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(R5) 19:25 KILLARNEY, 1m 3f 35y

Irish Stallion Farms EBF Median Auction (C & G) Maiden (Class) (3YO only)

No(Dr)	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1 (7)		8	CHATEAU MUSAR 28 b g Morpheus - Gilded Truffle	39-7	G P Halpin J Geoghegan	-
2 (8)		0	EBENDI 35 ch g Le Havre - Ebalista	3 9 - 7p1	O J Orr D K Weld	-
3 (3)	M	0	HIGHPOINT WARRIOR (USA) 185 b c Warrior's Reward - Fly Again	3 9 - 7t1	C D Hayes J A Stack	-
4 (1)	Y	8334-7	LONGCLAW (USA) 28 BF b c Kitten's Joy - Secret Union	3 9 - 7p1	D P McDonogh G Elliott	89
5 (2)	*	6	MAN RIVER 26 b g Anjaal - Safiya Song	39-7	S Foley Jack W Davison	-
6 (5)	****		ORCHESTRAL RAIN b g Born To Sea - Musical Rain	39-7	L F Roche W McCreery	-
7 (9)			POETS TOUCH (GB) b g Poet's Voice - Billowing	39-7	B M Coen (3) A Slattery	-
8 (10)	**	92	PUGIN 12 b g Dutch Art - Andry Brusselles	39-7	S M Crosse (3) Joseph P O'Brien	-
9 (6)	M		SWEET WILL b g Dragon Pulse - Hallie's Comet	39-7	G F Carroll G P Cromwell	-
10 (4)			WATCHMEN (FR) b g Elvstroem - Watchful	39-7	R Coakley J M Oxx	-

ATR VERDICT: PUGIN has a long way to go to match the exploits of the horse who shared his name in the early noughties. A dual Listed winner for John Oxx, that Pugin finished second to the great Vinnie Roe in the St Leger at the Curragh in 2002. Back to present times and the current Pugin, who is a rare Flat runner for Gigginstown House Stud, looks well capable of claiming this extended mile and three contest. Ninth on his debut at Roscommon, he came in for plenty of market support on his most recent start at Leopardstown, battling gamely before going down by a length to Aesop. Longclaw finished ahead of the selection when they met at Roscommon, but that was in truth a disappointing effort from the Gordon Elliott-trained bay. His third place finish behind subsequent Group 1 winners Alpine Star and Santiago at Galway last August reads excellently now, and if he can rediscover that form he should prove hard to beat in first time cheekpieces. Watchmen and Orchestral Rain look the most interesting of the newcomers, while Ebendi is another who could make an impact.

Top Tip: PUGIN (8)

Watch out for: LONGCLAW (4)







