

R1 SAINT-CLOUD [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE FLORE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 73,200

- 1. INDALIMOS** - Not reliable and finished 7th in a Listed race at this course over 2000m on 2 October. Did better in a Group 3 before that and can earn some minor money
- 2. QUALIXIA** - Has been disappointing this year and was 11th in a Listed race at Naas over 1600m on 11 October. Did much better last year and could be a danger back in France
- 3. AZANIYA** - Returned to form when runner-up in a Listed race at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 2 October. Likes this course and could be involved in the finish once again
- 4. MISS JUSTICE** - Bounced back to her best with a victory in a Listed race at this course over 2000m on 2 October. Must be respected for that and could double up
- 5. SINDRIA** - Often competitive and was third in a Group 3 at Gowran Park over 1800m on 19 September. Should fight out the finish once again
- 6. TEMAPICA** - Unbeaten in two starts at this track, the latest in a Listed race over 2400m on 11 September. Capable of following up with another success
- 7. YMEEELIH** - Only 7th in a handicap at ParisLongchamp over 2000m on 4 October. Consistent before that but has more to do to beat these rivals
- 8. WOODY FRANGIPANI** - Much improved of late and was successful in a Listed race at Compiègne over 2000m on 9 October. Faces a tougher task but might earn some money
- 9. HOSEKI** - Has won five of her last six starts, including last time out at Newmarket over 2000m on 2 October. Can be a threat

Summary: Although entered in Group 1 contests over Arc weekend, TEMAPICA (6) has ultimately been kept fresh for this assignment, with conditions expected to suit on ground she relishes. The main dangers may come from the visiting runners, notably SINDRIA (5), who shaped with plenty of promise in an Irish Group 3, and MISS JUSTICE (4), who impressed last time out under Christophe Soumillon. AZANIYA (3), a Listed winner over this course last autumn, also warrants plenty of respect.

SELECTIONS

TEMAPICA (6) - SINDRIA (5) - MISS JUSTICE (4) - AZANIYA (3)

C2 - CRITERIUM INTERNATIONAL - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 250,000

1. ZAKKAN - Confirmed what he is capable of with a Group 3 success at Chantilly over 1600m on 19 September. Faces a tougher task this time but can't be ruled out

2. FIRST LAW - Suffered his first defeat in three starts with a fourth-place finish in a Group 2 at Newmarket over 1600m on 26 September. Capable of making the frame

3. GYMBAAZY - Returned to form with a Group 3 victory at Baden-Baden over 1400m on 1 September. Has a tougher task in this line-up

4. CAPABILITY BROWN - Clearly improving and is seeking a hat-trick after winning a Group 3 at Leopardstown over 1400m on 17 October. Can beat these rivals

5. ALFRED WALLACE - Not reliable and was 9th in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over 1400m on 4 October. Capable of doing better and might play a minor role

6. AIX LA CHAPELLE - Successful on debut and has not been disgraced in two starts since then, the latest when fifth in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over 1400m on 4 October. Capable of scoring

7. MASTER MAN - Has won three of five starts, including last time out in a Class 2 Conditions race at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 3 October. Can be competitive

Summary: Successful in the last two renewals of this Group 1, Aidan O'Brien will be hoping to strike again with CAPABILITY BROWN (4), who will be partnered by Ryan Moore for the first time, and AIX LA CHAPELLE (6), who finished fifth in the Prix Jean-Luc Lagardère over 7f at Longchamp last time out. The home team is headed by the versatile and consistent MASTER MAN (7), who steps up in class with realistic claims. ZAKKAN (1) is another to consider, having shown improvement and possessing a smart turn of foot.

SELECTIONS

CAPABILITY BROWN (4) - AIX LA CHAPELLE (6) - MASTER MAN (7) - ZAKKAN (1)

C3 - PRIX PERTH - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 73,200

1. DREAMLINER - Has not been disgraced of late and was 6th in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 6 September. Has won his last two Group 3 races and must be respected for that

2. CLAVUS - Continues to improve and has won his last four starts, the latest in a Listed race at Vichy over 1600m on 24 July. Returns from a short break and tackles stronger opposition this time

3. CALAS - Has been consistent all year and was victorious last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 1600m on 1 September. Faces a tougher task this time but is game and might play a minor role

4. HALF HALF - At the top of his game and was a gallant winner of a handicap at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 3 October. Capable of making the frame

5. TUMBLER - Has only been fair of late and finished 5th in a Group 3 at Deauville over 1600m on 30 August. Needs to find a few lengths to score

6. CROWN OF OAKS - Bounced back to form when runner-up in a Listed race at Sandown over 1600m on 16 September. The distance suits and he can play a minor role

7. PRINCESS CHILD - Much improved of late and was successful in a Listed race at Naas over 1600m on 11 October. Capable of doubling up if in the same mood

8. ELASTIC - Not disgraced when 6th in a Group 2 at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 3 October. Capable of getting involved in the finish

9. FORTUNA DIAMOND - Returned to form with a Group 3 success at Cologne over 1400m on 27 September. Capable of follow up this distance

10. MERIDEN - Bounced back with a Listed race victory at Listowel over 1600m on 22 September. Faces a tougher task this time but has a minor place chance

Summary: Well placed in the weight, ELASTIC (8) remains unbeaten at Saint-Cloud and will be looking to land a first Group success. Fellow three-year-old FORTUNA DIAMOND (9) is also ideally positioned at the foot of the weights and teams up with William Buick for the first time. HALF HALF (4) made a winning start to his partnership with Christophe Soumillon last time. DREAMLINER (1) is worth another chance on this sort of ground.

SELECTIONS

ELASTIC (8) - FORTUNA DIAMOND (9) - HALF HALF (4) - DREAMLINER (1)

C4 - CRITERIUM DE SAINT-CLOUD - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 250,000

1. **SHAKESPEARE** - Not at all disgraced when fourth in a Group 2 at the Curragh over 1600m on 26 September. Can make the frame
2. **AL JABBAR** - Has been consistent so far and was third in a Group 3 at Newmarket over 1600m on 10 October. Has been supplemented for this and can't be ruled out
3. **ROYAL ACCLAMATION** - Picked up a first success at Goodwood over 1800m on 11 October. Faces a tougher task this time but might surprise
4. **VICTORY SPEECH** - Tried Group 1 company and was only 9th at Leopardstown over 1800m on 12 September. Likely to do better this time and can earn some money
5. **JESUS GREEN** - Clearly talented and picked up a first success last time out at Navan over 1600m on 7 October. Capable of following up
6. **DRUMBEAT** - Still improving and was victorious last time out in a Group 3 at Newmarket over 2000m on 10 October. The distance suits and he can score
7. **JUST YET** - Improving and scored a Group 3 win over this track and trip on 2 October. Should be involved in the finish once again

Summary: Won by either Aidan or Joseph O'Brien in each of the last three years, this Group 1 could once again fall to the Irish training dynasty. Aidan O'Brien is represented by DRUMBEAT (6), who impressed at Newmarket, while his son saddles the consistent and progressive JESUS GREEN (5), who made a particularly strong impression when finishing 2nd in a Group 1 two starts ago. AL JABBAR (2) has been supplemented for a good reason. SHAKESPEARE (1) could capitalise if some of the leading contenders happen to underperform.

SELECTIONS

DRUMBEAT (6) - JESUS GREEN (5) - AL JABBAR (2) - SHAKESPEARE (1)

C5 - PRIX DE L'ELEVAGE - 2500m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 50,900

- 1. AGILE** - Has only been modest of late and finished 6th in a Class 3 Conditions race at Deauville over 1900m on 5 October. Capable of an upset on best form
- 2. SHRIHARA** - Returned to form when runner-up in a Class 1 handicap at ParisLongchamp over this distance on 3 October. Can go one place better
- 3. MAIA STAR** - In good shape and finished fourth in a Class 2 handicap at Compiègne over 2800m on 15 September. Capable of making the frame
- 4. AMERICAN GLORY** - Unreliable and was unplaced in a Class 1 handicap at ParisLongchamp over 2000m on 4 October. Capable of earning some money
- 5. HASAPIKO** - Off form and finished 12th in a handicap at Deauville over this distance on 18 August. Needs to find a few lengths to score
- 6. WEEMAGATEE** - Victorious last time out in a Class 3 handicap at Deauville over this distance on 18 August. Carries a penalty but might double up
- 7. AME D'OR** - Victorious in three of her last four starts, including last time out in a Class 4 Conditions race at La Rochelle-Posay over 2400m on 11 October. Can earn some money
- 8. CRISTABEL** - Holding her form and was fourth in a Class 2 Conditions race at Craon over 3000m on 28 September. Has claims in a very open looking race
- 9. MARINALEDA** - Unreliable but arrives for this after a Class 3 Conditions race success at Fontainebleau over 2200m on 20 September. Faces a tougher task but can't be ruled out
- 10. BRITANIA** - Has shown improvement of late and finished fourth in a Class 4 Conditions race at Royan over 2900m on 19 September. More is needed to beat these rivals
- 11. GOLDEN BELLE** - Not reliable but was third in a Class 4 Conditions race at Royan over 2900m on 19 September. Capable of getting involved with the finish once again
- 12. FOXEY LADY** - Not reliable but did run well when fourth in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Can be competitive once again
- 13. NANCY DES PLACES** - Consistent so far and was victorious in a Class 3 Conditions race at Compiègne over 2400m on 15 September. Can get into the mix once again
- 14. TEARDROP EXPLODES** - Disappointing last time out when 9th in a claimer at ParisLongchamp over 1950m on 13 October. Was victorious over this course and distance before that and is not out of it
- 15. JANAH** - Usually competitive and finished third in a Class 3 handicap at Compiègne over 2000m on 24 September. Can fight out the finish yet again
- 16. GAREYA** - Yet to win a race but has been consistent and was runner-up in a Conditions race at Lyon-Parilly over 2000m on 6 October. Tries a handicap and cannot be ruled out

Summary: A good finisher in the Quinté Handicap on July 19, CRISTABEL (8) has since posted some solid performances in both handicaps and conditions races. Back in this sphere, she looks to face opposition within her range. JANAH (15) made a very promising reappearance and should come on for that effort, making her a serious contender. GOLDEN BELLE (11) also merits consideration, having become better treated by the handicapper in recent months. Carina Fey's pair NANCY DES PLACES (13) and SHRIHARA (2) are both in good form and will be hoping to get involved in the finish.

SELECTIONS

CRISTABEL (8) - JANAH (15) - GOLDEN BELLE (11) - NANCY DES PLACES (13)

C6 - PRIX ROYAL-OAK - 3100m (a2m) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 350,000

- 1. AL NAYYIR** - Bounced back to his best with a Group 2 success at York over 3250m on 21 August. The distance suits and he can follow up
- 2. QUEENSTOWN** - Always gives of her best and was runner-up in a Group 1 at Ascot over 3200m on 17 October. Should win this year
- 3. DOUBLE MAJOR** - Is clearly not at his very best but remains competitive and was fourth in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over 4000m on 3 October. Can contest the finish
- 4. CHALLY CHUTE** - Picked up his first victory of the year when scoring at the Curragh over 3400m on 27 September. Faces a tougher task this time but can't be ruled out
- 5. CONSENT** - Has held his form well and was fourth in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over 2800m on 3 October. Can get involved in the finish once again
- 6. HIGHARA** - Has shown improved form in Germany of late and won a Listed race at Mülheim over 3300m on 10 October. Needs to do more to beat these rivals
- 7. JABRACADABRA** - Seeking a hat-trick after some solid wins, the latest in a Group 2 at ParisLongchamp over 3000m on 3 October. Clearly not out of it
- 8. AMELIA EARHART** - Did not show her best when 6th in a Group 1 at Ascot over 3200m on 17 October. Can bounce back and be a threat to these rivals

Summary: Runner-up in this race last year, QUEENSTOWN (2) is a model of consistency and makes plenty of appeal as a solid top selection. AL NAYYIR (1) remains remarkably game at the age of eight and boasts a perfect record from his sole start at Saint-Cloud. DOUBLE MAJOR (3) is expected to bring the curtain down on his career in a race he has already won twice. JABRACADABRA (7) continues to enjoy a fairytale journey with his connections and could progress further to land the prize.

SELECTIONS

QUEENSTOWN (2) - AL NAYYIR (1) - DOUBLE MAJOR (3) - JABRACADABRA (7)

C7 - PRIX BELLE DE NUIT - 2800m (a2m) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 73,200

- 1. RYKA** - Does not always show her best but did run well when fourth in a Group 3 at Newmarket over 2400m on 25 September. Capable of making the frame once again
- 2. ELEGANZ** - Not at all disgraced when fifth in a Group 1 at ParisLongchamp over this distance on 3 October. Could bounce back and beat these rivals
- 3. BESET** - Remains in good shape and was runner-up in a Listed race at Naas over 2400m on 11 October. Can get into the mix once again
- 4. LITTLE DORRIT** - Often competitive and finished third in a Listed race at Bath over 2800m on 8 October. Could earn some minor money at very best
- 5. MAHIYA** - Consistent and finished third in a Listed race at this course over 2000m on 2 October. On a long losing run but might play a minor role
- 6. LE COMBAT CONTINUE** - Much improved of late and was successful for the second time in a row, winning a Listed race at Lyon-Parilly over 2400m on 26 September. Might play a minor role
- 7. CARDINAL POINT** - Very unreliable but was runner-up in a Class 2 Conditions race at this course over 2400m on 18 September. Faces a tougher task this time
- 8. FRANCES ETHEL** - Yet to win a race since leaving South Africa and was 9th in a Group 3 at Newmarket over 2400m on 25 September. More is needed to score
- 9. QUEST FOR MAGIC** - Has improved this year and finished fourth in a Group 2 at ParisLongchamp over 2400m on 6 September. Has claims in this line-up
- 10. LADY VIVIAN** - Has only been modest of late and finished 6th in a Listed race at Bath over 2800m on 8 October. Others make more appeal
- 11. BRILLIANT STAR** - Had a couple of these rivals behind her when scoring in a Listed race at Bath over 2800m on 8 October. Can double up
- 12. PIERIAN** - Probably better over a shorter distance but was fourth in a Listed race at Bath over this distance on 8 October. Might earn some minor money
- 13. ZLATA** - Returns from a short break after finishing 5th in a Group 2 at ParisLongchamp over 2400m on 14 July. Would not be a surprise winner

Summary: BRILLIANT STAR (11) made a pleasing impression on her recent reappearance, showing she stays this sort of trip, and will bid to follow up on that success with Christophe Soumillon aboard for the first time. However, she faces some strong opposition, notably ELEGANZ (2), who finished fifth at the highest level last time out, and the experienced BESET (3). QUEST FOR MAGIC (9) has plenty of stamina and cannot be excluded of the equation.

SELECTIONS

BRILLIANT STAR (11) - ELEGANZ (2) - BESET (3) - QUEST FOR MAGIC (9)

C8 - PRIX DES HARAS - 2500m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25,900

1. **NOTIONI FAL** - Unreliable and was unplaced in a handicap at this course over 2000m on 8 October. Has a place chance on best form
2. **SEVENNA'S BAY** - Remains in very good shape and was runner-up in a Class 3 handicap over this track and trip on 2 October. Can go one place better
3. **WASABI** - Has only been fair of late and finished 5th in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Can get into the mix of things once again
4. **LOFSONGUR ISLANDE** - Did not show her best when 9th in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Was in good form before that and has a place chance
5. **BRIONA** - Not reliable and was unplaced in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Needs to find a few lengths to score
6. **ALPE MOTTA** - Off form and finished 11th in a Class 3 handicap at Chantilly over 1800m on 4 September. Needs to do more to score
7. **VIANETA** - Disappointing last time out when tenth in a Class 3 handicap at this course over 2400m on 25 September. Had some good wins before that and can't be ruled out
8. **QUEEN D'AUNOU** - Not reliable and was 13th in a Class 3 handicap at ParisLongchamp over 2400m on 13 October. Capable of earning some money when she is in the right mood
9. **CLICCLIC PANPANPAN** - Has shown improvement of late and was runner-up in a Class 3 handicap at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 14 October. Should be a threat to these rivals
10. **FLEUR D'ORANGER** - Victorious in a Maiden at Toulouse over 2,400m on 23 September, Tougher task this time but can't be ruled out
11. **ILUMINE PRECIEUSE** - Has only been modest of late and finished 6th in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Capable of making the frame
12. **AUTOROUTE** - Has only been moderate of late and was 7th in a handicap at Craon over 2400m on 28 September. More is needed to score
13. **LORNE** - Unreliable and finished 7th in a Class 3 handicap over this course and distance on 2 October. Capable of doing better and has a place chance
14. **PINGO** - Off form and finished 9th in a Class 3 handicap at this course over 2000m on 14 October. More is needed to beat these rivals
15. **QUEENFLEUR** - Threatening to score and was runner-up in a Class 3 handicap at this course over 2000m on 14 October. Should be competitive once again

Summary: Narrowly beaten over this course and distance on October 2, SEVENNA'S BAY (2) finished ahead of five of today's rivals that day but was arguably unsuited by the way the race unfolded, having been left to chase the leaders. CLICCLIC PANPANPAN (9), third that day, has won four times at Saint-Cloud and deserves plenty of respect. WASABI (3) finished fifth and made a good impression. ILUMINE PRECIEUSE (11), who teams up with Maxime Guyon for the first time here, is worth some consideration.

SELECTIONS

SEVENNA'S BAY (2) - CLICCLIC PANPANPAN (9) - WASABI (3) - ILUMINE PRECIEUSE (11)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day

BRILLIANT STAR (711)

Outsider of the day

RYKA (701)

Reverse forecast

JESUS GREEN (405) - DRUMBEAT (406)

Three pick of the day

QUEENSTOWN (602) - BRILLIANT STAR (711) - SEVENNA'S BAY (802)