



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 2013 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 Rocket	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	20	8	4	2
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	1:35.89	94	GORMLEY - American Anthem - Big Hit - Bird Is the Word	10	4	2	1
16Jan17	Smarty Jones L (Oaklawn Park, AR)	1 Mile	1:36.32	96	UNCONTESTED - Petrov - Rowdy the Warrior - Warrior's Club	10	4	2	1
21Jan17	Lecomte G3 (Fair Grounds, LA)	1M 70Y	1:43.20	82	GUEST SUITE - Untrapped - Takeoff - Arklow	10	4	2	1
4Feb17	Withers G3 (Aqueduct, inner track, NY)	1 1/16M				10	4	2	1
4Feb17	Holy Bull G2 (Gulfstream Park, FLA)	1 1/16M				10	4	2	1
4Feb17	Robert B. Lewis G3 (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) - Caucus (JPN) - Blane Eclat - Lavapies (JPN)	40	16	8	4
19Feb17	Hyacinth (Tokyo Racecourse)	1 Mile				50	20	10	5



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Pts.	Horse	Trainer (Derby stats)	Beyer	*Earnings	Color - Sex - (Month of Birth) - Sire (Grand Sire, 2017 Fee) - Dam (Dam's Sire - 2nd Dam)
30	CLASSIC EMPIRE	102	\$1,459,520	B. c. (Apr) Pioneerof the Nile (Empire Maker, \$110,000) - Sambuca Classica (Cat Thief - In Her Glory) <i>Breeder: Steven Nicholson & Brandi Nicholson (KY). Owner: John C. Oxley. (\$475,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Mark Casse (0-0 0 0)				
20	GORMLEY	94	\$260,000	B. c. (Mar) Malibu Moon (A.P. Indy, \$75,000) - Race to Urga (Bernstein - Miss Mambo) <i>B: Castleton Lyons & Kilboy Estate (KY). O: Mr. & Mrs. Jerome S. Moss (Jerry & Ann Moss). (\$150,000 RNA Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	John Shirreffs (3-1 0 0)				
18	NOT THIS TIME	102	\$430,210	Dk. b or br c. (Apr) Giant's Causeway (Storm Cat, \$75,000) - Miss Macy Sue (Trippi - Yada Yada) <i>B: Albaugh Family Stable (KY). O: Albaugh Family Stable (Dennis Albaugh)</i>	
	Dale Romans (7-0 0 2)				
14	PRACTICAL JOKE	90	\$690,000	B. c. (Apr) Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday, \$75,000) - Halo Humor (Distorted Humor - Gilded Halo) <i>B: Whispering Oaks (KY). O: Klaravich Stable Inc. (Seth Klarman) & William H. Lawrence (\$135,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; \$240,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Chad Brown (3-0 0 0)				
11	UNCONTESTED	96	\$99,300	Dk. b or 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>	
	Wayne Catalano (1-0 0 0)				
10	GUNNEVERA	88	\$738,600	Ch. c. (Feb) Dialed In (Mineshaft, \$15,000) - Unbridled Rage (Unbridled - Suite) <i>B: Brandywine Farm & Stephen Upchurch (KY). O: Peacock Racing Stables LLC. (\$16,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Antonio Sano (0-0 0 0)				
10	Lookin At Lee	83	\$275,600	B. c. (Mar) Lookin At Lucky (Smart Strike, \$17,500) - Langara Lass (Langfuhr - Capilano) <i>B: Ray Hanson (KY). O: L and N Racing LLC (Don Nelson). (\$70,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Steve Asmussen (15-0 1 2)				
10	MASTERY	91	\$240,000	Dk. b or br c. (May) Candy Ride (Ride The Rails, \$60,000) - Steady Course (Old Trieste - Steady Cat) <i>B: Stone Farm (KY). O: Cheyenne Stables LLC. (\$425,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Bob Baffert (27-4 3 3)				
10	MO TOWN	86	\$180,000	B. c. (Apr) Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie, \$150,000) - Grazie Mille (Bernardini - Molto Vita) <i>B: John D. Gunter & Eurowest Bloodstock (KY). O: Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith & Team D. (\$200,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Tony Dutrow (1-0 0 0)				
10	MCCRACKEN	86	\$165,048	B. c. (Apr) Ghostzapper (Awesome Again, \$75,000) - Ivory Empress (Seeking the Gold - Madame Pandit) <i>B: Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). O: Whitham Thoroughbreds LLC (Janis R. Whitham)</i>	
	Ian Wilkes (0-0 0 0)				
10	EL AREEB	91	\$150,000	Gr/ro. c. (Apr) Exchange Rate (Danzig, Deceased) - Feathered Diamond (A.P. Indy - Sometimesadiamond) <i>B: Dixiana Farms LLC (KY). O: M M G Stables (\$100,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$340,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR)</i>	
	Cathal Lynch (0-0 0 0)				
10	GUEST SUITE	82	\$128,040	B. g. (Mar) Quality Road (Elusive Quality, \$35,000) - Guest House (Ghostzapper - Welcome Surprise) <i>B: W.S. Farish & Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership (KY). O: W.S. Farish & Lora Jean Kilroy</i>	
	Neil Howard (2-0 1 0)				
6	Wild Shot	84	\$87,200	B. c. (Mar) Trappe Shot (Tapit, \$7,500) - Ranter (Storm Cat - Preach) <i>B: Calumet Farm (KY). O: Calumet Farm (Brad Kelly)</i>	
	Rusty Arnold II (2-0 0 0)				
5	No Dozing	82	\$85,000	B. c. (Apr) Union Rags (Dixie Union, \$50,000) - Stay Awake (Pulpit - Mila) <i>B: Mr. & Mrs. M. Roy Jackson (KY). O: Lael Stables (Roy & Gretchen Jackson)</i>	
	Arnaud Delacour (0-0 0 0)				
4	Klimt	88	\$380,000	B. c. (Apr) Quality Road (Elusive Quality, \$35,000) - Inventive (Dixie Union - Original) <i>B: Thor-Bred Stables, LLC (KY). O: Kaleem Shah Inc. (\$140,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$435,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR)</i>	
	Art Sherman (1-1 0 0)				
4	Hot Sean	79	\$180,000	B. c. (Jan) Flatter (A.P. Indy, \$35,000) - Stormy B (Cherokee Run - Seoul) <i>B: Brookfield Stud (KY). O: Karl Watson, Mike Pegram & Paul Weitman. (\$80,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$550,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)</i>	
	Bob Baffert (27-4 3 3)				
4	Dangerfield	72	\$168,500	B. c. (Mar) Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday, \$75,000) - Amusingly (Distorted Humor - Maniches Slew) <i>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)</i>	
	Doug O'Neill (5-2 0 0)				
4	Syndergaard	81	\$160,000	Ch. c. (Mar) Majesticperfection (Harlan's Holiday, \$15,000) - Magic Belle (Gold Case - Magical Thinking) <i>B: Burseson Farms (NY). O: E. Fein, C. McKenna, H. Fein, G. Singh & J. Walia. (\$92,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL; \$450,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR)</i>	
	Todd Pletcher (45-1 2 3)				
4	Irap	80	\$60,000	B. c. (Feb) Tiznow (Ceas Tizzy, \$60,000) - Silken Cat (Storm Cat - Silken Doll) <i>B: Aaron & Marie Jones (KY). O: Reddam Racing LLC (J. Paul Reddam)</i>	
	Doug O'Neill (5-2 0 0)				
4	Petrov	86	\$50,000	Gr/ro. c. (Mar) Flatter (A.P. Indy, \$35,000) - Saracina (Bertrando - Indy's Paloma) <i>: Sun Valley Farm (KY). O: Rialto Racing Stables & Southern Springs Stables (\$25,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV; \$55,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$55,000 2yo '16 OBSOPN)</i>	
	Ron Moquett (2-0 0 0)				
4	Bonus Points	73	\$40,000 (\$116,650)	B. c. (Mar) Majestic Warrior (A.P. Indy, Private at Japan) - Baby Love (Not For Love - Serenity Jane) <i>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)</i>	
	Todd Pletcher (45-1 2 3)				
4	Untrapped	80	\$40,000 (\$86,800)	Dk. b or br c. (Apr) Trappe Shot (Tapit, \$) - Exit Three (Giant's Causeway - Castanea) <i>: Indian Creek & Jonathan Sheppard (KY); O: Michael Langford. (\$97,000 Ylg '15 KEEJAN; \$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$125,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR)</i>	
	Steve Asmussen (15-0 1 2)				
4	American Anthem	94	\$20,000	B. c. (May) Bodemeister (Empire Maker, \$25,000) - Indy's Windy (A.P. Indy - Banshee Winds) <i>B: Win Star Farm LLC (KY). O: WinStar Farm LLC, S F Bloodstock LLC & China Horse Club. (\$180,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$435,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR)</i>	
	Bob Baffert (27-4 3 3)				
3	Warrior's Club	78	\$26,100	Dk. b or br c. (May) Warrior's Reward (Medaglia d'Oro, \$7,500) - Thirty Eighth St. (Citidancer - Thirtyeightcaliber) <i>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)</i>	
	D. Wayne Lukas (48-4 1 5)				
2	Straight Fire	81	\$96,000	B. c. (Feb) Dominus (Smart Strike, \$7,500) - Tricky Indy (A.P. Indy - Bag of Tricks) <i>(250,000 Ylg '15 FTKJUL) B: Spendthrift Farm LLC (KY). O: Jungle Racing LLC, LNJ Foxwoods, KMN Racing LLC, J. Davenport & A. Molasky</i>	
	Keith Desormeaux (1-0 1 0)				
2	Favorable Outcome	78*	\$50,345	Ch. c. (May) Flatter (A.P. Indy, \$35,000) - Shananies Song (Eltish - Shananies Presence) <i>B: Charles T. Matses (KY). O: Klaravich Stables Inc. (Seth Klarman) & William H. Lawrence</i>	
	Chad Brown (3-0 0 0)				

2 Recruiting Ready	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 Rowdy the Warrior	79	\$33,000	Dk. b or br c. (Apr) Warrior's Reward (Medaglia d'Oro, \$7,500) - Lovely Sage (Gentlemen - Speak halory) O/B: Robert H. Zoellner (OK)
2 Takaful	77	\$31,500	Dk. b or 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	77	\$22,500	Dk. b or 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 Takeoff	79	\$20,000	Dk. b or br c. (Apr) Arch (Kris S., Deceased) - Frisk Her (Officer - Divine Honor) B: JMJ Racing Stables, LLC (KY). O: John C. Oxley. (\$150,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP, \$550,000 2yo '16 OBSMAR)
2 True Timber	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 (Brad Kelley). (\$170,000 Wlg '14 KEENOV)
2 Big Hit	72	\$12,000	B. c. (Jan) Super Saver (Maria's Mon, \$50,000) - Singavictorysong (Hard Spun - Rose Colored Lady) B: Hargus & Sandra Sexton & Silver Fern Farm, LLC (KY). O: Gary & Mary West. (\$360,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)
1 Midnight Pleasure	74	\$54,000	Dk. b or br c. (May) Midnight Lute (Real Quiet, \$20,000) - Platinum Preferred (Vindication - Annasan) B: Roger Long (KY). O: Ruis Racing LLC (Mick Ruis Sr.) & Wendy Ruis
1 J Boys Echo	75	\$50,000	B. c. (Apr) Mineshaft (A.P. Indy, \$25,000) - Letgomyecho (Menifee - Echo Echo Echo) B: Betz/Blackburn/J Betz/Ramsby/CNHHNK (KY). O: Albaugh Family Stables LLC (Jason Loustch)
1 Big Gray Rocket	77*	\$25,000	Gr/ro. c. (Apr) Tapit (Pulpit, \$300,000) - Mistical Plan (Game Plan - Mistical Bel) B: Blue Heaven Farm (KY). O: Frank Fletcher Racing Operations Inc. (\$450,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)
1 Bobby Abu Dhabi	50	\$18,000	Ch. c. (Mar) Macho Uno (Holy Bull, \$15,000) - Wadena (Saint Ballado - Ammy Hills) B: Rockingham Ranch (KY). O: Harry T. Rosenblum & Robert V. LaPenta. (\$85,000, Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$335,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR)
1 Honor Thy Father	70	\$16,203	Dk. b or br c. (Feb) To Honor and Serve (Bernardini, \$10,000) - Hottie Dancer (Distorted Humor - Pike Place Dancer) B: Jim Fitzgerald & Katie Fitzgerald (KY). O: Fern Circle Stables (Paul Fireman). (\$250,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)
1 Arklow	79	\$8,000	B. c. (Feb) Arch (Kris S., Deceased) - Unbridled Empire (Empire Maker - Cindazanno) B: John R. Penn & Frank Penn (KY). O: Donegal Racing (Jerry Crawford). (\$160,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP)
1 Bird Is the Word	68	\$6,000	B. c. (Mar) Birdstone (Grindstone, \$5,000) - Madagascat (Tale of the Cat - Colony Bay) B: Machmer Hall (KY). O: Heart Racing Stable. (\$40,000 Ylg '15 KEESEP; \$40,000 2yo '16 OBSAPR)

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

Beyer: Best Beyer at two turns or *Best Beyer at one turn

Strikethrough = Sidelined, inactive or appears to be no longer under serious Kentucky Derby consideration.

KENTUCKY DERBY 2017 POINT STANDINGS (JAPAN)

Pts.	Horse	Trainer (Derby stats)	*Earnings	Color - Sex - (Month of Birth) - Sire (Grand Sire, 2017 Fee) - Dam (Dam's Sire - 2nd Dam)
40	MONT SAINT LEGAME (JPN)	Koji Maki (0-000)	\$90,154	Ch. c. (Mar) Came Home (Gone West, at Japan) - Julia Biko (Jade Robbery - Scarlet Rose) Breeder: Kawashima Bokujo (JPN). Owner: Shinichi Yamashita
16	Caucus (JPN)	Hideaki Fujiwara (0-000)	\$35,850	B. c. (Apr) Street Sense (Street Cry, \$45,000) - Talk Show (Diktat - High Hawk) B: Darley Japan Farm (JPN). Owner: HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum
8	Blane Eclat	Ryo Takey (0-000)	\$22,340	Gr/ ro. c. (Apr) Hansen (Tapit, at South Korea) - Word of Mouth (Saint Ballado - Katies) B: Polo Green Stable (KY). O: KT Racing Co., Ltd.
4	Lavapies (JPN)	Ryuji Okubo (0-000)	\$52,163	B. c. (Feb) Turtle Bowl (Dyhim Diamond, at Japan) - Zarzuela (Manhattan Cafe - Halwa Song) B: Northern Farm (JPN). O: Silk Racing Co., Ltd.

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