



Isabelle



Ribbon tailed Ash red



Light Andalusian Swift

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Hello everyone,

I promised to send info on the Arabian Trumpeters. The information and pictures I am transmitting are available because of the help of Layne Gardner, Joe Powers, Gary Young, and Axel Sell.

First let me say that even though the main interest seems to be about the coloration called Atlas; there are more colors than this. Almost all Arabians are basically Blue bar plus smoky and/or Dirty.

From a German booklet sent to me by Joe Powers titled "Araber-journal" concerning the Arabians at shows in 2003. A total of 462 Arabians were shown at Hannover, Koln, Duisburg, and the national at Sinsheim.

These were 196 White, 27 Black, 13 Blue bar, 12 Blue Check, 18 red Atlas, 42 yellow Atlas, 14 Ash red, 63 Ash yellow, 9 recessive reds, 7 Black and white pied, 29 Blue and white pied, 6 Ash red pied, 22 Ash yellow pied, and 4 AOC.

Now down to the nitty gritty – As I said above most Arabians (that I have seen) are various Blue bar with smoky and/or Dirty as the base coloration. These come in a multitude of phenotypes depending upon what else is in the mix. Brown is also in the mix as is recessive red.

Arabian Trumpeters:



smoky blue bar



red Atlas



red Atlas



yellow Atlas



red Atlas plus light head



red Atlas plus light head (2)



Mosaic Atlas



Dirty Brown Atlas plus light head

The difference between a Blue bar Arabian and an Atlas is some type of bronze, which bronze I do not know. Also what causes the light head feature, is unknown. I had one that had a yellow head and red Atlas body which when 3 years old, the head turned white. I also have a yellow head, yellow Atlas that I got from Joe Powers that has three yellowed feathers in the tail. The color of the Atlas coloration varies quite a bit and sometimes one is not sure if it should be called red or yellow Atlas.

I am not sure that the bird labeled red Atlas plus light head (2) should be called an Atlas but rather is just a Blue bar smoky light head.

The Mosaic looks like it probably is a brown rather than a blue.

I hope the pictures help those of you that wonder what an Atlas looks like.

Best regards,
Paul G.