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Behkabad is likely to be campaigned with a tilt at the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in mind following his triumph in the Grand Prix de Paris.

Having finished fourth in the Prix du Jockey Club on his penultimate start, Jean-Claude Rouget's colt showed further progress to land Wednesday's Group One in rain-softened ground.

Georges Rimaud, racing manager for owner the Aga Khan, said: "It was a good performance and very enjoyable to watch. The horse is fine and the normal route for a horse like him now would be to go for an Arc trial, possibly the Prix Niel, and then the Arc itself."

He added: "But there is still a long way to go so we will see how it goes along the way. I don't think the ground matters to him too much. I don't think he would like it if the ground was very heavy, but that is the case with most horses."

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