

# INSIDER PICKS & POWER PLAYS™

Sam Houston - 02/28/2025

**Top 3** Selections ranks horses by the level of their overall past performance and by the estimated probability of repeating their most recent race. An asterisk (\*) next to the program number identifies the top pick. The **Speed** picks are based solely on recent Speed Ratings of each horse. The **Class** picks are the horses that have run the best against the highest quality of competition. The **Pace** rankings predict today's likely front runners based on first call Pace Ratings of each horse. **3 STAR BEST BETS** offer the highest percentage plays available. A **3 STAR BEST BET** may not be found on every day.

## 3 STAR BEST BETS

Race 1) #10 No Trouble

Race 1	HOU - 02/28 - Turf 1m. 3&up. Clm \$25,000 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 1-2) / Pick 3 (Races 1-2-3) Top 3: 7-5-10 Speed: 10-7-4 Class: 10-7-2 Pace: 9-10-1				7:30/( 6:30)/ 5:30/ 4:30
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	4/1	Road to Eldorado	Wethey Jr. F	Cappellucci D	2: <i>HotJockey</i>
2	2/1	You're On Mute	Fuentes M	Govea C	
3	8/1	Twelve Volt	Jimenez Aburto L M	Calvario S	
4	20/1	Pinehurst	Fuentes M	Sauceda J	4: <i>ExitKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i>
5	12/1	Gunny Highway	Wiseman I	Cravens III R E	10: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i>
6	15/1	Cherokee Sunrise	Wethey Jr. F	Young S E	
*7	3/1	Nerky Rose	Elliott S	Gelner J J	
8	20/1	Ghurair's Warrior	Triana Jr. A	Castellanos J	
9	9/2	Rail Town	Wade L	Willis M J	
***10	6/5	No Trouble	Gonzalez E	Cappellucci D	

Race 2	HOU - 02/28 - Dirt 5f. 3&up. F & M. Clm \$15,000 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 2-3) / Pick 3 (Races 2-3-4) / Pick 4 (Races 2-3-4-5) Top 3: 2-3-7 Speed: 2-4-5 Class: 2-7-4 Pace: 4-2-6				8:00/( 7:00)/ 6:00/ 5:00
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	10/1	City Ghost	Parker D L	Ramirez-Rodriguez A	1: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>
*2	9/5	Madamoussepousse	Manrique F J	Gustafson A	4: <i>HotJockey</i>
3	20/1	British Edge	Bridgmohan J V	Morgan, Jr. K	
4	10/1	Wicked Song	Diaz R	Caldwell J R	
5	15/1	Let Freedom Bling	Cabrera D	Gourneau J	6: <i>HorseForCourse</i> 7: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i>
6	9/2	Bendelene	Diego I V	Padilla C A	
7	3/1	Yvonne's Miss	Gonzalez E	Davidson S N	
8	4/1	Mamashavnahotflash	Wade L	Davidson M B	8: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i>

Race 3	HOU - 02/28 - Dirt 7f. 3&up. OptClm \$10,000 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 3-4) / Pick 3 (Races 3-4-5) Top 3: 4-2-1 Speed: 1-4-3 Class: 1-4-2 Pace: 6-2-1				8:30/( 7:30)/ 6:30/ 5:30
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	5/2	Just Okie	Diego I V	Padilla C A	2: <i>ExitKeyRace</i> 3: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HorseForCourse</i>
2	8/1	Imperial Hornet	Jimenez Aburto L M	Calvario S	
3	5/1	Paluxy	Wethey Jr. F	Young S E	
*4	12/1	Empire's Best	Triana Jr. A	Roberts J B	8: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i>
5	10/1	In the Arch	Sanchez O	Rengstorf T	
6	15/1	Interstellar	Parker D L	Davidson S N	
7	20/1	Bk Rojo	Rivera S	Govea C	
8	4/1	Johnny Applesseed	Elliott S	Willis M J	
9	7/2	Stans Home Run	Valdez-Jiminez E	Jacks K E	

Race 4	HOU - 02/28 - Dirt 6 1/2f. 3&up. Alw \$34,500 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 4-5) / Houston Hi-5 / Pick 3 (Races 4-5-6) / Pick 5 (Races 4 thru 8) Top 3: 5-9-10 Speed: 5-7-9 Class: 5-4-9 Pace: 5-7-9				9:00/( 8:00)/ 7:00/ 6:00
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	30/1	Ru Mor Starter	Triana Jr. A	Jenkins B	7: <i>Clocker Special-4f</i>
2	12/1	Bubba's Reckless	Wethey Jr. F	Gelner J J	
3	20/1	Sparra	Bridgmohan J V	Bryant G R	
4	4/1	Rarotonga	Guerra R	Hurley T R	10: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>
*5	3/1	Tizabell	Cabrera D	Hebert M	
6	30/1	Yo Soy Roy	Gonzalez E	Cappellucci D	
7	8/1	Baby of the Family	Meche C	Martin J B	
8	20/1	Painted Lad	Wiseman I	Pish D	
9	2/1	Proven Advocate	Elliott S	Gelner J J	
10	6/1	Turn North	Parker D L	Ramirez-Rodriguez A	

First Time Lasix: Pg#4

Race 5	HOU - 02/28 - Turf 1m. 3yo. F. MdnClm \$50,000 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 5-6) / Pick 3 (Races 5-6-7) / Pick 4 (Races 5-6-7-8) Top 3: 2-6-5 Speed: 5-2-6 Class: 2-5-6 Pace: 2-5-6				9:30/( 8:30)/ 7:30/ 6:30
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	30/1	Holiday Cruise	Fuentes M	Mallery V	1: <i>HotJockey</i>
*2	1/1	Waver	Elliott S	Asmussen S M	
3	30/1	La Americana C	Gonzalez E	Padilla C A	
4	6/1	Very Unlikely	Alvarez J L	Calhoun W B	4: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>
5	4/1	Airo Dinero	Wiseman I	Clary J R	
6	3/1	Maybe So	Cabrera D	Gourneau J	
7	20/1	Silivas	Wade L	Eoff T	
8	20/1	Julia Ann	Valdez-Jiminez E	Cravens III R E	

Race 6	HOU - 02/28 - Dirt 5 1/2f. 3yo. Alw \$34,500 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 6-7) / Pick 3 (Races 6-7-8) Top 3: 9-5-8 Speed: 9-1-5 Class: 7-1-8 Pace: 1-8-4				10:00/( 9:00)/ 8:00/ 7:00
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	8/1	Ruggles	Triana Jr. A	Davidson M B	3: <i>ExitKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i> 4: <i>HotJockey</i> 5: <i>Clockers-4f (DED)</i> 6: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i> 7: <i>HotTrainer</i>
2	20/1	Beginn for Trouble	Sanchez O	Rengstorf T	
3	12/1	Multiple Opinions	Alvarez J L	Asmussen S M	
4	30/1	Seven Devils Road	Fuentes M	Govea C	
5	9/2	Frozentap	Wethey Jr. F	Gelner J J	
6	15/1	Brody's Treasure	Diego I V	Ashford, Jr. H R	
7	20/1	Good Product	Gonzalez E	Ashford, Jr. H R	
8	5/2	John	Manrique F J	Gustafson A	
*9	7/5	Three Echoes	Elliott S	Asmussen S M	

First Time Lasix: Pg#1,9

Race 7	HOU - 02/28 - Dirt 5 1/2f. 3yo. F. Alw \$34,500 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Daily Double (Races 7-8) Top 3: 6-9-11 Speed: 1-2-9 Class: 6-7-2 Pace: 5-8-1				10:30/( 9:30)/ 8:30/ 7:30
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	20/1	My Boy Vander	Diaz R	Gelner J J	1: <i>HotJockey</i> 2: <i>HotJockey</i> 3: <i>HotJockey</i> 4: <i>ExitPossibleKeyRace</i> <i>HotJockey</i> <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i>
2	10/1	Little Iris	Landeros C	Craddock K	
3	20/1	Ok by Me	Fuentes M	Werneth R A	
4	15/1	Secured	Alvarez J L	Calhoun W B	7: <i>Clocker Special-4f</i>
5	20/1	Diamond Empress	Valdez-Jiminez E	Clary J R	
*6	4/1	Flash Master	Gonzalez E	Gourneau J	
7	6/1	Dutton Street Girl	Cabrera D	Davis S H	9: <i>Clocker Special-4f</i>
8	9/2	Itty Bitty Baby	Wade L	Dupuy A C	
9	10/1	Naval Woman	Diego I V	Pish D	
10	6/1	Competitive Bond	Triana Jr. A	Davidson M B	
11	7/2	Tapit First	Elliott S	Asmussen S M	

First Time Lasix: Pg#2,6,7,10,11

Race 8	HOU - 02/28 - Turf 1m. 3&up. F & M. Alw \$35,000 WPS / Exacta / Trifecta / Superfecta / Houston Hi-Five Top 3: 2-1-7 Speed: 7-3-2 Class: 3-7-6 Pace: 4-2-6				11:00/(10:00)/ 9:00/ 8:00
Pg#	ML	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	Power Play Angles
1	9/2	Super Luxe	Elliott S	Asmussen S M	1: <i>Clocker Special-4f</i>
*2	3/1	Queen of Salsa	Valdez-Jiminez E	Cravens III R E	
3	6/1	Contour	Parker D L	Ramirez-Rodriguez A	
4	12/1	Claire June	Diego I V	Jacks K E	3: <i>BlueChipTrainerPlay</i> <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i> <i>HotTrainer</i> 4: <i>HotTnr/JkyCombo</i>
5	10/1	Show Me the Candy	Bridgmohan J V	Bryant G R	
6	15/1	Deviletta	Triana Jr. A	Asmussen S M	
7	8/5	Geometrique	Diaz R	Caldwell J R	7: <i>DistanceSpecialist</i> <i>HotJockey</i>
8	10/1	Blood Orange	Wiseman I	Hurley T R	

## Track Bias

MEET(01/03-02/21)						WEEK(02/15-02/21)					
Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts		Distance	Races	% Wire	Preferred RunSty	Posts	
5f Dirt	5	60%	E	Rail/Ins		5f Dirt	1	100%	E	Rail/Ins	
5 1/2f Dirt	31	55%	E	Rail/Ins		5 1/2f Dirt	1	0%	E/P	Outside	
6 1/2f Dirt	18	11%	P	Outside		6 1/2f Dirt	4	25%	P	Mid/Out	
7f Dirt	6	17%	P	Outside		7f Dirt	1	0%	E/P	Middle	
1m Turf	18	11%	E/P	Middle		1m Turf	1	0%	P	Middle	

## Blue Chip Trainer Plays

Identifies profitable, high win% trainer angles which are applicable to horses running today.						
RaceHorse	Trainer	Angle	Sts	Win%	ltm%	\$2ROI
#1 No Trouble	Cappellucci Dick	2nd strt w/trn	82	32%	65%	0.01
#2 City Ghost	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	2nd strt w/trn	30	37%	60%	0.48
#3 Paluxy	Young Scott E	Rte to Sprint	146	24%	51%	0.33
#4 Turn North	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	3rd off layoff	37	30%	59%	0.65
#5 Very Unlikely	Calhoun W. Bret	1st Time MdnClmg	84	25%	52%	0.13
#8 Contour	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	Shipper	64	27%	53%	0.15

## Clocker Specials Running Today

Lists the fastest workouts during the past 7 days based on age and distance.							
RaceHorse	Age	Trk	Dis	Date	Time	Day	Age/Dis
#4 Baby Of The Family	4&up	HOU	4f	2/21	0:48 <sup>2</sup> B	2/16	4/86
#6 Frozentap	3yo	DED	4f	2/19	0:49 <sup>2</sup> B	1/6	2/17
#7 Dutton Street Girl	3yo	HOU	4f	2/21	0:48 <sup>3</sup> B	5/16	11/70
#7 Naval Woman	3yo	HOU	4f	2/16	0:48 <sup>1</sup> B	2/70	5/70
#8 Super Luxe	4&up	HOU	4f	2/16	0:48 <sup>3</sup> B	3/70	6/86

## Distance Specialists Running Today

Runners who have performed exceptionally well over the same distance as today's race.							
RaceHorse	Win%	Sts	Wn	PI	Sh	DistSwitch	ClassRank
#2 Yvonne's Miss	38%	8 -	3 -	4 -	1	YES	2/8
#2 Mamashavnahotflash	57%	7 -	4 -	1 -	1	NO	5/8
#3 Paluxy	67%	3 -	2 -	0 -	1	NO	6/9
#8 Geometrique	43%	7 -	3 -	0 -	2	YES	2/8

### Horses Exiting Key Races Today

Lists 'Key Races' - races that have produced multiple horses that won their next start  
and 'Possible Key Races' - one horse won its next start.

RaceHorse	Key Race	Class Level	WnNxtOut/Strs	Finish	Odds
#1 Pinehurst	24Jan256HOU <sup>4</sup>	C1m15000n2l	2/6	4	19.5
#3 Imperial Hornet	03Jan254SA <sup>3</sup>	rOC10000	2/4	3	6.3
#6 Multiple Opinions	24Jan256HOU <sup>3</sup>	C1m15000n2l	2/6	3	9.5
#7 Secured	19Jan252HOU <sup>6</sup>	fAlw34500n2l	1/2	6	10.8

### Horses for Courses Running Today

Runners who have performed exceptionally well over this track and surface.

RaceHorse	Win%	Sts	Wn	Pl	Sh	TrkSwitch	ClassRank
#2 Bendelene	50%	4 -	2 -	1 -	1	YES	4/8
#2 Yvonne's Miss	50%	4 -	2 -	1 -	1	YES	2/8
#3 Paluxy	60%	5 -	3 -	1 -	0	YES	6/9

### Hot Jockeys with Mounts Today

Jockeys with mounts today which have been hot in the past 7 days.

Jockey	Race(Prg#)	Record Last 7 Days			
Alvarez Jose L	5(#4),6(#3),7(#4)	13	4	2	2
Diaz Rene	2(#4),7(#1),8(#7)	10	3	1	1
Fuentes Mario	1(#2),1(#4),5(#1),6(#4),7(#3)	8	2	0	2
Landeros Chris	7(#2)	8	2	0	2

### Hot Trainers with Starters Today

Trainers with starters today which have been hot in the past 14 days.

RaceHorse	Trainer	Record Last 14 Days			
#2 City Ghost	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	2	2	0	0
#4 Turn North	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	2	2	0	0
#5 Very Unlikely	Calhoun W. Bret	8	4	2	1
#6 Brody's Treasure	Ashford, Jr. H. Ray	5	3	1	1
#6 Good Product	Ashford, Jr. H. Ray	5	3	1	1
#7 Secured	Calhoun W. Bret	8	4	2	1
#8 Contour	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel	2	2	0	0

### Hot Trainer/Jockey Combos Today

T/J combos running today which have been hot in the past 14 days.

RaceHorse	Combo	Record Last 14 Days			
#2 City Ghost	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel /Parker Deshawn L	2	2	0	0
#3 Johnny Appleseed	Willis Mindy J/Elliott Stewart	7	2	1	1
#4 Turn North	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel /Parker Deshawn L	2	2	0	0
#5 Very Unlikely	Calhoun W. Bret/Alvarez Jose L	6	3	2	1
#6 Brody's Treasure	Ashford, Jr. H. Ray/Diego Iram V	3	2	0	1
#7 Secured	Calhoun W. Bret/Alvarez Jose L	6	3	2	1
#8 Claire June	Jacks Karen E/Diego Iram V	8	2	2	1
#8 Contour	Ramirez-Rodriguez Abel /Parker Deshawn L	2	2	0	0