

\$1 million UAE Derby (Grade II)

Euro/Mideast Road to the Kentucky Derby Series – Points: 100-60-30-15-10
 26th Running – Saturday, March 28, 2026 (5 weeks before the Kentucky Derby)
 3-Year-Olds at 1 3/16 Miles on Dirt at Meydan Race Course (Dubai, United Arab Emirates)
 Stakes & Track Record – 1:55.18, Mendelssohn (2018)

| Year (Race No.) Dis.-Track (Starters) | Winner (Sex) Owner(s) | Jockey (Weight) Trainer | Second Third | Time (Cond.) Odds (Margin) | Sire Bred (Color) | Gross Purse-Gr. Winner's Share |
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| 2026-March 28 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (11) | Wonder Dean-JPN (c) Yoshinari Yamamoto | Cristian Demuro (126) Daisuke Takayanagi | Six Speed Pyromancer-JPN | 1:59.19 (fast) (2 ½ lengths) | Dee Majesty-JPN Japan (Dk B or Br.) | \$1,000,000- Gr. II \$580,000—26 |
| 2025-April 5 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (9) | Admire Daytona-JPN (c) Junko Kondo | Christophe Lemaire (126) Yukihiko Kato | Heart of Honor-GB Don in the Mood-JPN | 1:59.13 (fast) (nose) | Drefong Japan (B.) | \$1,000,000- Gr. II \$580,000—25 |
| 2024-March 30 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (11) | Forever Young-JPN (c) Susumu Fajita | Ryusei Sakai (121) Yoshito Yahagi | Auto Bahn-ARG Pandagate | 1:57.89 (fast) (2 lengths) | Reel Steel-JPN Japan (B.) | \$1,000,000- Gr. II \$580,000—24 |
| 2023-March 25 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (13) | Derma Sotogake-JPN (c) Hiroyuki Asanuma | Christophe Lemaire (121) Hidetaka Otonashi | Dura Erede-JPN Continuar-JPN | 1:55.81 (fast) (5 ½ lengths) | Mind Your Biscuits Japan (Ch.) | \$1,000,000- Gr. II \$580,000—23 |
| 2022-March 26 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Crown Pride-JPN (c) Teruya Yoshida | Damian Lane (121) Koichi Shintani | Summer Is Tomorrow Island Falcon-IRE | 1:59.76 (fast) (2 ¾ lengths) | Reach the Crown-JPN Japan (Dk B or Br.) | \$1,000,000- Gr. II \$580,000—22 |
| 2021-March 27 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Rebel's Romance-IRE (g) Godolphin LLC | William Buick (121) Charlie Appleby | Panadol New Treasure-IRE | 1:56.28 (fast) (5 ½ lengths) | Dubawi-IRE Ireland (Dk B or Br.) | \$750,000- Gr. II \$435,000—21 |
| 2020 | No Running Due to COVID-19 Restrictions | | | | | |
| 2019-March 30 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Plus Que Parfait (c) Imperial Racing LLC | Jose Ortiz (126) Brendan Walsh | Gray Magician Manguzi-FR | 1:58.41 (fast) (¾ length) | Point of Entry Kentucky (Ch.) | \$2,500,000- Gr. II \$1,500,000—20 |
| 2018-March 31 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (9) | Mendelssohn (c) Michael Tabor, Mrs. John Magnier & Derrick Smith | Ryan Moore (126) Aidan O'Brien | f-Rayya Reride | 1:55.18 (fast) (18 ½ lengths) | Scat Daddy Kentucky (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—19 |
| 2017-March 25 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (16) | Thunder Snow-IRE (c) Godolphin Racing LLC | Christophe Soumillon (121) Saeed bin Suroor | Epicharis-JPN Master Plan | 1:57.76 (muddy) (nose) | Helmet-AUS Ireland (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—18 |
| 2016-March 26 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (7) | Lani (c) Ms. Yoko Maeda | Yutaka Take (121) Mikio Matsunaga | Polar River Yu Change-JPN | 1:58.41 (fast) (¾ length) | Tapit Kentucky (Gr or Ro.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—17 |
| 2015-March 28 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (10) | Mubtaahij-IRE (c) Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum | Christophe Soumillon (121) Mike de Kock | Maftool Golden Barows | 1:58.35 (fast) (8 lengths) | Dubawi-IRE Ireland (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—16 |
| 2014-March 29 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (12) | Toast of New York (c) Mike Buckley | Jamie Spencer (121) Jamie Osborne | Asmar-IRE Emirates-Flyer-GB | 1:57.92 (Tapeta) (2 ½ lengths) | Thewayyouare Kentucky (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—15 |
| 2013-March 30 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (12) | Lines of Battle (c) Joseph Allen, Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith | Ryan Moore (121) Aidan O'Brien | Elleval-IRE Secret Number-GB | 2:02.05 (Tapeta) (1 ½ lengths) | War Front Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—14 |
| 2012-March 31 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Daddy Long Legs (c) Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith | Colm O'Donoghue (121) Aidan O'Brien | Yang Tse Kiang-FR Wrote-IRE | 1:58.35 (Tapeta) (1 ½ lengths) | Scat Daddy Kentucky (Ch.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—13 |
| 2011-March 26 (4th) 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Khawlah-IRE (f) Godolphin Racing LLC | Mickael Barzalona (116) Saeed bin Suroor | Master of Hounds Mahbooba-AUS | 1:58.83 (Tapeta) (nose) | Cape Cross-IRE Ireland (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—12 |
| 2010-March 27 (2nd) 1 3/16 Miles-Mey (14) | Musir-AUS (4c) Sh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum | Christophe Soumillon (131) Mike de Kock | Raihana-AUS Mendip | 1:57.44 (Tapeta) (1 ¾ lengths) | Redoute's Choice-AUS Australia (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—11 |
| 2009-March 28 (3rd) 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (12) | Regal Ransom (c) Godolphin Racing LLC | Alan Garcia (120) Saeed bin Suroor | Desert Party Soy Libriano-ARG | 1:50.00 (fast) (1/2 length) | Distorted Humor Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—10 |
| 2008-March 29 (3rd) 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (10) | Honour Devil-ARG (4c) Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum | Johnny Murtagh (130) Mike de Kock | Royal Vintage-SAF Cocoa Beach-CHI | 1:48.60 (fast) (4 ¼ lengths) | Honour and Glory Argentina (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—9 |
| 2007-March 31 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (13) | Asiatic Boy-ARG (4c) Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum | Weichong Marwing (130) Mike de Kock | Jack Junior Adil-KSA | 1:48.82 (fast) (9 ½ lengths) | Not for Sale-ARG Argentina (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—8 |
| 2006-March 25 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (13) | Discreet Cat (c) Godolphin Racing LLC | Frankie Dettori (121) Saeed bin Suroor | Testimony Flamme de Passion-JPN | 1:48.59 (fast) (6 lengths) | Forestry Kentucky (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—7 |
| 2005-March 26 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (12) | Blues and Royals (c) Godolphin | Kerrin McEvoy (121) Saeed bin Suroor | Marenostrum-BRZ Parole Board | 1:50.05 (fast) (12 lengths) | Honour and Glory Florida (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—6 |
| 2004-March 27 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (9) | Lundy's Liability-BRZ (4c) Stud TNT & Mrs. M. Slack | Weichong Marwing (130) Mike de Kock | Petit Paris-CHI Little Jim-ARG | 1:50.83 (fast) (¾ lengths) | Candy Stripes Brazil (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—5 |
| 2003-March 29 (3rd) 1 1/4 Miles-NAS (14) | Victory Moon-SAF (4c) Mad Syndicate | Wayne Smith (128) Mike de Kock | Songlark-GB Inamorato | 2:02.45 (fast) (1/2 length) | Al Mufti South Africa (B.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—4 |
| 2002-March 23 (3rd) 1 1/4 Miles-NAS (14) | Essence of Dubai (c) Godolphin | Frankie Dettori (119) Saeed bin Suroor | Total Impack-CHI Ibn Al Haitham-GB | 2:02.90 (fast) (1/2 length) | Pulpit Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. II \$1,200,000—3 |
| 2001-March 24 (3rd) 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (14) | Express Tour (c) Godolphin | David Flores (122) Saeed bin Suroor | Street Cry-IRE Lido Palace-CHI | 1:47.04 (fast) (nose) | Tour d'Or Florida (Ch.) | \$2,000,000- Gr. III \$1,200,000—2 |
| 2000-March 25 1 1/8 Miles-NAS (16) | China Visit (c) Godolphin | Richard Hills (126) Saeed bin Suroor | Bachir-IRE Curule | 1:49.50 (fast) (4 ¼ lengths) | Red Ransom Kentucky (Dk. B. or Br.) | \$500,000 \$300,000—1 |

*-Favorite . . . D-Kentucky Derby winner . . . H-Horse of the Year . . . 3-Champion 3-Year-Old Male . . . @-Via disqualification

Most Wins, Jockey:
Most Wins, Trainer:
Most Wins, Owner:
Largest Win Margin:
Largest Field Size:
Smallest Field Size:
Disqualifications:
Miscellaneous:

3, Christophe Soumillon (2010, '15, '17)
 8, Saeed bin Suroor (2000-02, '05-06, '09, '11, '17)
 8, Godolphin (2000-02, '05-06, '09, '11, '21)
 18 ½ lengths, Mendelssohn (2018)
 16 (2000, '17)
 9 (2004, '18, '25)
 none

Race serves as an international springboard to the Kentucky Derby... In 17 of the 26 runnings, the winner had been saddled by either trainer Saeed bin Suroor (eight wins), Mike de Kock (six wins) or Aidan O'Brien (three wins) ... A horse from Japan has won the last five runnings (2022-26). ... The race has been won by a Southern Hemisphere 3-year-old (considered age 4 by U.S. standards) on five occasions ... The distance between Churchill Downs and Meydan Racecourse is approximately 7,400 miles.

Derby Winners from UAE Derby: 0**UAE Derby, United Arab Emirates (21-0-0-1)**

| Year (Gr.) | Horse | Prep | Derby |
|------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 2025-II | Admire Daytona (JPN) | 1 st | 19 th |
| 2024-II | Forever Young (JPN) | 1 st | 3 rd |
| 2023-II | Derma Sotogake (JPN) | 1 st | 6 th |
| 2022-II | Crown Pride (JPN) | 1 st | 13 th |
| 2022-II | Summer Is Tomorrow | 2 nd | 20 th |
| 2019-II | Plus Que Parfait | 1 st | 8 th |
| 2019-II | Gray Magician | 2 nd | 19 th |
| 2018-II | Mendelssohn | 1 st | 20 th |
| 2017-II | Thunder Snow-IRE | 1 st | DNF |
| 2016-II | Lani | 1 st | 9 th |
| 2015-II | Mubtaahij-IRE | 1 st | 8 th |
| 2013-II ^ | Lines of Battle | 1 st | 7 th |
| 2012-II ^ | Daddy Long Legs | 1 st | DNF |
| 2011-II ^ | Master of Hounds | 2 nd | 5 th |
| 2009-II | Regal Ransom | 1 st | 8 th |
| 2009-II | Desert Party | 2 nd | 14 th |
| 2003-II | Outta Here | 4 th | 7 th |
| 2002-II | Essence of Dubai | 1 st | 9 th |
| 2001-III | Express Tour | 1 st | 8 th |
| 2000 | China Visit | 1 st | 6 th |
| 2000 | Curule | 3 rd | 7 th |