



Leaderboard

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ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY

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.

Road to the Kentucky Derby Leaderboard

Rank	Horse	Points	Owner(s)	Trainer	Jockey	Barn
1	Commandment	150	Wathnan Racing (Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Than)	Brad Cox	Luis Saez	22
2	Further Ado	135	Spendthrift Farm LLC (Eric P. Gustavson)	Brad Cox	John Velazquez	22
3	Renegade	125	Robert & Lawana L. Low & Repole Stable (Mike Repole)	Todd Pletcher	Irad Ortiz Jr.	(39) Sat
4	So Happy	115	Norman Stables LLC (Robbie Norman) & Saints or Sinners (Hans & Ana Maron)	Mark Glatt	Mike Smith	(11) Tues
5	Fulleffort	110	St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola) & Starlight Racing (Jack Wolf et al)	Brad Cox	Tyler Gaffalione	22
6	The Puma	106	OGMA Investments LLC (Gustavo Delgado), JR Ranch (Ramiro Restrepo et al) & High Step Racing LLC (Randy Guy, Joe Noble, Kevin Avera, Jim Ferreira & Todd Perry)	Gustavo Delgado	Javier Castellano	42
7	Silent Tactic	100	John C. Oxley	Mark Casse	Cristian Torres	36
8	Emerging Market	100	Klaravich Stables Inc. (Seth Klarman)	Chad Brown	Flavien Prat	25
9	Albus	100	Pin Oak Stud (Dana Bernhard)	Riley Mott	Manny Franco	46
10	Potente	100	Speedway Stables LLC (Peter Fluor & K.C. Weiner)	Bob Baffert	Juan Hernandez	(33) Thur
11	Pavlovian	70	Reddam Racing LLC (J. Paul Reddam)	Doug O'Neill	Edwin Maldonado	(41) Tues
12	S-Right to Party	65	Chester Broman Sr.	Kenny McPeck	Chris Elliott	6
13	Incredibolt	60	Pin Oak Stud LLC (Dana Bernhard)	Riley Mott	Jaime Torres	46
14	Golden Tempo	60	Phipps Stable (Daisy Phipps Pulito) & St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola)	Cherie DeVaux	Jose Ortiz	(37) Sat
15	<i>Stark Contrast</i>	50	<i>Amerman Racing LLC (Mr. & Mrs. John Amerman)</i>	<i>Michael McCarthy</i>		27
16	Chief Wallabee	50	Michael & Katherine G. Ball	Bill Mott	Junior Alvarado	19
17	Chip Honcho	49	Leland Ackerley Racing LLC (Lee Ackerley), James Sherwood, Jode Shupe & John Cilia	Steve Asmussen		38
18	Danon Bourbon	Japan RTKD	Danox Co. Ltd.	Manabu Ikezoe	Atsuya Nishimura	(Q1) Thur Fri
19	Wonder Dean (JPN)	Euro/ Mideast RTKD	Yoshinari Yamamoto	Daisuke Takayanagi	Ryusei Sakai	17
20	Six Speed	Euro/ Mideast RTKD	Brunetti Dugan Stables, Black Type Thoroughbreds (Jake Ballis), Steve Adkisson, Swinbank Stables (Reagan Swinbank)	Bhupat Seemar		(Q2) Wed
21	Intrepido	38	Dutch Girl Holdings LLC (Michele Arthur) & Irving Ventures LLC (Ruben Isla)	Jeff Mullins		(41) Tues
22	Litmus Test	34	SF Racing LLC (Gavin Murphy), Starlight Racing (Jack Wolf et al), Madaket Stables LLC (Sol Kumin), Stonestreet Stables LLC (Barbara Banke), Dianne Bashor, Determined Stables (Matt Dorman), Golconda Stable (Ben Goldberg), Waves Edge Capital LLC (W. Gregg Slager) & Catherine Donovan	Bob Baffert		33
23	Great White	30	Three Chimneys Farm (Goncalo B. Torrealba) & John Ennis	John Ennis		(41) Sat
24	Ocelli	25	Ashley Durr, Anthony Tate & Front Page Equestrian LLC (Kevin Page)	Whit Beckman		35

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ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY OAKS

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).

Road to the Kentucky Oaks Leaderboard

Rank	Horse	Points	Owner(s)	Trainer	Jockey	Barn
1	Meaning	126	Bridlewood Farm (John & Leslie Malone) & Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners (Aron Wellman et al)	Michael McCarthy		(27) TBA
2	Percy's Bar	114	Hat Creek Racing (Gatewood Bell et al)	Ben Colebrook	Luan Machado	(43) TBA
3	*Bella Ballerina	110	Godolphin LLC (Sheikh Mohammed Al Maktoum et al)	Brendan Walsh	Tyler Gaffalione	(9) TBA
4	Counting Stars	100	West Point Thoroughbreds (Terry Finley et al)	Mark Casse		(36) TBA
5	Prom Queen	100	Gary & Mary West	Brad Cox	Javier Castellano	22
6	Always a Runner	100	Douglas Scharbauer & Three Chimneys Farm LLC (Goncalo B. Torrealba)	Chad Brown	Jose Ortiz	(25) TBA
7	Explora	95	Michael E. Pegram, Karl Watson & Paul Weitman	Bob Baffert	Flavien Prat	(33) TBA
8	*Zany	80	Repole Stable (Mike Repole)	Todd Pletcher		(39) TBA
9	She Be Smooth	75	Calumet Farm (Brad Kelley)	Todd Pletcher		(39) TBA
10	<i>My Miss Mo</i>	75	<i>Averill Racing LLC (Richard Averill), Mathis Stables LLC (Billy Mathis) & Tristan De Meric</i>	<i>Saffie Joseph Jr.</i>		(21) TBA
11	Search Party	67.5	Tracy Farmer	Mark Casse		(36) TBA
12	Pashmina	63	Red White and Blue Racing LLC (Randy Gullatt)	Rob Atras		(TBA) TBA
13	Paradise	62.5	NK Racing (Nancy Favreau & Kathy Psoinos) & LNJ Foxwoods (Jaime Roth)	Brad Cox		22
14	Bottle of Rouge	57.5	Natalie J. Baffert	Bob Baffert		(33) TBA
15	<i>\$-Lorelei Lee</i>	50	<i>Skeychai Racing LLC (Harvey Diamond)</i>	<i>Mike Maker</i>		44
16	Brooklyn Blonde	50	Sun-Kissed Stables & Bobby Flay	Michael McCarthy		(27) TBA
17	Dazzling Dame	40.75	Respect the Valleys LLC, Medallion Racing & Madaket Stables LLC (Sol Kumin)	Brittany Russell		(TBA) TBA
18	<i>\$-Lovely Grey</i>	35	Go Go Greys Stable LLC (Dave Portnoy)	Kelsey Danner		46
19	Nycon	33.75	Icon Racing Stable (Ken Kuykendall)	Whit Beckman		35
20	Resist	21	Military Pike Racing Stables LLC (Donald R. Todd)	Tommy Drury Jr.		18

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