## YEARLING BUY ATTENDANTE WINS SECOND TIME UP IN SOUTHERN FRANCE FLEETING'S HALF-SISTER LOOKS TO HAVE SERIOUS POTENTIAL FOR T.V.I.

Attendante took her time about coming around to make her first start, but she is quickly making up for lost time. Always backward and weak in her early training, trainer Yan Durepaire showed a great deal of patience in giving her plenty of time to make it to the races.

First time out the filly raced greenly. She showed excellent potential when maneuvering her way through some tight spots to finish a very promising second.

Filled with confidence because of the result of the filly's debut



Attendante won in hand like a good thing Sunday at Toulouse for her partnership

performance and her subsequent good training, the trainer issued specific instructions to her rider when she reappeared over 2100 meters in a maiden race on Sunday at Toulouse. "I told Jean-Bernard (Eyquem) to sit tight on her, save as much ground as possible and move when you get to the home stretch," Durepaire. "You can only issue instructions like that if you think you have the best horse."

Riding to instructions, top district reinsman Eyquem, who rode Almanzor to win the Group 1 French Derby in 2016, steered the filly to perfection. She easily got to the front down the lane, opened up a gap that made it look like she was going to win by 4 or 5 lengths, then geared her down as she approached the winning post. She won by a couple of lengths in the end.

The filly appears to have quite a future. She is a half-sister to English Group 2 winner **FLEETING**, which has placed in multiple Group 1 races including both Oaks last season.

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