



147TH RUNNING OF THE KENTUCKY DERBY

DATE: Saturday, May 1, 2021 | POST: 6:57 p.m. ET | WHERE: Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky | TV COVERAGE: 2:30 p.m. on NBC

COPING WITH COVID-19



The coronavirus pandemic postponed the 2020 edition of the Derby to September. While the race has returned to spring and fans will be in the stands, things will be a little different this year:

- Churchill Downs expects to be at 40 or 50 percent capacity in its grandstand.
- Everyone 5 years old and up should wear a face mask unless actively eating or drinking.
- All guests at the Derby will be screened with a contactless thermometer and medical questionnaire. Those with a temperature over 100 will not be admitted.

PLACE YOUR BETS



Betting on horse racing is as historic as the sport itself. Bettors can make their picks at Churchill Downs or at online betting venues such as twinspires.com.

\$122 MILLION

Ticket revenue lost during Derby Week in 2020

\$126 MILLION

Total amount wagered on the 2020 Kentucky Derby (50 percent less than 2019)

\$3 MILLION

Kentucky Derby purse guaranteed by Churchill Downs

\$1.86 MILLION

The winner's share in 2021

TOP TICKET PICKS

TOP OVERALL HORSE TO BET: Essential Quality
BEST VALUED HORSE TO BET: Hot Rod Charlie
MOST OVERHYPED HORSE: Mandaloun

IN THE RUNNING FOR THE ROSES

Twenty 3-year-old horses will compete Saturday in the 147th running of the Kentucky Derby, which is back to being the first leg of the Triple Crown.

**POST 1
KNOWN AGENDA (6-1)**
JOCKEY: Irad Ortiz Jr.
TRAINER: Todd Pletcher
STATS: 6-3-1-1

**POST 2
LIKE THE KING (50-1)**
JOCKEY: Drayden Van Dyke
TRAINER: Wesley Ward
STATS: 6-3-2-1

**POST 3
BROOKLYN STRONG (50-1)**
JOCKEY: Umberto Rispoli
TRAINER: Daniel Velazquez
STATS: 3-0-1

**POST 4
KEEPMEINMIND (50-1)**
JOCKEY: David Cohen
TRAINER: Robertino Diodoro
STATS: 1-2-1

**POST 5
SAINTHOOD (50-1)**
JOCKEY: TBA
TRAINER: Todd Pletcher
STATS: 3-1-2-0

**POST 6
O BESOS (20-1)**
JOCKEY: Marcelino Pedroza
TRAINER: Greg Foley
STATS: 5-2-0-1

**POST 7
MANDALOUN (15-1)**
JOCKEY: Florent Geroux
TRAINER: Brad Cox
STATS: 5-3-0-1

**POST 8
MEDINA SPIRIT (15-1)**
JOCKEY: John Velazquez
TRAINER: Bob Baffert
STATS: 5-2-3-0

**POST 9
HOT ROD CHARLIE (8-1)**
JOCKEY: Flavien Prat
TRAINER: Doug O'Neill
STATS: 7-2-1-2

**POST 10
MIDNIGHT BOURBON (20-1)**
JOCKEY: Mike Smith
TRAINER: Steve Asmussen
STATS: 7-2-2-3



**POST 11
DYNAMIC ONE (20-1)**
JOCKEY: Jose Ortiz
TRAINER: Todd Pletcher
STATS: 5-1-2-0

**POST 12
HELIUM (50-1)**
JOCKEY: Julien Leparoux
TRAINER: Mark Casse
STATS: 3-3-0-0

**POST 13
HIDDEN STASH (50-1)**
JOCKEY: Rafael Bejarano
TRAINER: Victoria Oliver
STATS: 7-2-1-2

**POST 14
ESSENTIAL QUALITY (2-1)**
JOCKEY: Luis Saez
TRAINER: Brad Cox
STATS: 5-5-0-0

**POST 15
ROCK YOUR WORLD (5-1)**
JOCKEY: Joel Rosario
TRAINER: John Sadler
STATS: 3-3-0-0

**POST 16
KING FURY (50-1)**
JOCKEY: Brian Hernandez Jr.
TRAINER: Kenneth G. McPeck
STATS: 3-0-0

**POST 17
HIGHLY MOTIVATED (10-1)**
JOCKEY: Javier Castellano
TRAINER: Chad Brown
STATS: 5-2-2-1

**POST 18
SUPER STOCK (30-1)**
JOCKEY: Ricardo Santana Jr.
TRAINER: Steve Asmussen
STATS: 8-2-2-2

**POST 19
SOUP AND SANDWICH (30-1)**
JOCKEY: Tyler Gaffalione
TRAINER: Mark Casse
STATS: 3-2-1-0

**POST 20
BOURBONIC (30-1)**
JOCKEY: Kendrick Carmouche
TRAINER: Todd Pletcher
STATS: 6-3-1-0

KNOW THE HORSES



DOUBLE DUTY

Known Agenda, the son of Curlin, is 2-for-2 since adding blinkers. He won the Florida Derby and could give trainer Todd Pletcher and owner Vinnie Viola another Florida Derby-Kentucky Derby double (Always Dreaming 2017).

BREAK THE STREAK?

Essential Quality is trained by Louisville's Brad Cox. No trainer from Louisville ever has won the Derby. And only two horses have won both the Breeders' Cup Juvenile and Derby — Street Sense and Nyquist.

COMING IN HOT

Hot Rod Charlie was a two-length winner in the Louisiana Derby. The only Louisiana Derby winner to win the Derby was Grindstone in 1996.



ALL IN THE FAMILY

Super Stock is trained by Steve Asmussen, co-owned by Keith Asmussen and has been ridden by Steve's son, Keith James.

JUST STARTING

Justify and Apollo are the only horses to win the Derby without racing as a 2-year-old. Soup and Sandwich will try to be the third.

SANTA ANITA PUSH

The Santa Anita Derby has produced four of the past nine Kentucky Derby winners. Rock Your World could add another, if he's not hurt by a change in jockey.



FRESH LEGS

Helium has never lost but took eight weeks off after the Tampa Bay Derby. Since 1929, no horse has won the Kentucky Derby after a layoff of more than seven weeks.

DERBY HISTORY

- Nine horses bred by Calumet Farm have won the Kentucky Derby. That's the most of any breeder.
- Six women have ridden in the Kentucky Derby but a female jockey has yet to win.
- Eleven Black jockeys rode a total of 15 Derby winners between 1875 and 1902.



▲ 112 Kentucky Derby winners, including 2020 champion Authentic, were born in Kentucky.

- 12 Kentucky Derby winners had a parent that won the Derby. The most recent is Grindstone, sired by Unbridled, in 1996.
- Johnny Longden is the only person to win the Derby as a jockey (1943) and a trainer (1969).



- ◀ 13 horses have won the Triple Crown — the Derby, Belmont and Preakness. The last was Justify (left) in 2018.
- The fastest winning time in Derby history was 1 minute, 59.40 seconds by Secretariat in 1973.
- 19 Derby winners have had names that start with the letter "S".

