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The Crabbet influence in some European countries is well documented. Everybody knows that the Russian Arabians have a high percentage of Crabbet blood. There have been many publications on this subject, as well as on the Crabbet lines in Spain and even Poland.

However, there is Crabbet influence in other countries as well, both more recent and less obvious. During the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century in particular, many Crabbet or high-percentage Crabbet horses were sold abroad from England to practically all-European countries, with some never heard of again. But many did leave their mark, even if it may not be apparent at first glance, most often in performance breeding, and also in Anglo- and part-bred breeding. And, if you look closely enough, in quite a few high profile show bloodlines!

## SWEDEN AND DENMARK

Sweden has a very strong tradition of Polish breeding, but also quite a few Crabbet imports:

### Stallions

KARIBA	*1956	Rifari x Moraea	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
SAMBA	*1963	Bright Shadow x Simra	<i>100% Crabbet</i>
IBN EL HAMRA	*1965	Bright Shadow x Indian Trinket	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
MY SHADOW	*1967	Bey Shadow x Myrilla	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
RED BARON	*1976	Fancy Shadow x Kathini	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>

### Mares

YATEEMAH	*1954	Blue Domino x Salinas	<i>100% Crabbet</i>
SALAGA	*1957	Shifari x Arabian Dawn	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
INDIAN TRINKET	*1958	Crystal Fire x Sapphire	<i>100% Crabbet</i>
FARISSLA	*1960	Count Orlando x Farette	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
INDIAN SHADE	*1961	Indian King x Dancing Shadow	<i>100% Crabbet</i>
NOUREENA	*1962	Greatheart x Nouronihar	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
DONHUE KING DAWN'S KISS	*1965	Kingsholme Robin x Kingsholme Dawn	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
SILVER DOVE	*1965	Ludo x Yemama	<i>100% Crabbet</i>
ORENA	*1966	Oran x Reema	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
VELISA OF YEOMANS	*1968	Marengo x Doniazad	<i>Crabbet/OE</i>
CRYSTAL HAZE	*1968	General Grant x Comforts Caravel	<i>100% Crabbet</i>

Kariba, the first of the imports, still has a line today through his son Ghazal, out of Yateemah (Blue Domino x Salinas) and Ghazal's son Gimmick, out of Galadriel (Red Baron x Indra). There is a

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small, but loyal group of pan-Scandinavian Crabbet enthusiasts. There are also some 100% Crabbet horses in Denmark and Sweden, courtesy of Moulton Millenium (Winged Saint x Latihfah), who was imported to Denmark by Gunilla Schliemann. His pure Crabbet offspring, including some in Sweden, compete in endurance.

Please also see The Crabbet Influence in Belgium, Holland, Germany and France.