

Plate Facts - 2021 Edition

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RECORD PURSE:

\$1,000,000 (2000-2020) \$500,000 (1998-1999)

RECORD TIME (RUN AT 1-1/4 MILES SINCE 1957):

2:01 4/5 (IZVESTIA, 1990)

2:01.98 (MIGHTY HEART, 2020)

2:01.99 (STRAIT OF DOVER, 2012)

2:02-flat (REGAL EMBRACE, 1978; VICTORIA PARK, 1960)

2:02 1/5 (NORTHERN DANCER, 1964; ARCHERS BAY, 1998)

2:02.26 (WONDER GADOT, 2018)

2:02.48 (WANDO, 2003)

LONGEST PRICED WINNERS:

T J's Lucky Moon - \$166.00 (2002) ROYAL CHOCOLATE - \$48.10 (1973) DRIVING HOME - \$43.90 (1980) BLUE LIGHT - \$39.50 (1961)

SHORTEST PRICED WINNERS:

VICTORIA PARK - \$2.10 (1960) ALYDEED - \$2.20 (1992) NORTHERN DANCER - \$2.30 (1964) TITLED HERO - \$2.50 (1966)

LARGEST FIELD:

20 (1959) 19 (1963) 18 (1980, 1982) 17 (1973, 1999, 2011)

SMALLEST FIELD:

8 (1960, 1964, 1977, 2007) 9 (1971, 1979, 1991, 2005) 10 (2001) 11 (1966, 1976, 1988, 1993, 1994)

LARGEST MARGIN OF VICTORY:

13 lengths (IZVESTIA, 1990) 11-1/2 lengths (LYFORD CAY, 1957; ALYDEED, 1992) 9-1/2 lengths (CALEDON BEAU, 1958)

SMALLEST MARGIN OF VICTORY:

Nose (BLUE LIGHT, 1961; FIDDLE DANCER BOY, 1981; WITH APPROVAL, 1989)

WINNINGEST JOCKEYS:

AVELINO GOMEZ - 4 (1957, 1960, 1966, 1969) SANDY HAWLEY - 4 (1970, 1971, 1975, 1978) ROBIN PLATTS - 4 (1972, 1974, 1977, 1984)

WINNINGEST TRAINERS:

HARRY GIDDINGS JR. - 8 (1911, 1913, 1914, 1920, 1931, 1932, 1934, 1942) ROGER ATTFIELD - 8 (1976, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1993, 1995, 2008)

WINNINGEST OWNERS:

WINDFIELDS FARM - 7 (1959, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1964, 1978, 1985) KINGHAVEN FARMS - 5 (1979, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1992) SAM-SON FARM - 5 (1988, 1991, 2000, 2001, 2009)

FILLIES TO WIN THE QUEEN'S PLATE:

(37 SINCE 1860; 9 SINCE 1956)

Since 1956:

FLAMING PAGE (1962)
JAMMED LOVELY (1967)
LA LORGNETTE (1985)
DANCE SMARTLY (1991)
DANCETHRUTHEDAWN (2001)
INGLORIOUS (2011)
LEXIE LOU (2014)
HOLY HELENA (2017)
WONDER GADOT (2018)

FEMALE TRAINER TO WIN QUEEN'S PLATE - ONE:

JOSIE CARROLL (EDENWOLD, 2006; INGLORIOUS, 2011)

FEMALE JOCKEY TO WIN QUEEN'S PLATE – ONE:

EMMA-JAYNE WILSON (MIKE FOX, 2007)





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WINNING FAVOURITES - 24 FOR 65

Since 1956, Queen's Plate mutuel favourites are winning at 36.9% (24 for 65) average, above the traditional 33% rate. Favourites have lost 22 of the last 26 editions, though. The only post time choices to win during this stretch are Wando (2003), Eye of the Leopard (2009), Holy Helena (2017) and Wonder Gadot (2018).

CANADIAN TRIPLE CROWN CHAMPIONS – SEVEN

Canadian Triple Crown of Thoroughbred Racing (Queen's Plate, Prince Of Wales Stakes, Breeders' Stakes) series was established in 1959:

NEW PROVIDENCE (1959) CANEBORA (1963) WITH APPROVAL (1989) IZVESTIA (1990) DANCE SMARTLY (1991) PETESKI (1993) WANDO (2003)

WIRE-TO-WIRE QUEEN'S PLATE WINNERS – 12

CANADIAN CHAMP (1956)
LYFORD CAY (1957)
WHISTLING SEA (1965)
REGAL EMBRACE (1978)
SON OF BRIARTIC (1982)
PETESKI (1993)
WANDO (2003)
BIG RED MIKE (2010)
STRAIT OF DOVER (2012)
MIDNIGHT ARIA (2013)
ONE BAD BOY (2019)
MIGHTY HEART (2020)

LAST TO FIRST QUEEN'S PLATE WINNERS – TWO

VICTORIA SONG (1972) MARKET CONTROL (1987)

TRACK CONDITION FOR QUEEN'S PLATE

The track has been listed 'Fast' for every Queen's Plate except:

SLOPPY – 3 (1974, 1977, 1979) MUDDY – 3 (1968, 1980, 1999) SLOW – 3 (1956, 1973, 1986) GOOD – 1 (1985)

QUEEN'S PLATE WINNERS TO WIN SOVEREIGN AWARDS (SAME YEAR) – 27

L'ENJOLEUR – 1975 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) NORCLIFFE – 1976 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) STEADY GROWTH – 1979 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) BOMPAGO - 1983 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) KEY TO THE MOON – 1984 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) LA LORGNETTE – 1985 (3-Year-Old Filly of the Year) GOLDEN CHOICE - 1986 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) REGAL INTENTION – 1988 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) WITH APPROVAL – 1989 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) IZVESTIA – 1990 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) DANCE SMARTLY – 1991 (3-Year-Old Filly & Horse of the Year) PETESKI - 1993 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) VICTOR COOLEY – 1996 (3-Year-Old Colt/Gelding of the Year) ARCHERS BAY – 1998 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) WOODCARVER - 1999 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) DANCETHRUTHEDAWN – 2001 (3-Year-Old Filly of the Year) WANDO – 2003 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year) NOT BOURBON - 2008 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) EYE OF THE LEOPARD – 2009 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) BIG RED MIKE – 2010 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) INGLORIOUS – 2011 (3-Year-Old Filly of the Year) STRAIT OF DOVER – 2012 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) LEXIE LOU – 2014 (3-Year-Old Filly, Female Turf & Horse of the Year) SHAMAN GHOST – 2015 (3-Year-Old Colt of the Year) HOLY HELENA – 2017 (3-Year-Old Filly of the Year) WONDER GADOT - 2018 (3-Year-Old Filly & Horse of the Year) MIGHTY HEART – 2020 (3-Year-Old Colt & Horse of the Year)

TAPETA SURFACE QUEEN'S PLATE – FIVE

This year's Queen's Plate marks the sixth edition to be contested on the Tapeta track.