

Mees 497

Date of birth: 10 April 2012
Breeder: M. van Vliet, Koudekerk a/d Rijn
Owner: Aftonmora Friesians, Jonstrorp Sweden
Lineage: Tymon 456 x Star Perf Dries 421 x Star Pref*5 Oltman 317 x Star Jakob 302
Pedigree: 11
Kinship: 17.5%
Observations: Veterinary observation, hock Right Hind: OC, grade C

General

Mees 497 was approved as a 4-year-old in the autumn of 2016 on the basis of his more than satisfactory lineage, more than satisfactory exterior with a lot of breed expression and good performances in all three disciplines. From his first stud season 48 foals were registered in 2018 with 81% born out of (at minimum) Star mares. Mees 497 completed his Progeny Test in 2023 on the basis of three year collections of 3-, 4- and 5-year-old offspring, following that Mees 497 was put on hold due to insufficient numbers of inspected offspring to this date and a hereditary profile that proved unsatisfactory.

Exterior

The Mees 497 offspring are a uniform group of horses that should have more correct conformation and legwork. Especially in the topline they lack connection. They have satisfactory breed expression but would benefit from more lavish feathers. Across the board height at withers is satisfactory. Body shape is downhill. Shoulder conformation is sloping. Shape of the back is rather weak and the loin section should be stronger. Croup is average in terms of conformation and length. The offspring have average quality of legwork. Seen from the side, stance of the foreleg is straight. Stance of the hind leg is noticeably too sickle-hocked. Stance of the foreleg is toeing-in. The pasterns are long and size of the feet is adequate. For a more detailed description of the exterior please consult the breeding values for exterior.

Character/training report

In the yard the Mees 497 offspring are calm, pleasant, inquisitive horses who are relaxed but can also be a bit cheeky and dominant when handled. Reliability in the work is satisfactory, the horses are sensitive, a little too easily distracted and should volunteer more zest for work. They have satisfactory perseverance and stamina.

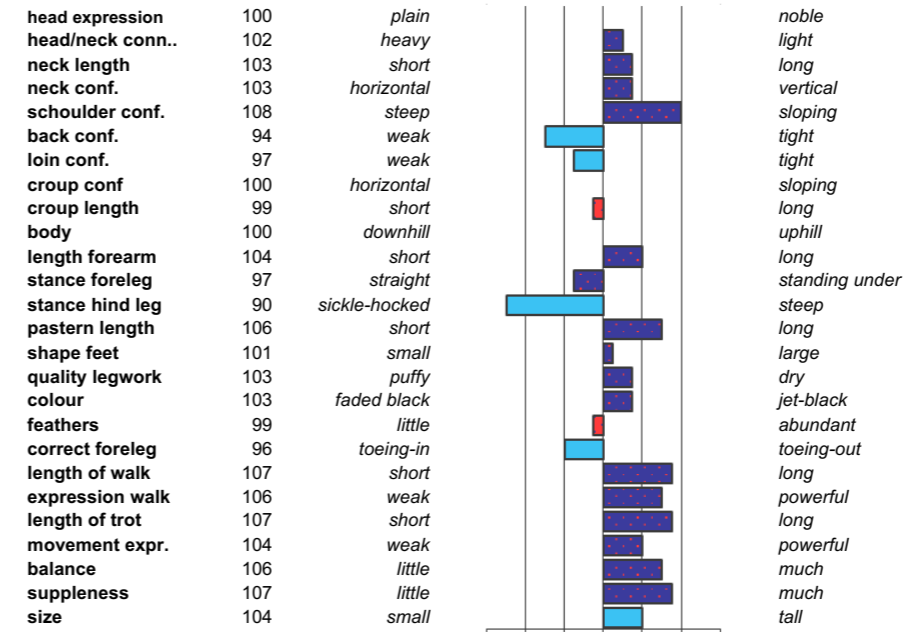
Movement/performance

From the Mees 497 offspring 20 individuals have taken part in ABFP Tests. The age of the tested horses ranged from three to five years old. Both under saddle as well as in driven work the offspring clearly display below-average performances. Two offspring achieved an AAA score. Across the board the walk is rather short and would benefit from more expression. A number of horses struggled with the rhythm in walk. The trot is average in terms of scope and strength. The canter shows satisfactory scope and power but they should move with more use of the body and rise in front. Generally speaking, the offspring need to display more suppleness and capacity for transitions. Impulsion and rideability of the tested horses are clearly below average.

Conclusion

Mees 497 presents a below-average hereditary profile for exterior (breeding value total 98; Star% mares 33; Star% stallions 27%) and a clearly below-average result for the performance test. The percentage of not-accepted mares is high. The offspring have weak topline and deviation in stance of legwork. The offspring have calm and reliable stable manners but contact manners tend to be somewhat cheeky and dominant. They show little zest for work and suppleness in ridden- as well as in driven work. Mees 497 will be sustained for breeding for the benefit of outcrossing.

linear exterior/in-hand movement



Rating characteristics exterior

btbh.%	breeding type	conformation	legwork	total	
73	103	99	94	98	
Movement/sport aptitude					
btbh.%	walk	trot	canter	total	showdriving
76	104	104	102	104	101

Kinship

vw%	variation bloodlines
17.5	102

Breeding values character

btbh.%	reliability/predictability	trainability	Zest for work	stamina
61	101	102	103	103

Breeding values sport

btbh.%	Breeding values
38	108

Inspection results:

Stb no premium	Stb 3rd premium	Star 2nd premium	Star 1st premium	Crown	Star%	Not accepted	Gelding Book	Gb Star	Fb Star	Fb not Star	Studbook	Registered mares	Inspected mares	% inspected	Star% compared to registered	% dams minimum Star
Mares							Geldings		Stallions			Mares				
5	9	5	1	1	33%	5	1	1	3	8	0	62	26	42%	11%	84%

Offspring numbers in ABFP Test:

Age			Gender		Predicate			Total	Result		
3	4	5	stallion	mare	Crown	Star	not Star		A	AA	AAA
11	8	1	8	12	1	4	15	20	4	5	2

Results Performance Test:

Under saddle								
walk	trot	canter	posture&balance	suppleness	transitions	impulsion	total	
6.1	6.5	6.4	6.5	6.4	6.4	6.6	70.3	
In-harness								
walk	trot	posture&balance	suppleness	transitions	impulsion	total	Showdriving aptitude	
6.0	6.6	6.8	6.4	6.5	6.7	71.2	5.9	