

## Two New Viking Reds- Flame n Hel

Two new exciting Red sires have come to the fore which are available for the Spring joining.

**VR Hel P (g)** (VR Helix x Prastgard x O Brolin) is a polled heterozygote genomic sire. Hel P's sire line is VR Helix x Prastaboda x O Brolin. Helix is a son of R Haslev and has very high scores for feet and legs and udder with a strong profile for production and health as well.

The dam sire Nora Prastgard was by Lien from a Botans cow and the grand dam is an O Brolin cow.

VR Hel P has proven lines that have performed well her in O Brolin, Haslev and Botans and will fit well in most herds and especially those looking for more polled genes.

Hel P's strengths are production, general health especially mastitis resistance, udders, feet and legs and milking speed. Longer teats is also a bonus. Semen of VR Hel P is already available in Australia.



VR Hel P

**VR Flame (proven)** (V Foske x Gunnarstorp x O Brolin) is no stranger to our shores as he was used here as a genomic sire from the Spring of 2013 which means that daughters are coming into production now.

VR Flame has now a proof in Scandinavia with 279 daughters in 255 herds and has risen to the top of the proven list with an NTM of +26. This is impressive as his NTM was +25 five years ago and taking into account on average the NTM scores on sires will drop 3-4 NTM points per annum, he has performed above expectations.

VR Flame is a son of the great V Foske who just keeps on kicking goals! 1 700 doses of VR Flame went into Australian herds so we are hoping for the first time in history a bull will be achieving a proof in Scandinavia and Australia at almost the same time.

VR Flame combines some top shelf genetics from the dam's side with Gunnarstorp and the grand dam is by O Brolin. We are utilising Gunnarstorp genes maternally here as he was a supersire for fertility, birth, hoof health, udders and feet and legs.

VR Flame now as a proven sire has a BPI of 255 (increased from BPI 70 as a genomic sire). (Note: visit our website [www.vikinggenetics.com.au](http://www.vikinggenetics.com.au) to understand Viking Red genomic sires converted to BPI).

VR Flame daughters are high producing with very good milk and components. Health traits are good and he is a calving ease sire as well. Udders are similar to Foske and he has better feet and legs than his sire. VR Flame daughters will be a little smaller through the body than Foske but breed higher production cows. He will work well on cows that are big or thick and need a production boost.

Semen of VR Flame will be available in Australia in end of August.



VR Flame and a VR Flame daughter.

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