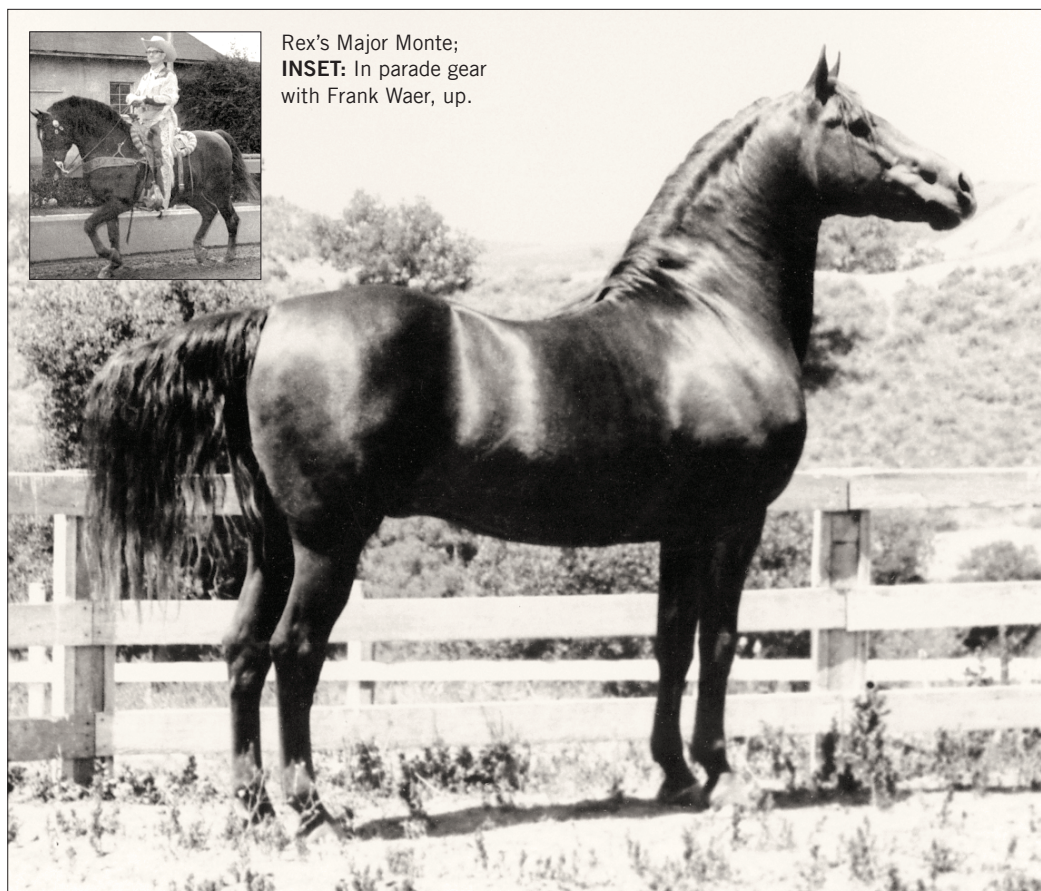


# Rex's Major Monte 9996

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Rex's Major Monte;  
**INSET:** In parade gear  
with Frank Waer, up.

**Rex's Major Monte 9996**  
(Monte L 8423 x Lana 05744) •  
Dark red chestnut, star, 15 hands,  
1,100 lbs • **Foaled:** March 18,  
1948, Costa Mesa, California •  
**Bred by:** Mr. & Mrs. T. R. Rex  
• **Owned by:** Frieda & Frank  
Wellington Waer • **Died:** circa  
1975, Orange, California • 50  
percent Government; 25 percent  
Brunk; 25 percent Working  
Western Family • 30 crosses to  
Ethan Allen 50; 15 crosses to  
Seeley's American Star 75; Ten  
crosses to Hale's Green Mountain  
Morgan 42; Six crosses to General  
Gates 66 (through three sons  
Bennington, Linsley & Red Oak,  
and two daughters, Eleanor Gates  
& Gertrude • **Eight generation  
coefficient of inbreeding:**  
3.37638854980469 percent •  
**Registered Morgan progeny:** 82

I liked Rex's Major Monte from the moment he was born—the way he acted, the way he showed off. He would pose from the time he was a baby just like he posed as an adult.” (Frieda Waer, “The Way It Was,” *The Morgan Horse*, November 2000, p. 18).

“He [Rex's Major Monte] has an exceptionally good head and neck, strong back and well muscled quarters, and his action, carriage and disposition are typically Morgan.” (Neal & Pat Werts, “Western Trip,” *The Morgan Horse*, January/February 1958, p. 10).

Rex's Major Monte “is from a long line of ancestors rich in beauty, stamina, and good will toward men. Many people comment on his striking resemblance to Justin Morgan and his picture has been used many times in books and magazines and in agricultural colleges to demonstrate the model Morgan.” (Linda L. Ford, *The Morgan Horse World of Frank Wellington Waer: an Autobiography of Frank Wellington Waer as told to Linda L. Ford*, Self-published, 1978).

Rex's Major Monte was himself an important stallion in the

foundation of the Western Working Morgan. Laura Stillwell said of Major Monte: “Rex's Major Monte [Monte L. x Lana] sired many horses that have done well at shows and in the breeding ranks. He showed at halter 65 times and was champion 47 times, sometimes being beaten by his sons. Ridden by Frank Waer, he was a popular parade horse. The Southern California Morgan world was dominated for many years by the Waers and their horses. Horses with the Waer prefix and their descendants can be found all across the United States.” (Laura Algranti).

In August 1964 Rex's Major Monte appeared on the front cover of *The Morgan Horse*. “Monte was named as important sire for and can be found in the pedigrees of the Quarter Horse breed.” (Christian Heidorf, “Significant Morgan Stallions,” Facebook, March 11, 2019).

Monte's get are sport horses, show horses and working ranch horses in Australia, Canada, Guatemala, Mexico, and the United States. ■