



Al Shaqab

The Legacy of Arabian Horses

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‘World champions do not just happen. Like treasured pearls, developed layer upon layer by the patient oyster, great horses are created over time from the stock produced by generations of breeders. Sometimes, however, extraordinary circumstances arise that allow these royal gems to come to light when otherwise they might never have surfaced ...’ **Judith Forbis**

In less than a decade of being founded, Al Shaqab had dominated international competitions and set new world records with three champion stallions who would not only ensure the renaissance of the Arabian horse in the Gulf region but also guarantee the reputation of this fledgling Qatari stable for generations to come. The names Al Adeed Al Shaqab, Gazal Al Shaqab and Marwan Al Shaqab were to become legends in their own right, with many more to follow in the years ahead.

Featuring breathtaking photography and written by the internationally acclaimed author Judith Forbis, this book traces the extraordinary story behind the success of Al Shaqab. Rich in historical detail and providing an inspiring insight into the role of the Arabian horse in the history of Qatar, it also pays tribute to the founder of Al Shaqab, His Highness the Father Emir Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, for preserving this amazing legacy.