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2025-26 ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, Sept. 8, 2025) – The official Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve will begin Saturday, Sept. 13 at the home of America’s greatest race as Churchill Downs stages the 44th running of the \$300,000 Iroquois (Grade III) for 2-year-olds at one mile on opening weekend of its 14-day September Meet.

The Road to the Kentucky Derby, which debuted in 2013, annually awards a sliding scale of points to the top five finishing positions in select qualifying races. At the conclusion of the series, the leaderboard will determine the preference list for entries into the 20-horse Kentucky Derby – the 1 ¼-mile classic for 3-year-old Thoroughbreds annually held on the first Saturday in May at historic Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky.

The 152nd running of the \$5 million Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (GI) is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2026.

Up to three spots in the starting gate may be reserved for international participants. In addition to the primary 36-race Road to the Kentucky Derby series, there are two separate series that carve out potential spots for international horses from Japan, Europe and the United Arab Emirates. The stand-alone Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby series, which concludes with the UAE Derby (GII), can produce up to two invitations to the top point-earners, while the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby can yield one runner.

Eight horses based in Japan have competed in the Kentucky Derby since the series debuted in 2017, including 2024 third-place finisher Forever Young (JPN).

At least 20 horses have entered the “Run for the Roses” in 24 of the last 27 years.

The 33-race Road to the Kentucky Oaks series, which awards points to fillies to qualify for the 152nd running of the \$1.5 million Longines Kentucky Oaks (GI) at 1 1/8 miles on Friday, May 1, 2026, also will begin at Churchill Downs on Sept. 13 with the \$300,000 Pocahontas (GII) at one mile.

ABOUT CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK

Churchill Downs Racetrack (“CDRT”), the world’s most legendary racetrack, has been the home of The Kentucky Derby, the longest continually held annual sporting event in the United States, since 1875. Located in Louisville, CDRT features a series of themed race days during Derby Week, including the Kentucky Oaks, and conducts Thoroughbred horse racing during three race meets in the Spring, September, and the Fall. CDRT is located on 175 acres and has a one-mile dirt track, a 7/8-mile turf track, a stabling area, and provides seating for approximately 60,000 guests. The stable area has barns sufficient to accommodate 1,400 horses and a 114-room dormitory for backstretch personnel. CDRT also has a year-round simulcast wagering facility. www.ChurchillDowns.com.

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HOW TO GET INTO THE KENTUCKY DERBY STARTING GATE – The Road to the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve is a series of races that awards points to the top five finishers in each race. The top 17 point-earners will earn a spot in the starting gate for the 152nd running of the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve (Grade I), which is scheduled for Saturday, May 2, 2026. Up to two invitations will be extended to the top point-earners in the Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky presented by Woodford Reserve and one invitation will be extended to the top point-earners in the Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve. The Kentucky Derby field has been limited to 20 starters since 1975. At least 20 horses have entered the 1 ¼-mile race for 3-year-olds in 24 of the last 27 years.

2025-26 ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY SCHEDULE: 36 RACES

Kentucky Derby Prep Season (21 Races)

Date	Race	Racetrack	Grade	Purse	Distance	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Sept. 13, 2025	Iroquois	Churchill Downs	III	\$300,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 4, 2025	Champagne	Aqueduct	I	\$500,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 4, 2025	Breeders' Futurity	Keeneland	I	\$650,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 4, 2025	American Pharoah	Santa Anita	I	\$300,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 26, 2025	Street Sense	Churchill Downs	III	\$200,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 31, 2025	Breeders' Cup Juvenile	Del Mar	I	\$2,000,000	1 1/16 M	30	15	9	6	3
Nov. 29, 2025	Kentucky Jockey Club	Churchill Downs	II	\$400,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 6, 2025	Remsen	Aqueduct	II	\$250,000	1 1/8 M	10	5	3	2	1
*Dec. 13, 2025	Los Alamitos Futurity	Los Alamitos	II	*\$200,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 20, 2025	Gun Runner	Fair Grounds	Black-Type	\$100,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 20, 2025	Remington Springboard Mile	Remington Park	Listed	\$300,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
*Jan. 3, 2026	Jerome	Aqueduct	Black-Type	*\$150,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Jan. 3, 2026	Smarty Jones	Oaklawn Park	Listed	\$250,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Jan. 17, 2026	Lecomte	Fair Grounds	III	\$250,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Jan. 31, 2026	Withers	Aqueduct	Listed	*\$250,000	1 1/8 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Jan. 31, 2026	Robert B. Lewis	Santa Anita	III	*\$200,000	1 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Jan. 31, 2026	Holy Bull	Gulfstream Park	III	*\$250,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
Jan. 31, 2026	Southwest	Oaklawn Park	III	\$1,000,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 7, 2026	Sam F. Davis	Tampa Bay Downs	III	*\$200,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 15, 2026	Sunland Derby	Sunland Park	Listed	*\$400,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 21, 2026	John Battaglia Memorial	Turfway Park	Listed	*\$175,000	1 1/16 M (AW)	20	10	6	4	2

Kentucky Derby Championship Series (15 Races)

11 WEEKS										
Feb. 14, 2026	Risen Star	Fair Grounds	II	\$500,000	1 1/8 M	50	25	15	10	5
9 WEEKS										
*Feb. 28, 2026	Gotham	Aqueduct	III	*\$300,000	1 M	50	25	15	10	5
*Feb. 28, 2026	Fountain of Youth	Gulfstream Park	II	*\$400,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
*Feb. 28, 2026	San Felipe	Santa Anita	II	*\$400,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
March 1, 2026	Rebel	Oaklawn Park	II	\$1,000,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
8 WEEKS										
*March 7, 2026	Tampa Bay Derby	Tampa Bay Downs	III	*\$400,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
7 WEEKS										
*March 14, 2026	Virginia Derby	Colonial Downs	Black-Type	*\$500,000	1 1/8 M	50	25	15	10	5
6 WEEKS										
*March 21, 2026	Jeff Ruby Steaks	Turfway Park	III	*\$777,000	1 1/8 M (AW)	100	50	25	15	10
March 21, 2026	Louisiana Derby	Fair Grounds	II	\$1,000,000	1 3/16 M	100	50	25	15	10
5 WEEKS										
*March 28, 2026	Florida Derby	Gulfstream Park	I	*\$1,000,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
March 28, 2026	Arkansas Derby	Oaklawn Park	I	\$1,500,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
4 WEEKS										
*April 4, 2026	Wood Memorial	Aqueduct	II	*\$750,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
*April 4, 2026	Blue Grass	Keeneland	I	*\$1,250,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
*April 4, 2026	Santa Anita Derby	Santa Anita	I	*\$500,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
3 WEEKS										
*April 11, 2026	Lexington	Keeneland	III	*\$400,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2

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JAPAN ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY – First staged in 2017, the “Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” is a stand-alone series that is separate from America’s “Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” series. One invitation to compete in the Kentucky Derby will be extended with preference given to the horses with the most points in the “Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” series. If a horse also qualifies through America’s “Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” series or the “Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve” series, an additional invite could be extended. If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreaker is lifetime earnings through April 11, 2026. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a “shake”). Ten horses based in Japan have run in the Kentucky Derby: Ski Captain (14th, 1995); Lani (9th, 2016); Master Fencer (JPN) (6th, 2019); Crown Pride (JPN) (13th in 2022); Derma Sotogake (JPN) (6th in 2023); Mandarin Hero (JPN) (12th in 2023); Forever Young (JPN) (3rd in 2024); T O Password (JPN) (5th in 2024); Luxor Café (12th in 2025); and Admire Daytona (JPN) (19th in 2025).

2025-26 JAPAN ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY SCHEDULE: 4 RACES

Date	Race	Racetrack	Grade	Purse	Distance	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Nov. 29, 2025	Cattleya	Tokyo (JRA)		*\$199,591	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 17, 2025	Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun	Kawasaki (NAR)		*\$469,818	1 M	20	10	6	4	2
10 WEEKS										
*Feb. 22, 2026	Hyacinth	Tokyo (JRA)	Listed	*\$244,767	1 M	30	15	9	6	3
5 WEEKS										
*March 28, 2026	Fukuryu	Nakayama (JRA)		*\$230,697	1 1/8 M	40	20	12	8	4

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EURO/MIDEAST ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY – First staged in 2018, the “Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby presented by Woodford Reserve” is a stand-alone series that is separate from America’s “Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” series. Up to two invitations to compete in the Kentucky Derby will be extended with preference given to the horses with the most points in the “Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve” series. If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreakers are earnings in non-restricted stakes races through April 11, 2026 followed by lifetime earnings through April 11, 2026. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a “shake”). Since 1967, there have been 57 horses who previously raced outside North America and ran in the Kentucky Derby. Venezuela’s Canonero II won the 1971 Derby and Puerto Rico’s Bold Forbes won the Derby in 1976. Bold Arrangement (GB), who was campaigned in Great Britain and France, finished second to Ferdinand in the 1986 renewal. Japan’s Forever Young (JPN) finished third in 2024.

2025-26 EURO/MIDEAST ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY SCHEDULE: 7 RACES

Date	Race	Racetrack	Grade	Purse	Distance	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Sept. 27, 2025	Royal Lodge	Newmarket (GB)	II	*\$157,475	1 M (T)	10	5	3	2	1
Sept. 27, 2025	Beresford	Curragh (IRE)	II	*\$120,801	1 M (T)	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 5, 2025	Qatar Prix Jean-Luc Lagardère	Longchamp (FR)	I	*\$432,977	7 F (T)	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 25, 2025	Futurity Trophy	Doncaster (GB)	I	*\$275,259	1 M (T)	10	5	3	2	1
9 WEEKS										
*Feb. 25, 2026	Road to the Kentucky Derby Condition Stakes	Kempton (GB)		*\$74,760	1 M (AW)	20	10	6	4	2
8 WEEKS										
*March 6, 2026	Patton	Dundalk (IRE)		*\$40,122	1 M (AW)	20	10	6	4	2
5 WEEKS										
March 28, 2026	UAE Derby	Meydan Racecourse	II	*\$1,000,000	1 3/16 M	100	50	25	15	10

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HOW TO GET INTO THE KENTUCKY OAKS STARTING GATE – The Road to the Kentucky Oaks is a series that awards points to the top five finishers in each race. The top 14 point-earners nominated to the Longines Kentucky Oaks will earn a spot in the starting gate for the 152nd running of the Longines Kentucky Oaks (Grade I), which is scheduled for Friday, May 1, 2026. The 1 1/8-mile Oaks is the nation's premier race for 3-year-old fillies. At least 14 horses have entered the race in 10 of the last 11 years (a rescheduled September 2020 is the lone exception).

2025-26 ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY OAKS SCHEDULE: 33 RACES

Kentucky Oaks Prep Season (19 Races)

Date	Race	Racetrack	Grade	Purse	Distance	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Sept. 13, 2025	Pocahontas	Churchill Downs	III	\$300,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 3, 2025	Alcibiades	Keeneland	I	\$650,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 4, 2025	Frizette	Aqueduct	I	\$400,000	1 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 4, 2025	Oak Leaf	Santa Anita	II	\$200,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 26, 2025	Rags to Riches	Churchill Downs	Listed	\$200,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Oct. 31, 2025	Breeders' Cup Juv. Fillies	Del Mar	I	\$2,000,000	1 1/16 M	30	15	9	6	3
Nov. 29, 2025	Golden Rod	Churchill Downs	II	\$400,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 6, 2025	Demoiselle	Aqueduct	II	\$250,000	1 1/8 M	10	5	3	2	1
*Dec. 6, 2025	Starlet	Los Alamitos	II	*\$200,000	1 1/16 M	10	5	3	2	1
Dec. 20, 2025	Untapable	Fair Grounds	Black-Type	\$100,000	1 M 70 Y	10	5	3	2	1
*Jan. 4, 2026	Santa Ynez	Santa Anita	Listed	*\$100,000	7 F	10	5	3	2	1
*Jan. 17, 2026	Busanda	Aqueduct	Black-Type	*\$125,000	1 1/8 M	20	10	6	4	2
Jan. 17, 2026	Silverbulletday	Fair Grounds	Black-Type	\$150,000	1 M 70 Y	20	10	6	4	2
Jan. 31, 2026	Martha Washington	Oaklawn Park	Listed	\$300,000	1 1/16 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Jan. 31, 2026	Forward Gal	Gulfstream Park	III	*\$150,000	7 F	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 1, 2026	Las Virgenes	Santa Anita	III	*\$100,000	1 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 7, 2026	Suncoast	Tampa Bay Downs	Listed	*\$150,000	1 M 40 Y	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 15, 2026	Sunland Park Oaks	Sunland Park	Black-Type	*\$250,000	1 M	20	10	6	4	2
*Feb. 20, 2026	Cincinnati Trophy	Turfway Park	Black-Type	*\$175,000	1 M (AW)	20	10	6	4	2

Kentucky Oaks Championship Series (14 Races)

11 WEEKS										
Feb. 14, 2026	Rachel Alexandra	Fair Grounds	II	\$300,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
10 WEEKS										
Feb. 20, 2026	UAE Oaks	Meydan Racecourse	III	*\$217,840	1 3/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
9 WEEKS										
*Feb. 28, 2026	Busher	Aqueduct	Listed	*\$200,000	1 M	50	25	15	10	5
*Feb. 28, 2026	Davona Dale	Gulfstream Park	II	*\$200,000	1 M	50	25	15	10	5
March 1, 2026	Honeybee	Oaklawn Park	III	\$750,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
*March 1, 2026	Santa Ysabel	Santa Anita	III	*\$100,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
7 WEEKS										
*March 14, 2026	Virginia Oaks	Colonial Downs	Black-Type	*\$250,000	1 1/16 M	50	25	15	10	5
6 WEEKS										
March 21, 2026	Fair Grounds Oaks	Fair Grounds	II	\$400,000	1 1/16 M	100	50	25	15	10
*March 21, 2026	Bourbonette Oaks	Turfway Park	Listed	*\$300,000	1 1/16 M (AW)	50	25	15	10	5
5 WEEKS										
March 27, 2026	Fantasy	Oaklawn Park	II	\$1,000,000	1 1/16 M	100	50	25	15	10
*March 28, 2026	Gulfstream Park Oaks	Gulfstream Park	II	*\$250,000	1 1/16 M	100	50	25	15	10
4 WEEKS										
*April 3, 2026	Ashland	Keeneland	I	*\$750,000	1 1/16 M	100	50	25	15	10
*April 4, 2026	Gazelle	Aqueduct	III	*\$200,000	1 1/8 M	100	50	25	15	10
*April 4, 2026	Santa Anita Oaks	Santa Anita	II	*\$200,000	1 1/16 M	100	50	25	15	10

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RTKD AND RTKO RULES

TIEBREAKERS –

- America's Road to the Kentucky Derby and Road to the Kentucky Oaks: If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreaker is earnings in non-restricted stakes races. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lifetime earnings. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a "shake").
- Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby: If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreaker is earnings in non-restricted stakes races through April 11, 2026. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lifetime earnings through April 11, 2026. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a "shake").
- Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby: If two or more horses have the same number of points, the tiebreaker is lifetime earnings through April 11, 2026. In the case of remaining ties, the additional starter(s) and/or also-eligible horses shall be determined by lot (aka a "shake").

FILLIES – If a filly wants to run in the Kentucky Derby she can, but she'll have to earn her way into the field by accumulating points against open company just like colts and geldings. Additionally, any points earned by a filly in the "Road to the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve" series against open company will be credited to her point total in the "Road to the Kentucky Oaks" series. If a filly garners an invitation to the Kentucky Derby via the "Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky" or "Japan Road to the Kentucky," ownership may opt to instead use that invitation to the Kentucky Oaks.

FIELD SIZE – In the event a Championship Series race is run with a five-horse field, only 75% of the points will be proportionally awarded. In the event a (Championship Series) race is run with a four-horse field or less, only 50% of the points will be proportionally awarded.

DEAD-HEATS – In the event of a dead-heat (tie) those horses will divide equally the points they would have received jointly had one beaten the other.

SPLIT DIVISIONS – In the event a race is split into divisions and each division awards its originally published purse money, points will be awarded as scheduled for each division. If the originally published purse is reduced for each division, points will be reduced proportionally as well.

LASIX – Points will only be awarded to horses who compete on race day without Furosemide (often referred to by the brand name, Lasix) in Road to the Kentucky Derby and Road to the Kentucky Oaks races. Any points earned by horses with Lasix on race day will be vacated. The 2021 Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks marked the first year those races were run without the permitted use of Lasix.

MEDICATION VIOLATIONS – If the connections of a horse have been notified by a regulatory body about a medication violation from participation in a Road to the Kentucky Derby or Road to the Kentucky Oaks race, and that violation would result in disqualification, any accrued points from the race will be revoked until the matter reaches a legal conclusion. Accrued points will be reinstated if the matter is legally overturned prior to the running of the Kentucky Derby or Kentucky Oaks.

DERBY/OAKS TRAINER SUSPENSION – Points from any race in the Road to the Kentucky Derby or Kentucky Oaks will not be awarded to any horse trained by any individual who is suspended from racing in the 2026 Kentucky Derby or 2026 Kentucky Oaks or any trainer directly or indirectly employed, supervised, or advised by a suspended trainer. Should a horse trained by a suspended trainer, or any trainer directly or indirectly employed, supervised, or advised by a suspended trainer, finish in a position that would have earned points in a Road to the Kentucky Derby or Kentucky Oaks race, the points associated with that finish position will be vacated.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY LEADERBOARD HISTORY – FINAL

2025 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Burnham Square (130), 2. Sandman (129), 3. Journalism (122.5), 4. Rodriguez (121.25), 5. Tiztastic (119), 6. **Sovereignty** (110), 7. Final Gambit (100), 8. Coal Battle (95), 9. Chunk of Gold (75), 10. Citizen Bull (71.25), 11. Owen Almighty (65), 12. East Avenue (60, \$612,500), 13. Publisher (60, \$355,000), 14. American Promise (55), 15. Flying Mohawk (50, \$156,800), 16. Grande (50, \$140,000), 17. Neoequos (40), 18. Render Judgment (39), 19. Luxor Café (Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Invite), 20. Admire Daytona (JPN) (Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby Invite) and AE 21. Baeza (37.5)

2024 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Sierra Leone (155), 2. Fierceness (136), 3. Catching Freedom (125, \$802,000), 4. Stronghold (125, \$742,800), 5. Resilience (110), 6. Forever Young (JPN) (100, \$1,769,919), 7. Endlessly (100, \$658,000), 8. Dornoch (75, \$472,375), 9. Just a Touch (75, \$247,500), 10. Track Phantom (70), 11. West Saratoga (67), 12. Just Steel (65, \$628,295), 13. Honor Marie (65, \$448,455), 14. Domestic Product (60), 15. Catalytic (50, \$186,000), 16. Society Man (50, \$141,875), 17. **Mystik Dan** (46), 18. Encino (40, \$323,136), 19. Grand Mo the First (40, \$164,250), 20. T O Password (JPN) (Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Invite), AE 21. Epic Ride (35), and AE 22. Mugatu (14).

2023 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Forte (190), 2. Practical Move (160), 3. Angel of Empire (154), 4. Tapit Trice (150), 5. Two Phil's (123), 6. Lord Miles (105), 7. Derma Sotogake (JPN) (100, \$1,112,319), 8. Kingsbarns (100, \$600,000), 9. Raise Cain (64), 10. Rocket Can (60, \$284,025), 11. Hit Show (60, \$277,500), 12. Confidence Game (57), 13. Verifying (54, \$369,750), 14. Sun Thunder (54, \$181,500), 15. **Mage** (50), 16. Disarm (46), 17. Reincarnate (45, \$263,250), 18. Jace's Road (45, \$200,350), 19. Skinner (45, \$174,500), 20. Continuar (JPN) (Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Invite), AE 21. Cyclone Mischief (45, \$137,525), AE 22. Mandarin Hero (JPN) (40, \$339,041); and AE 23. King Russell (40, \$227,500).

2022 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Epicenter (164), 2. Zandon (114), 3. White Abarrio (112, \$769,650), 4. Mo Donegal (112, \$561,500), 5. Tiz the Bomb (110), 6. Cyberknife (100, \$1,012,610), 7. Crown Pride (JPN) (100, \$752,000), 8. Taiba (100, \$671,544), 9. Simplification (74), 10. Smile Happy (70), 11. Classic Causeway (66), 12. Tawny Port (60), 13. Barber Road (58), 14. Messier (40, \$390,000), 15. Zozos (40, \$200,000, \$291,200), 16. Summer Is Tomorrow (40, \$200,000, \$267,606), 17. Charge It (40, \$188,000), 18. Happy Jack (30), 19. Pioneer of Medina (25), 20. Ethereal Road (22), AE 21. **Rich Strike** (21) and AE 22 Rattle N Roll (20).

2021 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Essential Quality (140), 2. Hot Rod Charlie (110), 3. Super Stock (109), 4. Like the King (104), 5. Known Agenda (102), 6. Rock Your World (100, \$510,000), 7. Bourbonic (100, \$400,000), 8. Medina Spirit (74), 9. Midnight Bourbon (66), 10. **Mandaloun** (52), 11. Highly Motivated (50, \$271,000), 12. Helium (50, \$255,492), 13. Soup and Sandwich (40, \$161,000), 14. Dynamic One (40, \$140,000), 15. Sainthood (40, \$47,500), 16. Hidden Stash (32), 17. O Besos (25), 18. King Fury (20), 19. Keepmeinmind (18) and 20. Brooklyn Strong (10).

2020 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Tiz the Law (372), 2. **Authentic** (200), 3. Honor A. P. (140), 4. Ny Traffic (110), 5. King Guillermo (90), 6. Thousand Words (83), 7. Max Player (60), 8. Enforceable (43), 9. Major Fed (38), 10. Storm the Court (36), 11. Attachment Rate (35), 12. Sole Volante (30), 13. Finnick the Fierce (25), 14. Winning Impression (20), 15. South Bend (18), 16. Necker Island (14), 17. Mr. Big News (0, \$129,500) and 18. Money Moves (0, \$0, \$67,400).

2019 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Tacitus (150), 2. Omaha Beach (137.5), 3. Vekoma (110), 4. Plus Que Parfait (104), 5. Roadster (100, \$636,000), 6. By My Standards (100, \$600,000), 7. Maximum Security (100, \$582,800), 8. Game Winner (85), 9. Code of Honor (74), 10. Haikal (70), 11. Improbable (65), 12. War of Will (60), 13. Long Range Toddy (53.5), 14. Tax (52), 15. Cutting Humor (50, \$462,467), 16. Win Win Win (50, \$220,000), 17. **Country House** (50, \$220,000), 18. Gray Magician (41), 19. Spinoff (40, \$224,000), 20. Master Fencer (JPN) (Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby Invite) and AE 21. Bodexpress (40, \$188,000).

2018 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Magnum Moon (150), 2. Good Magic (134), 3. Audible (110, \$803,520), 4. Noble Indy (110, \$640,000), 5. Vino Rosso (107), 6. Bolt d'Oro (104), 7. Enticed (103), 8. Mendelssohn (100, \$1,947,299), 9. **Justify** (100, \$600,000), 10. Flameaway (70), 11. Solomini (54, \$716,000), 12. Bravazo (54, \$359,913), 13. My Boy Jack (52, \$622,000), 14. Promises Fulfilled (52, \$266,480), 15. Free Drop Billy (44), 16. Lone Sailor (42), 17. Hofburg (40), 18. Firenze Fire (39), 19. Combatant (32), 20. Instilled Regard (29) and AE 21. Blended Citizen (22).

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2017 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Girvin (150), 2. Classic Empire (132), 3. Gormley (125), 4. Irap (113), 5. Irish War Cry (110), 6. Thunder Snow-IRE (100, \$1,621,063), 7. **Always Dreaming** (100, \$589,000), 8. Gunnevera (84), 9. Practical Joke (74), 10. J Boys Echo (63), 11. State of Honor (62), 12. Tapwrit (54), 13. Hence (50, \$401,429), 14. Fast and Accurate (50, \$320,712), 15. McCracken (40, \$385,048), 16. Battle of Midway (40, \$224,000), 17. Patch (40, \$200,000), 18. Untrapped (34), 19. Lookin At Lee (32), 20. Sonneteer (30, \$236,000), AE 21. Royal Mo (30, \$213,000) and AE 22. Master Plan (20).

2016 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Gun Runner (151), 2. **Nyquist** (130), 3. Exaggerator (126), 4. Outwork (120), 5. Brody's Cause (114), 6. Creator (110), 7. Lani (100), 8. Mor Spirit (84), 9. Mohaymen (80), 10. Danzing Candy (60), 11. Destin (51), 12. Suddenbreakingnews (50, \$637,000), 13. Oscar Nominated (50, 321,360), 14. Shagaf (50, \$270,000), 15. Whitmore (44, \$400,000), 16. Tom's Ready (44, \$270,670), 17. My Man Sam (40, \$200,000), 18. Majesto (40, \$190,000, \$239,500), 19. Trojan Nation (40, \$190,000, \$213,290), 20. Mo Tom (32, \$268,326), AE 21. Laoban (32, \$142,000) and AE 22. Cherry Wine (25, \$145,000).

2015 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. International Star (171), 2. Dortmund (170), 3. Carpe Diem (164), 4. **American Pharoah** (160), 5. Frosted (113), 6. Mubtaahij-IRE (100, \$1,400,000), 7. Materiality (100, \$632,028), 8. El Kabeir (95), 9. Upstart (76), 10. Far Right (62), 11. Itsaknockout (60), 12. Firing Line (58), 13. Danzig Moon (45), 14. War Story (44), 15. Tencendur (41), 16. Stanford (40), 17. Mr. Z (34), 18. Ocho Ocho Ocho (30, \$760,250), 19. Bolo (30, \$214,980), 20. Keen Ice (22), AE 21. Frammento (20) and AE 22. Tale of Verve (0).

2014 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. **California Chrome** (150), 2. Vicar's in Trouble (120), 3. Dance With Fate (108), 4. Wicked Strong (102), 5. Samraat (100, \$640,000), 6. Danza (100, \$620,000), 7. Hoppertunity (95), 8. Intense Holiday (93), 9. Wildcat Red (90), 10. We Miss Artie (60), 11. Ride On Curlin (55), 12. Chitu (54), 13. Tapiture (52), 14. General a Rod (40, \$240,000), 15. Medal Count (40, \$226,500), 16. Candy Boy (30), 17. Uncle Sigh (24), 18. Vinceremos (20, \$191,666), 19. Harry's Holiday (20, \$152,622), 20. Commanding Curve (20, \$104,000) and AE 21. Pablo Del Monte (20, \$102,000).

2013 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. **Orb** (150, \$840,000), 2. Verrazano (150, \$810,000), 3. Goldencents (129), 4. Java's War (122), 5. Overanalyze (110, \$908,381), 6. Revolutionary (110, \$720,000), 7. Lines of Battle (100), 8. Vyjack (70), 9. Will Take Charge (60), 10. Itsmyluckyday (50, \$593,600), 11. Black Onyx (50, \$317,130), 12. Palace Malice (50, \$200,000), 13. Normandy Invasion (44, \$258,000), 14. Frac Daddy (44, \$240,596), 15. Mylute (42), 16. Oxbow (36), 17. Falling Sky (30), 18. Charming Kitten (20), 19. Golden Soul (14), 20. Giant Finish (10) and AE 21. Fear the Kitten (6).

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2025 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Quietside (168), 2. La Cara (151.75), 3. **Good Cheer** (145), 4. Five G (125), 5. Ballerina d'Oro (116.25), 6. Tenma (108), 7. Early On (75), 8. Take Charge Milady (70, \$336,875), 9. Simply Joking (70, \$288,000), 10. Bless the Broken (67.5), 11. Drexel Hill (57), 12. Fondly (50, \$150,000), 13. Anna's Promise (50, \$55,000) and 14. Quickick (34).

2024 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Tarifa (150), 2. Where's My Ring (125), 3. Power Squeeze (120), 4. Leslie's Rose (115), 5. **Thorpedo Anna** (105), 6. Just F Y I (90), 7. Gin Gin (66), 8. Fiona's Magic (60), 9. Regulatory Risk (55), 10. Tapit Jenallie (54, \$216,725), 11. Everland (54, \$185,000), 12. Lemon Muffin (50, \$228,750), 13. Into Champagne (50, \$124,360), 14. Ways and Means (50, \$108,000), AE 15. Our Pretty Woman (50, \$80,000), and AE 16. Candied (34).

2023 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Wet Paint (170), 2. Affirmative Lady (110), 3. Defining Purpose (107), 4. **Pretty Mischievous** (103), 5. Southlawn (100, \$242,464), 6. Promisheer America (100, \$137,500), 7. And Tell Me Nolies (70, \$420,000), 8. Botanical (70, \$268,560), 9. Dorth Vader (70, \$214,405), 10. Gambling Girl (61), 11. The Alys Look (54), 12. Flying Connection (50, \$275,900), 13. Mimi Kakushi (50, \$180,186), 14. Wonder Wheel (48, \$1,508,765), AE 15. Taxed (48, \$159,438), AE 16. Julia Shining (46) and AE 17. Hoosier Philly (45).

2022 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Kathleen O. (150), 2. Echo Zulu (130), 3. Nest (120), 4. Yuugiri (114), 5. Desert Dawn (108), 6. Nostalgic (101), 7. Venti Valentine (94), 8. **Secret Oath** (80), 9. Goddess of Fire (62), 10. Turnerloose (60), 11. Hidden Connection (57), 12. Cocktail Moments (52), 13. Candy Raid (51), 14. Shahama (50) and AE 15. Beguine (40).

2021 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Search Results (150), 2. Travel Column (132), 3. Crazy Beautiful (128), 4. Pauline's Pearl (120), 5. **Malathaat** (110), 6. Clairiere (94), 7. Will's Secret (80), 8. Millefeuille (44), 9. Moraz (42), 10. Ava's Grace (40, \$138,000), 11. Pass the Champagne (40, \$80,000), 12. Maracuja (40, \$50,000), 13. Competitive Speed (30) and 14. Coach (26).

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2020 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Swiss Skydiver (450), 2. Speech (160), 3. **Shedaresthedevel** (90), 4. Donna Veloce (62), 5. Gamine (50, \$330,000), 6. Hopeful Growth (50, \$135,000), 7. Tempers Rising (47), 8. Dream Marie (35) and 9. Bayerness (8).

2019 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Bellafina (132), 2. Champagne Anyone (113), 3. Street Band (105), 4. Lady Apple (100, \$336,000), 5. Out for a Spin (100, \$300,000), 6. Liora (71), 7. Restless Rider (62), 8. **Serengeti Empress** (60, \$313,270), 9. Motion Emotion (60, \$140,000), 10. Jaywalk (55), 11. Chocolate Kisses (51, \$157,000), 12. Jeltrin (51, \$128,720), 13. Positive Spirit (50), 14. Flor de la Mar (40, \$80,000), AE 15. Dunbar Road (40, \$49,500) and AE 16. Point of Honor (20).

2018 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Midnight Bisou (160), 2. **Monomoy Girl** (154), 3. Sassy Sienna (115), 4. My Miss Lilly (112), 5. Chocolate Martini (100, \$240,000), 6. Coach Rocks (100, \$145,700), 7. Rayya (90), 8. Wonder Gadot (84), 9. Eskimo Kisses (80), 10. Take Charge Paula (70), 11. Patrona Margarita (35), 12. Classy Act (30), 13. Heavenhasmynikki (11) and 14. Kelly's Humor (8).

2017 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Farrell (170), 2. Miss Sky Warrior (160), 3. Ever So Clever (106), 4. Sailor's Valentine (100, \$307,014), 5. Paradise Woods (100, \$240,000), 6. Salty (100, \$150,350), 7. **Abel Tasman** (70), 8. Daddys Lil Darling (60), 9. Tequilita (50, \$227,540), 10. Lockdown (50, \$120,000), 11. Wicked Lick (49), 12. Vexatious (40, \$80,000), 13. Jordan's Henny (40, \$66,410), 14. Mopotism (16) and AE 15. Summer Luck (11).

2016 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Terra Promessa (150), 2. Lewis Bay (130), 3. Land Over Sea (128), 4. Weep No More (100, \$340,000), 5. Go Maggie Go (100, \$151,900), 6. **Cathryn Sophia** (80), 7. Mo d'Amour (70), 8. Venus Valentine (50, \$132,375), 9. Mokat (50, \$112,000), 10. Rachel's Valentina (48), 11. Royal Obsession (45), 12. Dream Dance (44), 13. Taxable (40, \$80,000), 14. Paola Queen (40, \$49,000) and 15. Dothraki Queen (20).

2015 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Condo Commando (161, \$715,000), 2. I'm a Chatterbox (161, \$430,714), 3. Stellar Wind (150), 4. Birdatthewire (130), 5. **Lovely Maria** (120), 6. Include Betty (100), 7. Oceanwave (60), 8. Angela Renee (57), 9. Sarah Sis (54), 10. Eskenformoney (50), 11. Puca (45), 12. Shook Up (40), 13. Forever Unbridled (34), 14. Money'soncharlotte (22) and AE 15. Peace and War (10).

2014 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. **Untapable** (160), 2. Sugar Shock (120), 3. Fashion Plate (110), 4. My Miss Sophia (100), 5. Rosalind (78), 6. Got Lucky (64, \$180,000), 7. Aurelia's Belle (64, \$142,850), 8. Ria Antonia (55), 9. Kiss Moon (50), 10. Fiftyshadesofgold (40), 11. Unbridled Forever (30), 12. Thank You Marylou (20) and 13. Empress of Midway (15).

2013 FINAL LEADERBOARD – 1. Beholder (164, \$1,500,000), 2. Rose to Gold (164, \$717,889), 3. Unlimited Budget (160), 4. Dreaming of Julia (132), 5. Close Hatches (100), 6. Flashy Gray (60), 7. **Princess of Sylmar** (50, \$170,000), 8. Midnight Lucky (50, \$120,000), 9. Silsita (50, \$57,600), 10. Seaneen Girl (34) and 11. Pure Fun (20).

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