

## AltaBERLAGE, The #1 Laudan-son in the world !

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Wilmers [AltaBERLAGE](#) is a very unique proven bull on the Alta marketing list. Besides the fact that he is the leading Laudan son for TPI in the world, he also does not have O-Man, Shottle, Goldwyn or BW Marshall in the pedigree. The maternal line is the Wilmers Betsie family, a family that can be characterized as high producing and long lasting cows.



**Wilmers AltaBERLAGE 11HO09951**

Former Future Star AltaBERLAGE is a true health and production bull. He has 97 daughters in his April production proof and is one of the few proven bulls that hit the 600 Net Merit barrier. His strengths make him very easy to use for every commercial dairy farmer;

- Highest LAUDAN son in the world
- Great Outcross bull
- ConceptPlus (with > 10.000 recorded services)
- 6% SCE (with > 1.300 observations)
- +5.4 Productive Life
- 2.82 SCS

Being a former Future Star makes him already over 97% reliable for ConceptPlus and Calving Ease and he will have milking daughters in additional countries in early 2012. The sire of this outcross bull is Laudan (Lukas x Raider), who has over 50.000 milking daughters globally and is still amongst the higher 2<sup>nd</sup> crop bulls in Germany. The dam of AltaBERLAGE is Wilmers Betsie 245, an Addison daughter with 4.6% fat and 3.5% protein and scored VG88 as a 2-yr-old at the Wilmers herd of the Kraaijeveld family in Ommen. Her dam is Wilmers Betsie 201 VG87 (s. Celsius), with a life time production of 132.000 kg milk with 5.0% fat and 3.5% protein (>11.000 kg F&P !). Next dam is Wilmers Betsie 188, a fancy VG85 Sunny Boy with 5.4 % fat and 3.8 % protein.

In August AltaBERLAGE will have over 100 daughters in his proof and the first calved daughters are at the end of the first lactation. We have seen most of his milking daughters now and they are very impressive and uniform as a group; well balanced, medium sized 2-yr-olds with a desirable sweep of rib and strong toplines. The rumps are wider than average and the thurl position is correct. Set of legs is ideal and the feet have a steep heel. The udders are shallow and very firmly attached, have perfect teat placement and good ligament. The rear udders are really high and wide attached. AltaBERLAGE daughters show good persistency and have good milking speed and temperament.



**AltaBERLAGE daughter TRIJNTJE**

AltaBERLAGE will work well on the daughters of O-Man sons, AltaBAXTER, AltaARMSTEAD, AltaMINISTER, AltaJAYZ and granddaughters of AltaHERSHEL, BW Marshall, Outside, Durham, Mtoto, Lucky Leo and Jocko Besne.



**AltaBERLAGE daughter TRIJNTJE**



**AltaBERLAGE daughter MAREN 22**



**AltaBERLAGE daughter LIES 507**