

SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - February 28, 2026 - Race 5

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO \$6,600 ATB) FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES THREE YEARS OLD. Weight, 122 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For A Claiming Price Of Less Than \$25,000).

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Brass Jacks - 1:15.77 - May 21, 1994)

Purse: \$33,000

Includes: \$30,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account

Available Money: \$33,000

Value of Race: \$33,000 1st \$19,740, 2nd \$6,580, 3rd \$3,619, 4th \$1,974, 5th \$987, 6th \$100

Weather: Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:53 **Start:** Good for all except 3,4,5 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
7Feb26 ⁶ HOU ²	3	Leila Mae (Elliott, Stewart)	122	L	3	2	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	1 ⁷	1 ^{19 3/4}	0.30*	much best, easy win
---	5	Quick and Classy (Wethey Jr., Floyd)	122	L	bf	5	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ¹	5 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	5.40	off slw, chsd, wknd
26Nov25 ⁸ CD ¹²	6	Tap Now (Gonzalez, Elvin)	122	L	6	4	4 ¹	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}	7.20	trk4w, loom1/4, flattend
18Aug25 ⁶ LAD ⁹	2	Alydan (Wiseman, Isaiah)	122	L	2	3	2 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	24.50	brief duel, no match
1Feb26 ⁸ HOU ⁶	1	Katabatic Wind (Pena, Brayan)	122	L	1	1	3 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	5 ³	30.60	sent hard, tired
---	4	Party Trick (Hamilton, Weston)	122	L	b	4	6	6	6	6	6.80	off slow, showed little

Fractional Times: 22.58 46.17 1:11.65

Final Time: 1:18.63

Split Times: (23:59) (25:48) (6:98)

Run-Up: 45 feet

Winner: Leila Mae, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by American Pharoah out of Purple Trillium, by Seeking the Gold. Foaled Mar 29, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Coolmore Stallions & Purple Trillium Partnership

Owner: Yellow Rose Stables

Trainer: Asmussen, Steven

Total WPS Pool: \$8,255

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Leila Mae	2.60	2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	3-5	4.30	3,166
5	Quick and Classy		3.20	2.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-5-6	5.30	2,596
6	Tap Now			2.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-5-6-2	6.44	2,127
					\$1.00 Pick 3	1-3-3 (3 correct)	20.80	526
					\$0.50 Pick 4	4-1-3-3 (4 correct)	64.05	765
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-3	6.80	347

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Leila Mae	2	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	1 ⁷	1 ^{19 3/4}
5	Quick and Classy	5	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{10 1/2}	2 ^{19 3/4}
6	Tap Now	4	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{8 1/2}	3 ^{19 3/4}
2	Alydan	3	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹	2 ⁷	4 ^{22 1/4}
1	Katabatic Wind	1	3 ¹	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ¹⁰	5 ^{24 3/4}
4	Party Trick	6	6 ⁵	6 ^{5 1/2}	6 ¹³	6 ^{27 3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Castellanos, Jaime; 6 - Asmussen, Steven; 2 - Fogarty, Desmond; 1 - Cruz, Eduardo; 4 - Baldillez Jr., Alejandro

Owners: 3 - Yellow Rose Stables; 5 - Max K. Thomas, Jr.; 6 - Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; 2 - Desmond Fogarty; 1 - Catherine Estelle Adams; 4 - Rachel L. Paduck;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

LEILA MAE ducked out at the start, then seized the early lead, held sway through the turn with the rider completely still in the saddle, then drew clear in the stretch to win by a nearly pole without ever being asked. QUICK AND CLASSY off slow, chased at the rear of the main pack down the backstretch, and weakened in the late stages. TAP NOW tracked four-wide behind the trio up front, ranged up towards the leaders approaching the quarter pole, then flattened out in upper stretch. ALYDAN had good speed from the break, went with LEILA MAY for the first quarter mile, then could not quicken away with that one from the three-furlong pole, and weakened in the stretch. KATABATIC WIND was sent hard from the break into the early pace but was unable to contest, raced mid-pack to the stretch, then tired. PARTY TRICK was impeded by LEILA MAY right out of the gate and was off slow, dropped far behind early, regained contact with the field going into the turn, but had little to offer in the stretch.