

**SATURDAY 4TH
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OCTOBER 2025**

PARISLONGCHAMP

QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE



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MEDIA GUIDE





QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE 2025

A GLOBAL EVENT IN THE WORLD OF HORSE RACING

The whole world will be tuned into ParisLongchamp for the grand finale of horse racing!

On 4 and 5 October 2025, the eyes of the horse racing world will turn to the ParisLongchamp racecourse for the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe weekend.

Often described as the World Cup final of horse racing, this legendary event draws the finest thoroughbreds from around the globe, including Japan, England, Ireland, Germany and, of course, France.

This sporting highlight will be broadcast live in 60 countries, with 35,000 spectators expected to fill the stands at ParisLongchamp. The Arc has been officially named the world's best horse race five times in the past decade and is renowned for the exceptionally high quality of its starters. Its rating makes it one of the most difficult races to win and it is the dream target for every owner, trainer and jockey in the world!

The 2025 edition will mark the 104th renewal of the Arc, a rare longevity that underscores its enduring prestige and status as one of the great fixtures of the sporting calendar.





World Champions at the start !

The contenders carry not only the hopes of their connections but also the pride of their nations. Bred at the world's most prestigious stud farms, they descend from champions of the past and possess extraordinary physical qualities that allow them to reach speeds of almost 70 km/h.

Before competing in the Arc, they will have already won the most prestigious races in their home countries. In France, the path to the Arc runs through the Arc Races, a qualifying circuit featuring the highlights of the domestic calendar. On the first Sunday in October, one of these elite thoroughbreds will be crowned World Champion.



Riding them will be the best international jockeys, many of whom make the journey to France each year for the chance to compete in this iconic race. To be asked to ride in the Arc, a jockey must have already won major races. Success in those international competitions implies that the jockey has « good hands », which means that he or she is able to form a genuine connection with the horse to allow it to produce its best performance. At speeds exceeding 60 km/h, a jockey must also show tactical brilliance, knowing when to hold back and when to strike.

An electrifying atmosphere in the ParisLongchamp stand

Nearly 35 000 spectators, representing around fifty nationalities, are expected to fill the stands of the ParisLongchamp racecourse during this important sporting weekend. Each nationality cheers on its champions, their voices rising with every stride towards the finish line. The atmosphere is truly international and the roar coming from the stand is nothing short of breathtaking.



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THE EVENT THAT WILL REVEAL THE STARTERS

A STRATEGIC MOMENT : STARTERS ARE REVEALED
AND STARTING POSITIONS DRAWN.

Throughout the season, at major race meetings in France and on the world's most prestigious racecourses, the list of potential Arc runners gradually takes shape. Yet it is only three days before the event that connections officially confirm their horse's participation and the name of its jockey.

Once these declarations are made, France Galop, the organiser of the race, will carry out the very much anticipated draw that determines the starting position. It is an event that each year takes place at a different prestigious Parisian venue.



THE « LUCKY » STARTING GATES

Some starting gates seem to be particularly lucky... Connections of runners always hope for a good draw. Single numbers, close to the rail, are the most sought-after :

THE LUCKIEST STARTING GATES SINCE 1992 :

- GATE 6 : **6 victories** and 4 places (2 to 5)
- GATE 3 : **4 victories** and 9 places
- GATE 2 : **4 victories** and 7 places

The winner of the 2024 renewal of the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe came out of gate 3.

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**WEEKEND
OF 4 & 5
OCTOBER**



QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE

PARISLONGCHAMP

**A MAJOR WEEKEND OF CELEBRATIONS : A REAL WORLD CUP FINAL
ATMOSPHERE, FANS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND THE WOR-
LD'S BIGGEST HORSE RACE.**

The power of the horses charging by, the thunder of hooves as they make up ground, the introduction of jockeys in the parade ring, and the roar of an euphoric crowd as the runners surge towards the finish line just metres away will create an extraordinary experience! Let yourself be swept up in the intensity and emotion of the world's greatest horse race.

Enjoy the entertainment around the racecourse, the rousing sounds of the marching band to the pageantry of the Republican Guard, with the opportunity to take a photo alongside the iconic Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe trophy.

The final race does not mark the end of the celebrations. At every major race meeting on a Saturday and Sunday, evenings continue with music and clinking of glasses, as families and friends continue the festivities, right up until the racecourse gates close at 21H30.



SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE: MAKE YOUR CHOICE ON WWW.FRANCEGALOP-LIVE.COM

NEW FOR 2025 : THE ARC VILLAGE : LEARN ABOUT HORSE RACING WHILE HAVING FUN !

You have never seen a horse race and believe the Arc is only for insiders ? Think again ! With the Arc Village, France Galop opens the doors to a spectacular world at the heart of the ParisLongchamp racecourse, accessible to everyone.

Here, you can discover, learn and enjoy everything about horse racing.

Guided by passionate experts, you'll master the basics of racing in no time at all : reading the race card, understanding how the betting works, watching jockeys weigh in and out, trying out the race simulator, or admire the horses.

A day of festivities : educational activities, DJ sets, food & drinks at reasonable prices, an official shop and a unique experience high above the

track with Le Sommet de l'Arc, offering a view of the racecourse like never before. Whether you come with family, friends or simply out of curiosity, the Arc Village is the perfect place to experience the excitement and intensity of the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

Open exclusively on Sunday. Tickets are only €10 at the France Galop Ticket Office





A NEW ATTRACTION : THE « SOMMET DE L'ARC », AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE !

Picture yourself, a glass of champagne in hand and a delicate macaron to savour, seated high above the track with the bustling ParisLongchamp grandstand in front of you....

The « Sommet de l'Arc » offers the most exhilarating experience of the weekend : a

gourmet, spectacular and unforgettable way to watch the races like never before.

From your seat, enjoy a breathtaking view of the horses racing towards the finish-line, the jubilant crowd and the electric atmosphere of the Arc. Reservations are available for each race : it is

a rare chance to immerse yourself in the thrill, suspended between sky and track, as close as possible to the excitement.

Tickets start at €80 per person and can be booked through the France Galop Ticket Office.



DID YOU KNOW ?

UNUSUAL FACTS AND FIGURES ABOUT THE QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE

**35 000
SPECTATORS**

and 50 nationalities fill the stands
of the ParisLongchamp
racecourse

2 600

PEOPLE ARE MOBILISED

to welcome the public and horses at
ParisLongchamp, performing nearly
200 different jobs.

100 M€

IS WAGERED WORLDWIDE

across 60 countries
dans setting a new record.

HOW MUCH CAN YOU EARN IN THE ARC ?

The **5M€** Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe is the race with the highest prize-money
in the the French racing calendar. Prize-money is distributed among the first five finishers :

1st :	2 857 000 €
2nd :	1 143 000 €
3rd :	571 500 €
4th :	285 500 €
5th :	143 000 €

PRIZE-MONEY WON BY A HORSE IS DISTRIBUTED AMONG CONNECTIONS AS FOLLOWS :

76,75 %

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF THE HORSE

14,75 %

TO THE TRAINER
(OF WHICH 4% GOES TO HIS STABLE STAFF)

8,5 %

TO THE JOCKEY

FRANCE, HOME OF ARC CHAMPIONS WITH 66 VICTORIES IN THE ARC

French horses (the nationality of the winner is determined by the country where it is trained) occupy a prominent place in the history of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

FRANCE
66 VICTORIES
(ACE IMPACT IN 2023)

ROYAUME-UNI
19 VICTORIES
(BLUESTOCKING IN 2024)

IRLANDE
8 VICTORIES
(FOUND IN 1988)

ITALIE
7 VICTORIES
(TONY BIN IN 2016)

ALLEMAGNE
3 VICTORIES
(TORQUATOR TASSO IN 2021)



THE GERMAN FILLY **DANEDREAM** WON THE QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE IN **2' 24.49** IN 2011. THE RECORD STILL STANDS.



SINCE 1969, THE JAPANESE HAVE BEEN DREAMING ABOUT THE ARC

The Japanese are famously passionate and don't mind staying up late on the night of 4-5 October to watch the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe live and back their national champions. Many fans make the journey to ParisLongchamp to witness the race in person. Nowhere is the passion stronger than in Japan, where the Arc has become a long-standing dream. Since a Japanese horse first lined up in 1969, victory in

this legendary challenge has remained just out of reach.

Once again this year, horses traveling from Japan will arrive several weeks in advance at the Chantilly training centre to acclimatise and to prepare themselves for the Qatar Arc Trials and the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe.

PORTRAIT : THE JAPANESE AMBITIONS OF FRENCH JOCKEY CHRISTOPHE-PATRICE LEMAIRE

After establishing himself among the French Flat racing elite, with more than 1,100 victories including 25 Group 1 wins in the silks of prestigious owners such as the Aga Khan, Christophe-Patrice Lemarie chose to base himself in Japan in 2014.

The first foreign jockey to be granted a permanent licence in Japan, he has since dominated the

local racing scene, securing seven consecutive Champion Jockey titles. Fully integrated and bilingual, he has become a true star: a regular on TV shows, close to his fans, an entrepreneur with his own clothing brand and an upcoming boutique in Kyoto. Even music is part of his world, with a hip-hop album already available on streaming platforms!

In 2025, he will line up for the Arc in pursuit of a dream: to finally give Japan a victory in the world's greatest race



TOP SPEEDS FOR EXCEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Horses lining up at the start of the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe are among the world's elite thoroughbreds, combining extraordinary physical and mental qualities that jockeys channel into their race tactics.



Thanks to the precision tracking system developed by McLloyd, each phase of the race is recorded with unrivalled accuracy. The speeds recorded are breathtaking :

From the moment the gates open, the power of horses accelerating is unbelievable : Westover went from 0 to 56 km/h in just 5,3 seconds covering less than 200 metres.

Over the 2 400 metres of the race, average speeds can reach 60km/h, as was the case for Ace Impact in 2023.

During the final sprint over the last 400 metres, Westover recorded speeds of 69,59 km/h !



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**DOHA
TRIPLE
CROWN**

**QATAR
ARABIAN
WORLD CUP**

THE « ARC » FOR PUREBRED ARABIANS

France has a long – and unbroken- tradition of breeding Purebred Arabians , especially for racing . In 2008 , the Qatar Racing & Equestrian Club (QREC) and France Galop decided to work together to find the best way of keeping alive this unwavering link that for many decades has united the two countries. And that's when a completely innovative idea was born : to take the magic recipe of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe – an international world championship for three-year-old and older horses, run over a distance that demands stamina and speed – and adapt it to Purebred Arabians. And so , the Qatar Arabian World Cup was born !

From the very first year, the new race was a huge success . It benefited from the limelight cast by the prestigious Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe , which takes place on the same day at ParisLongchamp and which gave it a new aura, attracting the world's leading Purebred Arabian owners from Qatar, the United Arab Emirates , Saudi Arabia, Oman, France, the United States, the Netherlands , the Czech Republic , Poland , Russia, Turkey, Tunisia, England, Iraq, Switzerland, Morocco, Bulgaria etc. Its prize money (currently 1 million Euros) is the highest for a Purebred Arabian race in the Western Hemisphere.

#QREC #QAWC

In response to the enthusiasm generated by the Qatar Arabian World Cup and to build on it, the QREC and France Galop also created three other major races, all Group 1 P/A races (the highest level in the competition) that take place over the same Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe weekend: The Qatar Arabian Trophy for colts, the Qatar Arabian Trophy for fillies (Friday at Saint Cloud) and the Qatar Arabian Trophy for mares (Saturday at ParisLongchamp). Hence, over the course of three major race days on Arc weekend, the Purebred Arabian breed will be showcasing the very best it has to offer from around the world.

Finally, as the icing on the cake of the Purebred Arabian program, the QREC invented the Triple Crown for Purebred Arabians. To be crowned a Triple Crown winner, the same horse must lift the three major events in the challenge, which takes place in three different countries, at three different times of the year and over three different distances! It doesn't get any more challenging than that! The first leg of the Triple Crown takes place in July at Goodwood (England) with the Qatar International Stakes over 1,600 meters; it continues at ParisLongchamp in October with the Qatar Arabian World Cup over 2,000 meters, and finishes in

Doha (Qatar) in February of the following year with the HH the Amir Sword over 2,400 meters.

This last event is not only the grand finale of the Triple Crown...It is also the jewel in the crown of the most prestigious race meeting in the year in Qatar.

Al Ghadeer became the second legendary horse to clinch the Doha Triple Crown two years in a row 2024 and 2025 following Ebraz's accomplishment in 2020.



DOHA TRIPLE CROWN

GOODWOOD | PARISLONGCHAMP | AL RAYYAN

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QATAR
RACING & EQUESTRIAN CLUB

QREC, THE OFFICIAL PARTNER OF THE QATAR PRIX DE L'ARC DE TRIOMPHE

The QREC was established in the early 1960s before achieving official recognition in 1975. It is mandated with representing, promoting and advancing equine and equestrian initiatives, from grassroots programmes to the international arena. Focused on equestrian sport and horse welfare, the QREC is dedicated to promoting Qatar as a world class hub for horse racing and a leader in the Pure Arabian breed.

The QREC works in collaboration with local bodies dedicated to achieving excellence in planning, regulation and the development of Qatar's racing industry to reflect the world's best practices. The QREC has been partner of the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe since 2008, and from 2022, it also became the title partner of the Qatar Prix du Jockey Club, one of the most important races for the selection of the breed.



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EXCELLENCE IN HORSE RACING FOR ALL AUDIENCES

A key player in the French horse racing industry, the France Galop association works tirelessly to develop and promote French horse racing.

It has multiple missions. France Galop is an association with a public service mission. It organises and regulates horse racing in France with the aim of improving the racehorse breed (both Flat and Jumping) by promoting the breeding industry, encouraging ownership and training of racehorses. It operates under the authority of the Ministry of Agriculture, Budget and Interior.

Its main mission is to: organise the French racing fixture list, ensure the smooth running of racing, lead the fight against doping, run the operations

of the five most important racecourses (Auteuil, Chantilly, Deauville, ParisLongchamp and Saint-Cloud) and three training centres (Chantilly, Deauville and Maisons-Laffite), encourage the breeding and training of racehorses, ensure the integrity of the races, support racing professionals and promote French races internationally.

France Galop also brings unique expertise in **«Sportainment»**, a seamless blend of top-level sport and immersive spectator experience. Through flagship events like the **Prix de Diane Longines, the Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris, the Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe**, as well as festive meetings like the **JeuXdi by ParisLongchamp** and **Family Day Out Events**, France Galop turns

every race day into a celebration of sharing, discovery and excitement.

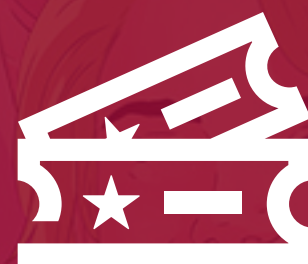
In September, the unprecedented event **«Les Chevaux à la Concorde»** will once again highlight France Galop's commitment to make horse racing accessible to the public. By bringing the sport to the heart of Paris, it invites young and old alike to enjoy a unique experience, with equestrian demonstrations, educational activities, and meetings with key figures from the world of horse racing.



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