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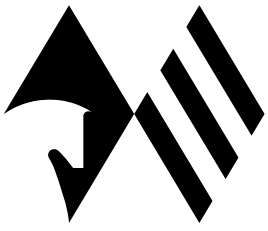


PREAKNESS STAKES

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MEET THE PREAKNESS CONTENDERS

By Johnny D., @XBJohnnyD



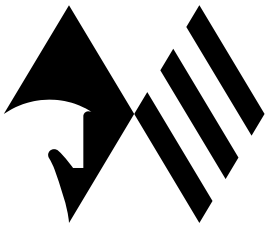
AUTHENTIC: He's the wire-to-wire upset winner of the Kentucky Derby at over 8-1 odds for 6-time roses-wearing trainer Bob Baffert. The trainer's record with Derby winners returning in Preakness is unblemished—5-for-5. Baffert won additional Preakness scrums with Derby disappointments Point Given and Lookin At Lucky for a record 7 wins in the traditional second leg of the Triple Crown. This year, things are just a bit different (the understatement of all time). With the truncated 2020 Belmont Stakes already in the books, Preakness is presented one month – instead of two weeks – after the Kentucky Derby. A month between Derby and Preakness shouldn't bother Authentic at all. So far, not much has. He's lost just 1 of 6 starts and his Derby triumph shushed critics who had suggested the colt might be distance-challenged. While it's possible that extra time between this year's Derby and Preakness might permit a new face to adequately prepare to challenge Authentic for current sophomore preeminence, that mission will need to be completed on the racetrack...and it won't be easy.



ART COLLECTOR: Unlucky to be forced to miss the Kentucky Derby with a slight hoof injury that necessitated antibiotic treatment, this Bernardini colt figures as the main contender to Authentic—possibly early and late in the Preakness. First across the finish in 5 consecutive races by an average winning margin of 4.7 lengths, Art Collector was on fire heading into the Kentucky Derby. Since then he's trained beautifully at Churchill Downs. Detractors may point to Art Collector's recent wins and claim that they came against colts ranked below the Grade 1 level. That would be true. He won three optional claimers at Churchill at distances from six furlongs to one mile and one-sixteenth, followed by the Grade 2 Blue Grass at one mile and one-eighth, plus a romp in the Ellis Park Derby at the same distance. Appearing among his well-vanquished foes is the talented filly Swiss Skydiver, second to Art Collector in the Blue Grass. He's got enough speed to be close in the early going and he's also shown the ability to rate just off the pace. That versatility will find him in the Baltimore race challenging Authentic from start to finish, and he's worth a long look by anyone searching for a possible upsetter to the Derby winner.



THOUSAND WORDS: Trainer Bob Baffert's 'other' Preakness entry, this son of Pioneerof the Nile was entered to run in the Kentucky Derby at 15-1 odds on the morning line. He made it as far as the Churchill Downs saddling paddock before becoming upset and flipping over, causing assistant trainer Jim Barnes to break his wrist, and necessitating a scratch from the race. He has worked well since then and sports 4 wins from 7 starts. He won his first 3 starts, including Grade 2 and 3 stakes. He then went sour in two subsequent starts and was off from mid-April until July 4 when he returned to finish second in the Grade 3 Los Alamitos Derby. He won the Shared Belief at Del Mar before his Derby disobedience. He's not quite as good as Authentic or Art Collector, but could compete with the rest of these on his best day, especially if he makes it into the starting gate.



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MR. BIG NEWS: Third in the Kentucky Derby at a monstrous 46-1, this son of Giant's Causeway closed ground to check in behind Authentic and favored Tiz the Law. He's won just 2 of 8 starts—a Fair Grounds maiden and the Oaklawn Stakes—so he's not expected to be as big a threat to win the Preakness as to possibly hit the board. His closing style often finds him losing ground on turns and sometimes encountering trouble in large fields. That's what happened when he was shuffled back in the Grade 2 Blue Grass even though he re-rallied to finish sixth, beaten 10 lengths by Art Collector. The Preakness pace has to heat up to cater to his late finish and there doesn't seem to be an abundance of early speed signed on; so he seems like an in-the-money play at best.



MYSTIC GUIDE: In this crazy, mixed-up racing season, Mystic Guide attends Preakness off a three-quarter length victory in Saratoga's Grade 2 Jim Dandy Stakes. Blinkers were added that afternoon and they seemed to help this son of Ghostzapper get the job done. Mystic Guide hasn't been off the board in 5 starts and has 2 wins, 1 second and 2 thirds. He doesn't have much early speed and will need to circle many in the Pimlico field for his best shot.



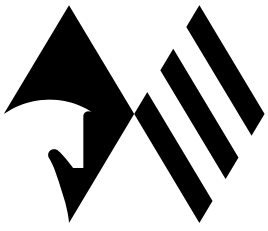
PNEUMATIC: Rested after a well-beaten fourth in the truncated Belmont Stakes, this son of Uncle Mo enters Preakness off a solid score in the Pegasus at Monmouth Park. That was his third win out of 5 career tries. His running style ought to place him just behind the early pacesetters with plans to duplicate the late kick he had last out. He worked a bullet (best of 14) 1:00.80 five-eighths of a mile over the Saratoga training track in preparation for this.



HAPPY SAVER: Unbeaten in 3 starts, this son of Super Saver represents the powerful Todd Pletcher stable. His most recent victory and first stakes triumph came in the Federico Tesio Stakes at Laurel, earning him a spot in the Preakness. He broke his maiden by more than 5 lengths at Belmont in June going seven furlongs and then easily won an allowance race at Saratoga at one mile and one-eighth. His running style ought to find him just off the early pacesetters. Preakness is a big step up for this guy, but he hasn't met his match yet.



MAX PLAYER: This consistent son of Honor Code finished fifth in the Kentucky Derby in his first start for Hall of Fame trainer Steve Asmussen. It was another consistent effort for a colt who also finished third in both the Grade 1 Travers and Belmont Stakes for then trainer Linda Rice. If he starts in the Preakness, he will be the only sophomore to have appeared in all 4 of those major 3-year-old races. He'll need to make up several lengths on Derby winner Authentic, and he usually loses ground on the turns, but he's got a grinding style that fits well in here for an in-the-money finish.



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JESUS' TEAM: It would be an understatement to report that this son of Tapiture has developed nicely for trainer Jose Franciso D'Angelo. The colt broke his maiden for a \$32k tag at Gulfstream March 18, and most recently finished third in the Grade 2 Jim Dandy Stakes at Saratoga. From maiden claimer to graded stakes-placed colt in half a year. A miracle? Well, with a name like Jesus' Team, what did you expect? Water into wine, maybe? Actually, he's named for the owner's son, so heavenly intervention may not have been involved. Jesus' Team was supplemented to Preakness for \$25k. D'Angelo suggests that the colt's best move might be saved for the very end, so look for him well off the early pace.

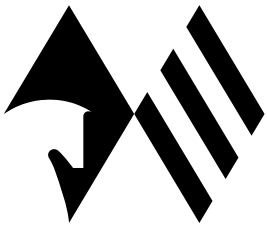


DR POST: This son of Quality Road hasn't won a race since the Unbridled Stakes at Gulfstream Park April 25, but that doesn't mean he can't upset the Preakness. The Belmont Stakes runner-up was considered for the Kentucky Derby, but his connections opted instead for the Grade 2 Jim Dandy, where this colt finished fourth (beaten less than 4 lengths after a wide trip). Before that he was third in the Grade 1 Haskell behind Derby winner Authentic. Trainer Todd Pletcher has pitched this guy against the best, so he must have confidence in his ability. Look for the 'good Doctor' off the early Preakness pace and consider him a possible inclusion in bottom rungs of exotic plays.



LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE: Following a maiden claiming victory at the \$62,500 level as a 2-year-old, this colt by Ghostzapper needed 6 additional starts before making a return visit to the winner's circle in a Saratoga allowance race. Buoyed by that effort, the colt managed a second-placing next out in the Grade 2 Jim Dandy Stakes behind anticipated Preakness foe Mystic Guide. Liveyourbeastlife has won 2 of 8 starts with 1 second and 1 third. He's expected to race from well off the early Preakness pace for trainer Jorge Abreu.

Note: Swiss Skydiver was not committed to the Preakness at press time and not included in our coverage. Check our updated 1/ST Preakness Wager Guide next week for the final field.



WHICH FACTORS FILL YOUR PREAKNESS TOOLBOX?

By Jeremy Plonk, @HorsePlayerNow

The 1/ST BET app uses more than 50 factors in evaluating each horse in a race, drawing from a library of more than 200,000 previous races to match past success with future success. 1/ST BET automatically matches and ranks the proven, most successful factors in each race, and also gives you the ability to select your own set of factors to make personalized, artificial intelligence-based selections in mere seconds. Once the final field is set for Preakness, the 1/ST INDEX selections for the big race will be published in our updated 1/ST Preakness Wager Guide (available Thursday, October 1).

But which of the 50+ factors do you find most important when identifying your Preakness horse? We tasked handicapper Jeremy Plonk to provide his top factors from the 1/ST BET app that fit his personal handicapping preferences for this year's unique, final jewel in the Triple Crown. [Visit 1st.com/bet](http://1st.com/bet) to learn more about each of the handicapping factors.

RACE RECORD FACTORS

Jeremy's Take: In the Preakness Stakes historically, you're looking for a horse with recent race experience and proven class. It hasn't been an event kind to those rising in class or those who have been away from the races for an extended period. Don't overemphasize the last finish; consider last year's Derby-to-Preakness rebound by War of Will and that of Oxbow in 2013.

- **Days Since Last Race:** The number of days since the horse's most recent start. Healthy horses race every 3-8 weeks.
- **Last Race Class:** The Class value of a race is computed by looking at all the horses in a race. 1/ST BET looks at how fast those horses have run in their careers, over the last few races, how much they have earned lifetime, as well as the purse values.
- **Avg. Last 3 Race Classes:** The average class value for the last 3 races the horse has run in.
- **Average Last 3 Purses:** The average of the last 3 purse values of the races the horse was in.
- **In The Money Percent:** The percentage of times the horse has finished 1st, 2nd or 3rd in his career.
- **Horses beaten (% average placement last 5 races):** This number looks at which position a horse finished in a race and determines how many horses he beat in that race.

SPEED FACTORS

Jeremy's Take: Being fast always matters, and the Preakness is no different. Not only are you looking for horses who are consistently fast, but capable on their most brilliant day of popping fastest of all. This race comes at the end of a long 3-year-old campaign this year, so which of the runners can tap into their best? And, more importantly, is that best good enough to best the rest?

- **Best Lifetime Speed Number:** This is the best speed number the horse has run in its lifetime regardless of distance, surface, or track condition.
- **Best Speed Last 3:** When considering the horse's last 3 races, this is the highest number earned in those three.
- **Avg. Best 2 of Last 3:** This factor looks at the last 3 races, finds the best 2 speed numbers of the three and averages those. This can be a powerful factor since it tosses the lowest number, which may have been due to circumstances beyond a horse's control.

PACE FACTORS

Jeremy's Take: We know horses battling for the front win about two-thirds of all dirt races in North America, and the Preakness has long been a race that's shined on horses with tactical speed. Outside of Exaggerator's deep rally as a mud freak in 2016, and legends Curlin (2007) and Point Given (2001), you're hard-pressed to find a Preakness champ who came from more than 5 lengths back over the past 2 decades. Consider the early pace figures (E1, E2) important, but, again, don't get sold on just the last number.

- **Avg. of last 3 E1 pace:** Represents the average of the last 3 E1 pace figures the horse has earned.
- **Avg. of last 3 E2 pace:** Represents the average of the last 3 E2 pace figures the horse has earned.

FACTORS THROUGH HISTORY








PREAKNESS STAKES 2015-2019

We searched the 1/ST BET archives to re-examine the last 5 editions of the Preakness Stakes. See where the winners ranked best in their respective fields in terms of handicapping factors, and look for those commonalities with this year's runners when using the 1/ST BET app to handicap the final jewel in the Triple Crown. As you'll see, the 1/ST BET app has delivered the last 5 Preakness winners among its top 3 factor category leaders – American Pharoah, Exaggerator, Cloud Computing, Justify and War of Will. [Learn More.](#)

2019

WINNER: WAR OF WILL

RANKED FIRST IN 13 FACTORS:












	LAST PURSE
	LAST RACE CLASS
	BEST SPEED TURF
	AVG. TURF EARNINGS
	DAYS SINCE LAST RACE
	JOCKEY TRAINER ROI MEET
	AVG. EARNINGS TODAY'S TRACK
	BEST SPEED TODAY'S TRACK
	T/J COMBO WIN % MEET
	TRAINER CURRENT MEET
	DISTANCE PEDIGREE RATING
	DIRT PEDIGREE RATING
	TURF PEDIGREE RATING

HORSES WHO LED MOST FACTORS:
WAR OF WILL AND IMPROBABLE (13),
WARRIOR'S CHARGE (7)










2018

WINNER: JUSTIFY

RANKED FIRST IN 22 FACTORS

	AVG. SPEED LAST 3
	AVG. EARNINGS TODAY'S DISTANCE
	LAST E2 PACE
	BEST SPEED THIS DISTANCE
	BEST SPEED OFF TRACK
	BEST SPEED FAST TRACK
	AVG. LIFETIME EARNINGS
	BEST SPEED LAST RACE
	TRAINER WIN % 1 YEAR
	AVG. OF LAST 3 E2 PACE
	TRAINER CURRENT YEAR

2018 - CONTINUED







	AVG. OFF-TRACK EARNINGS
	BEST LIFETIME SPEED
	HORSES DEFEATED %
	AVG. SPEED BEST 2 OF LAST 3
	LAST E1 PACE
	TRAINER-JOCKEY WIN % 2 YEARS
	AVG. OF LAST 3 E1 PACE
	BEST SPEED LAST 3
	WIN %
	JOCKEY WIN % 6 MONTHS
	JOCKEY WIN % 1 YEAR

HORSES WHO LED MOST FACTORS:
JUSTIFY (22), QUIP (13), GOOD MAGIC
AND LONE SAILOR (5)

2017





WINNER: CLOUD COMPUTING

RANKED FIRST IN 6 FACTORS

	LAST E2 PACE
	AVG. LAST 3 TURN TIME
	AVG. SPEED LAST 3
	TRAINER CURRENT YEAR
	AVG. OF LAST 3 E2
	LAST E1 PACE

HORSES WHO LED MOST FACTORS:
MULTIPLIER (13), ALWAYS DREAMING
(9), CLOUD COMPUTING (6)







FACTOR CATEGORIES:

-  = PERFORMANCE
-  = RESULTS
-  = JOCKEY+ TRAINER
-  = PEDIGREE

2016

WINNER: EXAGGERATOR

RANKED FIRST IN 6 FACTORS

	LAST E2 PACE
	AVG. LAST 3 TURN TIME
	AVG. SPEED LAST 3
	TRAINER CURRENT YEAR
	AVG. OF LAST 3 E2
	LAST E1 PACE

HORSES WHO LED MOST FACTORS:
NYQUIST (11), UNCLE LINO (8),
EXAGGERATOR (6)

2015

WINNER: AMERICAN PHAROAH

RANKED FIRST IN 17 FACTORS:

	AVG LAST 3 PURSE
	LAST PURSE
	AVG. EARNINGS TODAY'S DISTANCE
	DAYS SINCE LAST RACE
	LAST RACE CLASS
	BEST SPEED THIS DISTANCE
	SPEED LAST RACE
	BEST SPEED ALL WEATHER
	HORSES DEFEATED %
	AVG LIFETIME EARNINGS
	BEST SPEED OFF TRACK
	AVG OFF TRACK EARNINGS
	AVG ALL WEATHER EARNINGS
	TRAINER WIN % 6 MONTHS
	TRAINER CURRENT YEAR
	LAST FINISH POSITION
	TRAINER WIN % 1 YEAR

HORSES WHO LED MOST FACTORS:
AMERICAN PHAROAH (18),
DORTMUND (11), DIVINING ROD (7)

PREAKNESS STAKES

WAGERING FACTS



Below are some informative wagering tidbits from past Preakness Stakes events.

WIN-PLACE-SHOW ODDS

(Last 20 Years, Odds to \$1)

Win Odds: Average: 4.65

High: 15.40 (Oxbow, 2013)

Low: .20 (Big Brown, 2008)

Notable: Preakness winner has been 6-1 or less in 16 of the last 20 years.

Place Odds: Average: 14.59

High: 45.70 (Magic Weisner, 2002)

Low: 1.30 (Street Sense, 2007)

Notable: The runner-up has been 15-1 or more odds in 4 of the last 5 years, including 29-1 Everfast in 2019.

Show Odds: Average: 12.44

High: 31.70 (Senior Investment, 2017)

Low: .70 (Nyquist, 2016)

Notable: Nyquist (2016) is the only Preakness favorite to finish third in the last 20 years.

EXACTA PAYOFFS

(Last 20 years, \$2 Payoffs)

Average: \$146.40

High: \$947.00 (War of Will-Everfast, 2019)

Low: \$18.20 (California Chrome-Ride On Curlin, 2014)

Notable: 17 of the last 20 exactas have had at least 1 horse 3-1 or less on the ticket.

TRIFECTA PAYOFFS

(Last 20 years, \$1 Payoffs)

Average: \$816.45

High: \$4,699.80 (War of Will-Everfast-Owendale, 2019)

Low: \$35.40 (I'll Have Another-Bodemeister-Creative Cause, 2012)

Notable: Last year's payoff was the largest trifecta in Preakness history, which began offering the bet in 1987.

SUPERFECTA PAYOFFS

(Last 20 years, \$1 Payoffs)

Average: \$5,997.93 (Average Odds of Fourth-place finishers is 11.6-1)

High: \$51,924 (War of Will-Everfast-Owendale-Warrior's Charge, 2019)

Low: \$173.80 (California Chrome-Ride On Curlin-Social Inclusion-General A Rod, 2014)

Notable: Last year's superfecta payout of \$51,924 was more than \$33,000 larger than any previous return in the bet's 22-year history.

DERBY WINNERS IN PREAKNESS

(Last 15 Years)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Fin.</u>	<u>Odds.</u>
2019	-did not compete-		
2018	Justify	1st	2-5*
2017	Always Dreaming	8th	6-5*
2016	Nyquist	3rd	3-5*
2015	American Pharoah	1st	4-5*
2014	California Chrome	1st	1-2*
2013	Orb	4th	3-5*
2012	I'll Have Another	1st	3-1
2011	Animal Kingdom	2nd	2-1*
2010	Super Saver	8th	9-5*
2009	Mine That Bird	2nd	6-1
2008	Big Brown	1st	1-5*
2007	Street Sense	2nd	6-5*
2006	Barbaro	dnf	1-2*
2005	Giacomo	3rd	6-1

*Preakness Favorite

LONGSHOT WINNERS

(15-1 or More, All-Time)

<u>\$2 Payoff</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Year</u>
\$48.80	Master Derby	1975
\$45.60	Coventry	1925
\$40.70	Display	1926
\$39.40	Bee Bee Bee	1972
\$32.80	Oxbow	2013
\$32.00	Hindus	1900
\$32.00	Don Enrique	1907

HIGHEST-PRICED SUPERFECTA FINISHERS

(Last 15 Years, Odds to \$1)

<u>Odds</u>	<u>Horse</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Fin.</u>
39.90	Macho Again	2008	2ND
31.70	Senior Investment	2017	3RD
29.40	Hemingway's Key	2006	3RD
29.30	Everfast	2019	3RD
28.50	Tale of Verve	2015	2ND
26.10	Tenfold	2018	3RD
25.40	Flying Private	2009	4TH
25.10	Racecar Rhapsody	2008	4TH

PREAKNESS STAKES

EXPERT PICKS



We tasked our expert racing analysts across the 1/ST family to provide their selections for this year's final jewel in the Triple Crown. Check back in our updated Preakness Wager Guide on October 1 for final selections.

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CHAMPIONSHIP MAY BE ON LINE

By Jeff Siegel, @jsiegelracing

ANALYSIS: This year's Preakness won't produce a Triple Crown winner, but it could decide an Eclipse Award in the 3-year-old male division. Hard to believe? Well, after AUTHENTIC fought off odds-on Kentucky Derby favorite Tiz the Law at Churchill Downs to register a legitimate, highly-rated victory, his 2020 record of four wins (with one second) in five starts suddenly compares very favorably with the colt that most assumed had wrapped up divisional honors before the calendar had even flipped to July. Tiz the Law can't gain any revenge in Maryland, he's staying home. So, while AUTHENTIC may be a need-the-lead type - and credit trainer Bob Baffert for recognizing this prior to the Run for the Roses - he should have every chance to add another classic win to his glittering resume against a field that on paper promises to hand him another uncontested lead.

MAIN CONTENDERS: ART COLLECTOR, not AUTHENTIC, was the colt considered to be Tiz the Law's most serious rival in the Derby; but the winner of five straight races (one was taken away due to a bad test) came up with a hoof problem a few days before the race and wasn't even entered. He's healthy now - a spectacular workout, his best ever, at Churchill Downs Sept. 19 shows he hasn't lost a step. Trip handicappers can easily envision the son of Bernardini drafting into a cozy, stalking position behind AUTHENTIC and then mounting a serious challenge from the quarter-pole home. Tiz the Law enjoyed the same kind of trip in Louisville, but could never get by. ART COLLECTOR, fresh, improving and extremely dangerous, just might.

VALUE PLAYS: MYSTIC GUIDE has raised his Beyer Speed Figures in every one of his races (so has AUTHENTIC, for that matter). On pure numbers, he's not fast enough yet to win an American classic, but as a son of Horse of the Year Ghostzapper from five-time Grade 1 winner Music Note, his progression is very likely to continue. If the two favorites decide to relive the Seabiscuit vs. War Admiral match race at Old Hilltop, the recent winner of the Grade 3 Jim Dandy, who does all of his training at nearby Fair Hill, could produce the last run and spring a major upset.

\$100 WAGERING STRATEGY:

- \$20 Exacta Box: AUTHENTIC and ART COLLECTOR (\$40)
- \$10 Exacta Box: AUTHENTIC, ART COLLECTOR, MYSTIC GUIDE (\$60)

PREAKNESS HISTORY

THE LAST...

KENTUCKY DERBY WINNER TO WIN:

JUSTIFY (2018)

KENTUCKY DERBY RUNNER-UP TO WIN:

EXAGERRATOR (2016)

KENTUCKY DERBY SHOW HORSE TO WIN:

CURLIN (2007)

KENTUCKY DERBY OFF THE BOARD

FINISHER TO WIN:

WAR OF WILL (2019)

KENTUCKY DERBY EXACTA TO REPEAT 1-2

IN PREAKNESS:

I'LL HAVE ANOTHER-BODEMEISTER (2012),
PRIOR TO THAT CHARISMATIC-MENIFEE (1999)

KENTUCKY DERBY TRIFECTA TO REPEAT

1-2-3 IN PREAKNESS:

AFFIRMED-ALYDAR-BELIEVE IT (1978)

NON-KENTUCKY DERBY ALUM TO WIN:

CLOUD COMPUTING (2017); PRIOR RACHEL
ALEXANDRA (2009)

PREPPED LAST AT PIMLICO TO WIN:

BEE BEE BEE (1972)

JOCKEY TO WIN BACK-TO-BACK:

VICTOR ESPINOZA (2014-'15) WITH CALIFORNIA
CHROME AND AMERICAN PHAROAH

JOCKEY TO WIN HIS DEBUT:

TYLER GAFFALIONE (2019) ABOARD WAR OF WILL

TOP 4 PICKS

- | | |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 1. AUTHENTIC | 3. MYSTIC GUIDE |
| 2. ART COLLECTOR | 4. PNEUMATIC |



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GRADE 1 - \$1,000,000

3YO - 1 3/16 MILES (DIRT)

AUTHENTIC WILL ADD PREAKNESS TO COLLECTION

By Jeremy Plonk, @HorsePlayerNow

ANALYSIS: A month ago in Louisville, ART COLLECTOR grabbed a quarter and was sidelined, while AUTHENTIC grabbed the lead and wrote his name in the history books. I recommend you grab a snack for their Preakness clash; this should be a good one. The final jewel of the Triple Crown may seem out of order, but Bob Baffert's presence here with AUTHENTIC restores order. It's his sixth Kentucky Derby winner to bound into Baltimore, and he is yet to lose here with one of those.

MAIN CONTENDERS: AUTHENTIC, give or take a few strides, has been behind just 3 horses for any length of time in his 6-race career. He displays the high cruising speed and late, video-game spurt evident in so many Baffert trainees over the years. The Preakness pace plays to his favor. While not as mechanically efficient or mentally connected as American Pharoah or Justify, his raw physical ability has amassed a near-perfect resume. The 4-week span from Derby to Preakness is the quickest of his career, a week shorter than between his Santa Anita Derby second and Haskell victory. But Baffert trainees rarely ever 'bounce.' ART COLLECTOR, by Preakness winner Bernardini, blitzed all 4 fields he faced this year since coming to Tommy Drury's barn. His Grade 2 Blue Grass score was flattered when his pursuers came back to win the Grade 1 Alabama and Grade 2 Pat Day Mile, as well as finish third in the Kentucky Derby, the latter by way of MR. BIG NEWS. Since then, ART COLLECTOR has trained well and shown no effects of the minor foot injury that kept him out of the Run for the Roses. MR. BIG NEWS was 46-1 in Louisville and that same number in his signature Oaklawn win. But Derby longshot placings rarely repeat that in the Preakness, and offspring of Giant's Causeway have a highly subpar Pimlico dirt record. Look elsewhere for that exotics bump.

VALUE PLAYS: HAPPY SAVER has done nothing wrong to date and sire Super Saver, while dull in his 2010 Preakness bid, hits 26% winners with his offspring at Pimlico. The 1/ST database further shows sire Ghostzapper profitable and a 20% winner with his locals, which here include MYSTIC GUIDE and strong-finishing LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE. The latter will be my bomber of note and quickly improving.

\$100 WAGERING STRATEGY:

- \$60 Trifecta: AUTHENTIC with ART COLLECTOR with LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE (\$60)
- \$25 Exacta: AUTHENTIC with LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE (\$25)
- \$10 Trifecta: ART COLLECTOR with AUTHENTIC with LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE (\$10)
- \$5 Exacta: ART COLLECTOR with LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE (\$5)

STATS & TRENDS

2019 PREAKNESS HANDLE TOTALS (Handle in Millions Except for Double)

Pool	Handle
Win, Place, Show:	\$21.8
Trifecta:	\$13.2
Exacta:	\$11.8
Superfecta:	\$6.8
Pick Four:	\$3.1
Black-Eyed Susan/ Preakness Double:	\$810,332

HALF-MILE LEADERS

Year	Horse	Fin.
2019	Warrior's Charge	4th
2018	Justify	1st
2017	Always Dreaming	8th
2016	Nyquist	3rd
2015	American Pharoah	1st
2014	Pablo Del Monte	6th
2013	Oxbow	1st
2012	Bodemeister	2nd
2011	Flashpoint	14th
2010	First Dude	2nd

PREAKNESS WINNERS WHO SKIPPED DERBY (Since 1970)

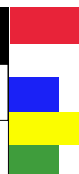
Year	Horse
2017	Cloud Computing
2009	Rachel Alexandra
2006	Bernardini
2000	Red Bullet
1983	Deputed Testimony
1982	Aloma's Ruler
1980	Codex
1972	Bee Bee Bee

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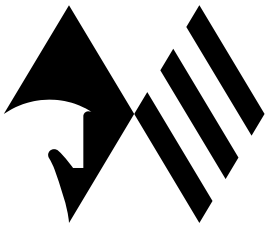
War of Will (2019) became the 16th Preakness winner since 1900 to have rebounded from a Kentucky Derby finish of fifth or worse.

TOP 4 PICKS

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| 1. AUTHENTIC | 3. LIVEYOURBEASTLIFE |
| 2. ART COLLECTOR | 4. HAPPY SAVER |



1/ST BET



PREAKNESS STAKES WORKOUT ANALYSIS

By Millie Ball (@camillayakteen)

XBTv, part of the 1/ST family, is your home for the best workout video, analysis and information. Workout analyst Millie Ball has kept an eye on the top Preakness contenders in the morning and provides her video study. Check back in our updated Wager Guide during Preakness Week for additional late workout information.

Click the horse's name to view the videos, courtesy Churchill Downs.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>TRACK</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Authentic	9/19	Churchill	5 furlongs	fast	:59.20

I was glad to see a very typical work from Authentic 14 days after his mile and one-quarter victory in the Kentucky Derby. He was alert, moving his ears to and fro, for the duration of the work and demonstrated good energy when asked to work on out seven-eighths of a mile. He was given an official 5F clocking of :59.20. His trainer Bob Baffert followed him out 6 furlongs in 1:12 on his watch and 7 furlongs in 1:25.80, commenting that he was "cruising, like a Derby winner!" ([Baffert's full reaction, courtesy of the Kentucky HBPA, here.](#)) Authentic remained at Churchill Downs after the Derby and did not return to Santa Anita, a move typical of Baffert's past Derby-Preakness contenders.

Art Collector	9/19	Churchill	5 furlongs	fast	:59.40
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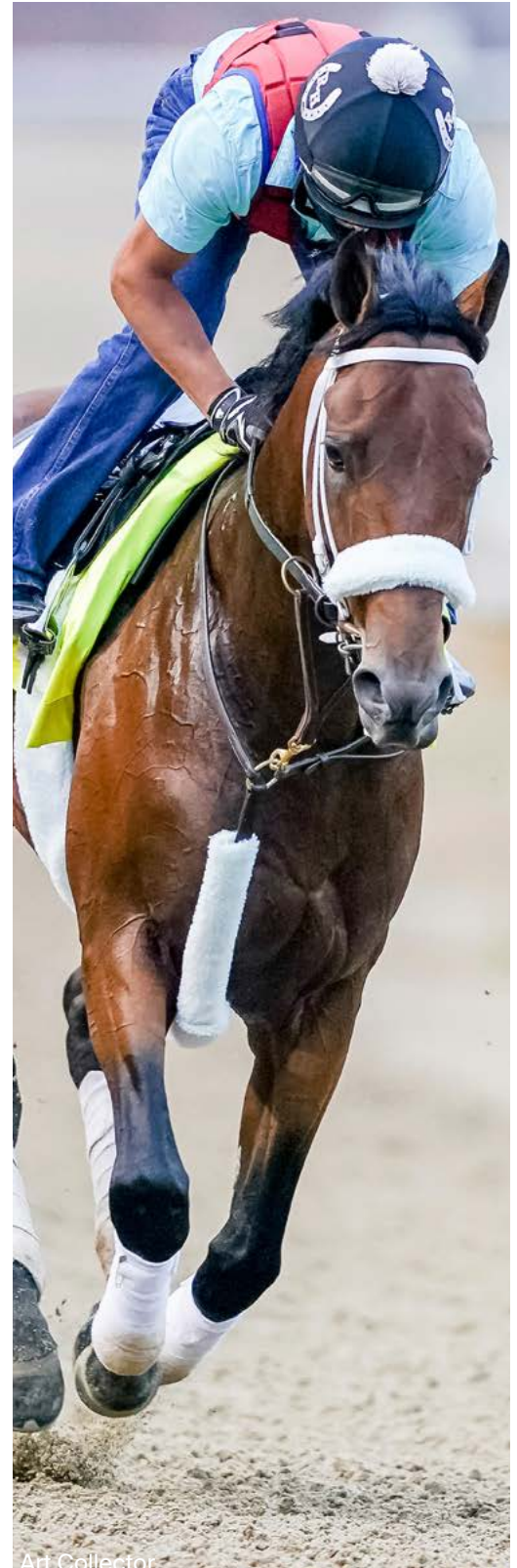
Art Collector's 5-furlong time was only 1/5 of a second slower than Authentic's that same morning of Sept. 19 at Churchill Downs. I couldn't fault the Blue Grass winner's work either. He found his rhythm quickly and worked an enthusiastic five-eighths, showing zeal on the long gallop-out. His untimely foot issue, grabbing himself while training for the Kentucky Derby, appears to be well and truly behind him.

Thousand Words	9/19	Churchill	5 furlongs	fast	1:02.40
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Thousand Words has proven to be a tough customer. When put with company in his last two works at Del Mar, he was too keen. Then on Sept. 19 at Churchill when working alone, he was lazy, completing his 5-furlong drill in a half-hearted 1:02.40 with jockey Florent Geroux persuading him. Regardless of that, he does have a long, fluid stride and looks healthy after his Derby paddock mishap.

Mr. Big News	9/18	Churchill	4 furlongs	fast	:48.40
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Notebook: Mr. Big News returned to the workout tab under the lights the morning of Sept. 18, and Jennie Rees of the Kentucky HBPA's publicity staff discussed the colt's Preakness outlook with owner Chester Thomas.



HOW MUCH DOES THAT BET COST?



Preakness exotic wagers usually produce hefty payoffs. Use this handy Exotic Wagering Chart to help plan your attack.

Exacta Box: (\$1 Wager)

2 horse box	.....\$2
3 horse box	.....\$6
4 horse box	.....\$12
5 horse box	.....\$20
6 horse box	.....\$30
7 horse box	.....\$42
8 horse box	.....\$56

Exacta Wheel: (\$1 Wager)

One Horse with All

6 horse field	..... \$5
7 horse field	..... \$6
8 horse field	..... \$7
9 horse field	..... \$8
10 horse field	.....\$9

Trifecta Box: (\$.50 Wager)

3 Horse Box	..... \$3
4 Horse Box	..... \$12
5 Horse Box	..... \$30
6 Horse Box	..... \$60
7 Horse Box	..... \$105
8 Horse Box	.....\$168

Trifecta Wheel: (\$.50 Wager)

One Horse with All with All

(Example: 1/All/All or All/1/All or All/All/1)

7 Horse Field	.....\$15
8 Horse Field	.....\$21
9 Horse Field	.....\$28
10 Horse Field	.....\$36

One Horse with Two Horses with All

(Example: 1/2,3/All or 2,3/1/All or 1/All/2,3 or 2,3/All/1 or All/1/2,3 or All/2,3/1)

7 Horse Field	.....\$5
8 Horse Field	.....\$6
9 Horse Field	.....\$7
10 Horse Field	.....\$8

Trifecta Key: (\$.50 Wager)

1 Horse with 3 others	..... \$3
(Example: 1/ 2, 3, 4/ 2, 3, 4)	
1 Horse with 4 others	..... \$6
(Example: 1/ 2, 3, 4, 5/ 2, 3, 4, 5)	
1 Horse with 5 others	.....\$10
(Example: 1/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6)	
1 Horse with 6 others	.....\$15
(Example: 1/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	
1 Horse with 7 others	.....\$21
(Example: 1/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8/ 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)	

Superfecta Box: (\$.10 Wager)

4 Horse Box	..... \$2.40
5 Horse Box	.....\$12
6 Horse Box	.....\$36

Superfecta Wheel: (\$.10 Wager)

One Horse with All with All with All

(Example: 1/All/All/All or All/1/All/All or All/All/1/All or All/ All/ All/1)

7 Horse Field	..... \$12
8 Horse Field	.....\$21
9 Horse Field	.....\$33.60
10 Horse Field	.....\$50.40

One Horse with Two Horses with All with All

(Example: 1/2,3/All/All or 2,3/1/All/All or 1/All/All/ 2,3 or 2,3/All/All/1 or All/All/1/ 2,3 or All/All/2,3/ 1)

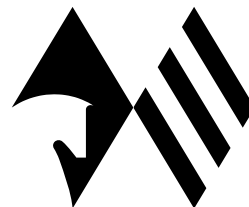
7 Horse Field	..... \$4
8 Horse Field	..... \$6
9 Horse Field	.....\$8.40
10 Horse Field	.....\$11.20

Superfecta Key: (\$.10 Wager)

1 Horse with 3 others	..... \$.60
(Example: 1/2, 3, 4/2, 3, 4/2, 3, 4)	
1 Horse with 4 others	..... \$2.40
(Example: 1/2, 3, 4, 5/2, 3, 4, 5/2, 3, 4, 5)	
1 Horse with 5 others	..... \$6
(Example: 1/2, 3, 4, 5, 6/2, 3, 4, 5, 6/2, 3, 4, 5, 6)	
1 Horse with 6 others	.....\$12
(Example: 1/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7)	
1 Horse with 7 others	.....\$21
(Example: 1/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8/2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8)	

PREAKNESS STAKES

NEED-TO-KNOW



ENTRIES/POST POSITION DRAW:	MONDAY, SEPT. 28
RACE DATE:	SATURDAY, OCT. 3
FIRST RACE POST TIME:	11 A.M. ET
PREAKNESS STAKES POST TIME:	5:31 P.M. ET
WATCH FREE AND WAGER:	ALL RACES ON 1/ST BET APP; XPRESSBET.COM
TELEVISION:	NBC, 4:30-6 PM ET
WAGERING NOTES:	FRI-SAT PIMLICO SPECIAL/PREAKNESS DAILY DOUBLE

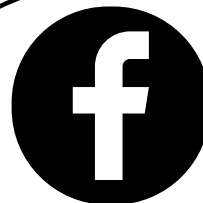
STAKES LINEUP

Grade 1 Preakness	\$1,000,000	3YO	1-3/16 miles
Grade 2 Black-Eyed Susan	\$250,000	3YO F	1-1/8 miles
Grade 2 Dinner Party	\$250,000	3&UP	1-1/16 miles (turf)
Grade 3 DeFrancis Dash	\$250,000	3&UP	6 furlongs
Grade 3 Gallorette	\$150,000	3&UP FM	1-1/16 miles (turf)
Grade 3 Miss Preakness	\$150,000	3YO F	6 furlongs
Selima	\$150,000	2YO F	1-1/16 miles (turf)
Laurel Futurity	\$150,000	2YO	1-1/16 miles (turf)
Hilltop	\$100,000	3YO F	1 mile (turf)
James W. Murphy	\$100,000	3YO	1 mile (turf)
Skipat	\$100,000	3&UP FM	6 furlongs
Grade 1 UAE President's Cup	\$100,000	4&UP (A)	1-1/16 miles

1/ST INSIDE PREAKNESS 145

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