

HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT CHARLES TOWN RACES - April 17, 2026 - Race 8

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR ACCREDITED WEST VIRGINIA-BRED MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE, FOUR, FIVE, AND SIX YEARS OLD.

Older, 126 lbs.; Three Year Olds, 120 lbs. Claiming Price \$7,500, if for \$7,000, allowed 2 lbs. (S) **Claiming Price:** \$7,500 - \$7,000

Distance: Four And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Immortal Eyes - 50.09 - April 16, 2011)

Purse: \$16,200

Available Money: \$16,200

Value of Race: \$16,200 1st \$9,552, 2nd \$3,184, 3rd \$1,592, 4th \$796, 5th \$478, 6th \$318, 7th \$140, 8th \$140

Weather: Cloudy, 68° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 10:47 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Mar26 ¹ CT ⁴	7	Shessweetlikecandy (Maldonado, Christian) <small>VA CERTIFIED</small>	124	L	5	3	6 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ /2	1 ³ /4	2.40	5w,frenzied rally up
26Mar26 ⁸ CT ⁵	4	I'd Rather Not (Davis, Jacqueline)	124	--	4	5	2 ¹ /2	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	1.10*	reluctant,vie/btw,game
19Mar26 ¹ CT ⁴	9	Amama (Diaz, Jr., Sunday) <small>VA CERTIFIED</small>	120	L b	7	2	7 ⁴	6 ¹	3 ¹ /2	6.20	bid btw1/8,willingly
27Mar26 ⁴ CT ³	1	Unusual Bay (Santaella, Moises)	126	L b	1	7	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹	4 ⁴ 3/4	7.20	sent,vie ins,evenly
27Mar26 ⁴ CT ⁴	2	Ekati Indian (Nunez, Juan)	122	L b	2	8	8	8	5 ^{Neck}	25.60	sluggish st,mildly str
27Mar26 ⁴ CT ⁵	3	Lady Espresso (Espinoza, Alexis)	120	L b	3	6	4 ¹ /2	5 ¹	6 ¹	29.10	chase ins1/4,empty str
7Mar26 ¹ CT ⁵	8	Carmelized (Larrosa, Gustavo)	126	L f	6	4	5 ¹ 1/2	7 ³	7 ⁵ 1/4	27.40	off pace4w,no threat
28Mar26 ³ CT ⁴	10	Eyesonthe candy (Ebow III, Warren)	117	L f	8	1	3 ²	3 ¹	8	9.50	press3w1/4,faltered

Fractional Times: 22.98 48.02

Final Time: 54.65 **Time from Gate:** 55.42

Split Times: (25:04) (6:63)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Shessweetlikecandy, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by Candygram out of Sweet Aimee, by Keyed Entry. Foaled Apr 21, 2022 in West Virginia.

Breeder: Taylor Mountain Farm

Owner: Jacob G. Hess

Trainer: Hess, Jacob

1 Claimed Horse(s): Amama

New Trainer: Jean L. Adorno

New Owner: Valls Thoroughbreds LLC

Claiming Prices: 7 - Shessweetlikecandy: \$7,000; 4 - I'd Rather Not: \$7,000; 9 - Amama: \$7,500; 1 - Unusual Bay: \$7,500; 2 - Ekati Indian: \$7,500; 3 - Lady Espresso: \$7,500; 8 - Carmelized: \$7,500; 10 - Eyesonthe candy: \$7,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Breadman'shoneybun (Stewards), She's a Brickhouse (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$91,872

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool	Carryover
7	Shessweetlikecandy	6.80	3.20	2.20	\$1.00 Exacta	7-4	8.90	63,825	
4	I'd Rather Not		2.40	2.20	\$1.00 Trifecta	7-4-9	26.10	43,390	
9	Amama			2.40	\$1.00 Superfecta	7-4-9-1	75.30	41,438	
					\$2.00 Daily Double	6-7	63.20	27,050	
					\$1.00 Pick 3	2-6-7 (3 correct)	248.30	33,660	
					\$1.00 Pick 4	8-2-6-7 (4 correct)	1,058.40	122,562	
					\$1.00 Pick 5	7-8-2-6-7 (5 correct)	16,237.60	91,116	
					\$1.00 Pick 6 Jackpot	7-7-8-2-6-7 (4 correct)	426.70	9,829	9,284

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	Str	Fin
7	Shessweetlikecandy	3	6 ⁴ 1/2	4 ²	1 ³ /4
4	I'd Rather Not	5	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ³ /4
9	Amama	2	7 ⁶	6 ³ 1/2	3 ² 1/4
1	Unusual Bay	7	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	4 ² 3/4
2	Ekati Indian	8	8 ¹⁰	8 ⁷ 1/2	5 ⁷ 1/2
3	Lady Espresso	6	4 ² 1/2	5 ² 1/2	6 ⁷ 3/4
8	Carmelized	4	5 ³	7 ⁴ 1/2	7 ⁸ 3/4
10	Eyesonthe candy	1	3 ¹ /2	3 ¹	8 ¹⁴

Trainers: 7 - Hess, Jacob; 4 - Atkins, William; 9 - Lucas, Anthony; 1 - Brown, Ronney; 2 - McKee, Cynthia; 3 - Jones, Jr., Michael; 8 - Lewis, Jr., William; 10 - Jackson, Angelo

Owners: 7 -Jacob G. Hess; 4 -William Earl Atkins; 9 -Anthony Lucas; 1 -Kevin L. Anderson; 2 - Beau Ridge Farm, LLC; 3 - Mr. Amore Stable; 8 -William R. Lewis, Jr.; 10 -Gregory T. Martin;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SHESSWEETLIKECANDY slow into stride, circled five wide, frenzied rally, up in time. I'D RATHER NOT reluctant to load, vied between around the turn, game try nailed. AMAMA broke sharp, lacked speed out of the chute, between, willingly. UNUSUAL BAY broke a step slow, roused hard out of the chute, vie inside, even. EKATI INDIAN sluggish start, trailer around the turn, mild late interest. LADY ESPRESSO chased inside mid-pack into the turn, came up empty late. CARMELIZED raced off the pace four wide around the turn, never threatened. EYESONTHECANDY broke sharp, pressed the pace three wide, faltered stretch.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred

Track Attendance: 0

Handle: \$22,891

Off Track Wagering

Handle: \$1,871,025

Total

Handle: \$1,893,916