



Dreams & Roses

THE ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY 2017

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The Kentucky Derby field has been limited to 20 starters since 1975. In 2014 a point system was established in a group of selected races to define the starters in the Kentucky Derby. A total of 35 qualifying races are called "The Road to the Kentucky Derby". They are divided into 19 races on "Prep-Season" and 16 races on "Championship Series". Each race awards points to the first four finishers. The Top point earners will earn a spot in the starting gate for the 143rd running of the \$2 million Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (Grade 1) on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at Churchill Downs. For 2016-17, Churchill Downs Incorporated has partnered with the Japan Racing Association to create a series of races in Japan that could annually produce a starter in the Kentucky Derby, named "Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby". One position in the Kentucky Derby starting gate will be awarded to the horse that accrues the most points in the "Japan Road to the Kentucky Derby" and accepts an invitation to compete. If the top point-earner declines, the horse with the second most points may accept and so on.

PREP SEASON (19 Races)

| Date | Race Grade (Racetrack, Location) (S) | Distance | Time | Beyer | First Four Finishers | Points | | | |
|---------|--|----------------|---------|-------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | 1 st | 2 nd | 3 rd | 4 th |
| 17Sep16 | Iroquois G2 (Churchill Downs, KY) | 1 1/16M | 1:45.22 | 86 | NOT THIS TIME - Lookin At Lee - Recruiting Ready - Honor Thy Father | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 10Oct16 | FrontRunner G1 (Santa Anita, CAL) | 1 1/16M | 1:43.57 | 93 | GORMLEY - Klimt - Straight Fire - Midnight Pleasure | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 8Oct16 | Champagne G1 (Belmont Park, NY) | 1 Mile* | 1:34.68 | 88 | PRACTICAL JOKE - Syndergaard - Favorable Outcome - Big Gray Rocke | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 8Oct16 | Breeders' Futurity G1 (Churchill Downs, KY) | 1 1/16M | 1:43.41 | 88 | CLASSIC EMPIRE - Lookin At Lee - Wild Shot - No Dozing | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 5Nov16 | Breeders' Cup Juvenile G1 (Santa Anita, CAL) | 1 1/16M | 1:42.60 | 102 | CLASSIC EMPIRE - Not This Time - Practical Joke - Looking At Lee | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 19Nov16 | Delta Downs Jackpot G3 (Delta Downs, LA) | 1 1/16M | 1:45.15 | 88 | GUNNEVERA - Hot Sean - Dangerfield - J Boys Echo | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 26Nov16 | Remsen G2 (Aqueduct, main track, NY) | 1 1/8M | 1:51.58 | 86 | MO TOWN - No Dozing - Takaful - Win With Pride | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 26Nov16 | Kentucky Jockey Club G2 (Churchill Downs, KY) | 1 1/16M | 1:44.15 | 86 | MCCRACKEN - Wild Shot - Warrior's Club - Uncontested | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 10Dec16 | Los Alamitos Futurity G1 (Los Alamitos, CA) | 1 1/16M | 1:41.56 | 91 | MASTERY - Irap - Dangerfield - Bobby Abu Dhabi | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 2Jan17 | Jerome G3 (Aqueduct, inner track, NY) | 1M 70Y | 1:46.17 | 91 | EL AREEB - Bonus Points - True Timber - Win With Pride | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 7Jan17 | Sham G3 (Santa Anita, CA) | 1 Mile | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 16Jan17 | Smarty Jones L (Oaklawn Park, AR) | 1 Mile | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 21Jan17 | Lecomte G3 (Fair Grounds, LA) | 1M 70Y | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 28Jan17 | Withers G3 (Aqueduct, inner track, NY) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 4Feb17 | Holy Bull G3 (Gulfstream Park, FLA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 4Feb17 | Robert B. Lewis G2 (Santa Anita, CA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 11Feb17 | Sam F. Davis G3 (Tampa Bay Downs, FLA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 18Feb17 | El Camino Real Derby G3 (Golden Gate, CA) (S) | 1 1/8M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| 20Feb17 | Southwest G3 (Oaklawn Park, AR) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES (16 Races)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|--|----------------|--|--|--|-----|----|----|----|
| 25Feb17 | Risen Star G2 (Fair Grounds, LA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 4Mar17 | Fountain of Youth G2 (Gulfstream Park, FLA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 4Mar17 | Gotham G3 (Aqueduct main track, NY) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 11Mar17 | Tampa Bay Derby G2 (Tampa Bay Downs, FLA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 11Mar17 | San Felipe G2 (Santa Anita, CA) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 18Mar17 | Rebel G2 (Oaklawn Park, AR) | 1 1/16M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 25Mar17 | UAE Derby G2 (Meydan Racecourse, UAE) | 1 3/16M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 25Mar17 | Spiral G3 (Turfway Park, KY) (S) | 1 1/8M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 26Mar17 | Sunland Derby G3 (Sunland Park, NM) | 1 1/8M | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |
| 1Apr17 | Louisiana Derby G2 (Fair Grounds, LA) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 1Apr17 | Florida Derby G1 (Gulfstream Park, FLA) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 8Apr17 | Wood Memorial G2 (Aqueduct, main track, NY) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 8Apr17 | Blue Grass G2 (Keeneland, KY) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 8Apr17 | Santa Anita Derby G1 (Santa Anita, CA) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 15Apr17 | Arkansas Derby G1 (Oaklawn Park, AR) | 1 1/8M | | | | 100 | 40 | 20 | 10 |
| 15Apr17 | Lexington G3 (Keeneland, KY) | 1 1/16M | | | | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 |

Schedule subject to change

(s) Synthetic Track

Distance in Miles or Mile and Yards

*One turn race

2016-17 JAPAN ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY SCHEDULE (2 Races)

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|--|---------------|--------|--|--|----|----|----|---|
| 26Nov16 | Cattleya Sho (Tokyo Racecourse) | 1 Mile | 1:37.8 | | MONT SAINT LEGAME (JPN) - Causus (JPN) - Blane Eclat - Lavapies (JPN) | 40 | 16 | 8 | 4 |
| 19Feb17 | Hyacinth (Tokyo Racecourse) | 1 Mile | | | | 50 | 20 | 10 | 5 |



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KENTUCKY DERBY 2017 POINT STANDINGS

| Pts. | Horse | Trainer | Beyer | *Earnings | Color - Sex - (Month of Birth) - Sire (Grand Sire, 2017 Fee) - Dam (Dam's Sire - 2nd Dam) |
|------|--------------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------|--|
| 30 | CLASSIC EMPIRE | Mark Casse | 102 | \$1,459,520 | B. c. (Apr) Pioneerof the Nile (Empire Maker, \$110,000) - Sambuca Classica (Cat Thief - In Her Glory) Breeder: Steven Nicholson & Brandi Nicholson (KY). Owner: John C. Oxley. (\$475,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 18 | NOT THIS TIME | Dale Romans | 102 | \$430,210 | Dk B/ Br. c. (Apr) Giant's Causeway (Storm Cat, \$75,000) - Miss Macy Sue (Trippi - Yada Yada) B: Albaugh Family Stable (KY). O: Albaugh Family Stable (Dennis Albaugh) |
| 14 | PRACTICAL JOKE | Chad Brown | 90 | \$690,000 | B. c. (Apr) Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday, \$75,000) - Halo Humor (Distorted Humor - Gilded Halo) B: Whispering Oaks (KY). O: Klaravich Stable Inc. (Seth Klarman) & William H. Lawrence. (\$135,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; \$240,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | GUNNEVERA | Antonio Sano | 88 | \$738,600 | Ch. c. (Feb) Dialed In (Mineshaft, \$15,000) - Unbridled Rage (Unbridled - Suite) B: Brandywine Farm & Stephen Upchurch (KY). O: Peacock Racing Stables LLC. (\$16,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | Lookin At Lee | Steve Asmussen | 83 | \$275,600 | B. c. (Mar) Lookin At Lucky (Smart Strike, \$17,500) - Langara Lass (Langfuhr - Capilano) B: Ray Hanson (KY). O: L and N Racing LLC (Don Nelson). (\$70,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | MASTERY | Bob Baffert | 91 | \$240,000 | Dk B/ Br. c. (May) Candy Ride (Ride The Rails, \$60,000) - Steady Course (Old Trieste - Steady Cat) B: Stone Farm (KY). O: Cheyenne Stables LLC. (\$425,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | GORMLEY | John Shirreffs | 93 | \$200,000 | B. c. (Mar) Malibu Moon (A.P. Indy, \$75,000) - Race to Urga (Bernstein - Miss Mambo) B: Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY). O: Mr. & Mrs. Jerome S. Moss (Jerry & Ann Moss). (\$150,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | MO TOWN | Tony Dutrow | 86 | \$180,000 | B. c. (Apr) Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie, \$150,000) - Grazie Mille (Bernardini - Molto Vita) B: John D. Gunter & Eurowest Bloodstock (KY). O: Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Team D. (\$200,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 10 | MCCRACKEN | Ian Wilkes | 86 | \$165,048 | B. c. (Apr) Ghostzapper (Awesome Again, \$75,000) - Ivory Empress (Seeking the Gold - Madame Pandit) B: Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). O: Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC (Janis R. Whitham) |
| 10 | EL AREEB | Cathal Lynch | 91 | \$150,000 | Gr/ro. c. (Apr) Exchange Rate (Danzig, Deceased) - Feathered Diamond (A.P. Indy - Sometimesadiamond) B: Dixiana Farms LLC (KY). O: M M G Stables (\$100,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$340,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR) |
| 6 | Wild Shot | Rusty Arnold II | 84 | \$87,200 | B. c. (Mar) Trappe Shot (Tapit, \$7,500) - Ranter (Storm Cat - Preach) B: Calumet Farm (KY). O: Calumet Farm (Brad Kelly) |
| 5 | No Dozing | Arnaud Delacour | 82 | \$85,000 | B. c. (Apr) Union Rags (Dixie Union, \$50,000) - Stay Awake (Pulpit - Mila) B: Mr. & Mrs. M. Roy Jackson (KY). O: Lael Stables (Roy & Gretchen Jackson) |
| 4 | Klimt | Art Sherman | 88 | \$380,000 | B. c. (Apr) Quality Road (Elusive Quality, \$35,000) - Inventive (Dixie Union - Original) B: Thor-Bred Stables, LLC (KY). O: Kaleem Shah Inc. (\$140,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$435,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR) |
| 4 | Hot Sean | Bob Baffert | 79 | \$180,000 | B. c. (Jan) Flatter (A.P. Indy, \$35,000) - Stormy B (Cherokee Run - Seoul) B: Brookfield Stud (KY). O: Karl Watson, Mike Pegram & Paul Weitman. (\$80,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$550,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 4 | Dangerfield | Doug O'Neill | 72 | \$168,500 | B. c. (Mar) Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday, \$75,000) - Amusingly (Distorted Humor - Maniches Slew) B: J. B. Murphy (KY). O: W. C. Racing (J. Kaplan & G. Sorgenstein) and Zayat Stables LLC (A. Zayat). (\$92,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$450,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP) |
| 4 | Syndergaard | Todd Pletcher | 81 | \$160,000 | Ch. c. (Mar) Majesticperfection (Harlan's Holiday, \$15,000) - Magic Belle (Gold Case - Magical Thinking) B: Bureson Farms (NY). O: E. Fein, C. McKenna, H. Fein, G. Singh & J. Walia. (\$92,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$450,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR) |
| 4 | Irap | Doug O'Neill | 80 | \$60,000 | B. c. (Feb) Tiznow (Cees Tizzy, \$60,000) - Silken Cat (Storm Cat - Silken Doll) B: Aaron & Marie Jones (KY). O: Reddam Racing LLC (J. Paul Reddam) |
| 4 | Bonus Points | Todd Pletcher | 73 | \$40,000 | B. c. (Mar) Majestic Warrior (A.P. Indy, Private at Japan) - Baby Love (Not For Love - Serenity Jane) B: Country Life Farm (MD). O: Three Diamonds Farm. (\$6,500 Wlg '14 EASDEC; \$35,000 Ylg '15 EASOCT; \$60,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR) |
| 2 | Straight Fire | Keith Desormeaux | 81 | \$96,000 | B. c. (Feb) Dominus (Smart Strike, \$7,500) - Tricky Indy (A.P. Indy - Bag of Tricks) (\$250,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL) B: Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). O: Jungle Racing LLC, LNJ Foxwoods, KMN Racing LLC, J. Davenport & A. Molasky |
| 2 | Favorable Outcome | Chad Brown | 78* | \$50,345 | Ch. c. (May) Flatter (A.P. Indy, \$35,000) - Shananies Song (Eltish - Shananies Presence) B: Charles T. Matses (KY). O: Klaravich Stables Inc. (Seth Klarman) & William H. Lawrence |
| 2 | Recruiting Ready | Horacio DePaz | 72 | \$43,750 | B. c. (Apr) Algorithms (Bernardini, \$7,500) - Need (Strong Hope - Trip) B: Claiborne Farm (KY). O: Sagamore Farm (Kevin Plank). (\$110,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$240,000 RNA 2yo '16 FTFMAR). |
| 2 | Takaful | Kiaran McLaughlin | 77 | \$31,500 | Dk B/ Br. c. (Feb) Bernardini (A.P. Indy, \$100,000) - Gottcha Last (Pleasant Tap - Teeba) B: Shadwell Farm, LLC (KY). O: Shadwell Stable (Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum) |
| 2 | Win With Pride | Todd Pletcher | 77 | \$22,500 | Dk B/ Br. c. (Feb) Distorted Humor (Forty Niner, \$80,000) - Love and Pride (A.P. Indy - Ile de France) B: Three Chimneys Farm LLC (KY). O: Repole Stable (Mike Repole) & St. Elias Stable (Vincent Viola). (\$450,000 Ylg '15KEESEP) |
| 2 | Warrior's Club | D. Wayne Lukas | 78 | \$18,600 | Dk B/ Br. c. (May) Warrior's Reward (Medaglia d'Oro, \$7,500) - Thirty Eighth St. (Citidancer - Thirtyeightcaliber) B: John O'Meara (KY). O: Churchill Downs Racing Club (Gary Palmisano et al). (\$25,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$47,000 RNA 2yo '16 OBSAPR) |
| 2 | True Timber | Kiaran McLaughlin | 72 | \$15,000 | B. c. (Feb) Mineshaft (A.P. Indy, \$25,000) - Queen's Wood (Tiznow - Salon Prive) B: Mr. & Mrs. Marc C Ferrell (KY). O: Calumet Farm (\$170,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV) |

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| 1 Midnight Pleasure <i>Craig Dollase</i> | 74 | \$54,000 | Dk B/ Br. c. (May) Midnight Lute (Real Quiet, \$20,000) - Platinum Preferred (Vindication - Annasan) <i>B: Roger Long (KY). O: Ruis Racing LLC (Mick Ruis Sr.) & Wendy Ruis</i> |
| 1 J Boys Echo <i>Dale Romans</i> | 75 | \$50,000 | B. c. (Apr) Mineshaft (A.P. Indy, \$25,000) - Letgomyecho (Meniffee - Echo Echo Echo) <i>B: Betz/Blackburn/J Betz/Ramsby/CNHHNK (KY). O: Albaugh Family Stables LLC (Jason Loustch)</i> |
| 1 Big Gray Rocket <i>Bob Baffert</i> | 77* | \$25,000 | Gr/ro. c. (Apr) Tapit (Pulpit, \$300,000) - Mistical Plan (Game Plan - Mistical Bel) <i>B: Blue Heaven Farm (KY). O: Frank Fletcher Racing Operations Inc. (\$450,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i> |
| 1 Bobby Abu Dhabi <i>Peter Miller</i> | 50 | \$18,000 | Ch. c. (Mar) Macho Uno (Holy Bull, \$15,000) - Wadena (Saint Ballado - Ammy Hills) <i>B: Rockingham Ranch (KY). O: Harry T. Rosenblum & Robert V. LaPenta. (\$85,000, Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$335,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR)</i> |
| 1 Honor Thy Father <i>Kenny McPeck</i> | 70 | \$16,203 | Dk B/ Br. c. (Feb) To Honor and Serve (Bernardini, \$10,000) - Hottie Dancer (Distorted Humor - Pike Place Dancer) <i>B: Jim Fitzgerald & Katie Fitzgerald (KY). O: Fern Circle Stables (Paul Fireman). (\$250,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i> |
| 1 Uncontested <i>Wayne Catalano</i> | 78 | \$9,300 | Dk B/ Br. c. (May) Tiz Wonderful (Tiznow, Private at Korea) - Galileo's Star (Lil E. Tee - June Gale) <i>B: Richard Forbush (KY). O: Harry T. Rosenblum & Robert V. LaPenta. (\$20,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i> |

*Earnings: Earnings in non-restricted stakes races. Ties broken by earnings in non-restricted stakes races.

Beyer: Best Beyer at two turns

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| Pts. | Horse | Trainer | *Earnings | Color - Sex - (Month of Birth) - Sire (Grand Sire, 2017 Fee) - Dam (Dam's Sire - 2nd Dam) |
|-----------|--|---------|-----------|--|
| 40 | MONT SAINT LEGAME (JPN) <i>Koji Maki</i> | | \$90,154 | Ch. c. (Mar) Came Home (Gone West, at Japan) - Julia Biko (Jade Robbery - Scarlet Rose) <i>Breeder: Kawashima Bokujo (JPN). Owner: Shinichi Yamashita</i> |
| 16 | Caucus (JPN) <i>Hideaki Fujiwara</i> | | \$35,850 | B. c. (Apr) Street Sense (Street Cry, \$45,000) - Talk Show (Diktat - High Hawk) <i>B: Darley Japan Farm (JPN). Owner: HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum</i> |
| 8 | Blane Eclat <i>Ryo Takey</i> | | \$22,340 | Gr/ ro. c. (Apr) Hansen (Tapit, at South Korea) - Word of Mouth (Saint Ballado - Katies) <i>B: Polo Green Stable (KY). O: KT Racing Co., Ltd.</i> |
| 4 | Lavapies (JPN) <i>Ryuji Okubo</i> | | \$52,163 | B. c. (Feb) Turtle Bowl (Dyhim Diamond, at Japan) - Zarzuela (Manhattan Cafe - Halwa Song) <i>B: Northern Farm (JPN). O: Silk Racing Co., Ltd.</i> |

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