoned with, demolishing her fields and using her brilliant speed to propel her to victory. She was a champion at two, then at three was even better, besting her peers as well as older mares. However, it is her devastating breakdown in front of a national television audience in the 1990 Breeders' Cup that most people remember. But Go for Wand, while remembering tragedy, celebrates the brilliant filly, the one who, according to Mrs. Lunger, "raced with such joy and abandon."



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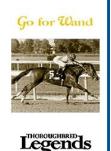
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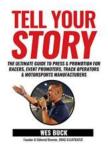
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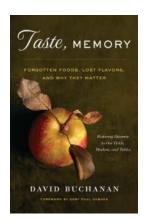
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