

**HORSESHOE INDIANAPOLIS - October 8, 2025 - Race 6**  
MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred  
FOR REGISTERED INDIANA BREDS Sired by Registered Indiana Stallions Maidens, Fillies Two Years Old.  
Weight, 120 lbs. (S)  
**Distance:** Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (St. Maximus Gato - 1:01.58 - June 8, 2012)  
**Purse:** \$38,500  
**Includes:** \$23,500 ITDF - Indiana TB Development Fund  
**Available Money:** \$38,500  
**Value of Race:** \$38,500 1st \$23,100, 2nd \$7,700, 3rd \$3,850, 4th \$1,925, 5th \$1,155, 6th \$770  
**Weather:** Clear, 67° **Track:** Fast  
**Off at:** 4:58 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
9Sep25 <sup>1</sup> IND <sup>2</sup>	5	Imperial Merlot (Ramos, Joseph)	120	b	3	2	<sup>1</sup> Head	<sup>1</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>1</sup> 5 1/2	<sup>1</sup> 7	1.20*	bid3/8,drv,geard down
9Sep25 <sup>1</sup> IND <sup>4</sup>	2	Miss Candy Pop (Prescott, Rodney)	120	b	1	3	<sup>3</sup> Head	<sup>3</sup> 1/2	<sup>3</sup> 1 1/2	<sup>2</sup> 2 1/4	19.80	rail,faded,gaind place
9Sep25 <sup>1</sup> IND <sup>3</sup>	7	Bebecita (Romero, Joseph)	113	b	5	1	<sup>2</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>2</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>2</sup> 1 1/2	<sup>3</sup> 4 1/4	5.90	dueled,gave way3/8
17Sep25 <sup>6</sup> IND <sup>4</sup>	8	Whakaari (De La Cruz, Fernando)	120	-	6	5	<sup>4</sup> 4 1/2	<sup>4</sup> 6 1/2	<sup>4</sup> 8	<sup>4</sup> 9 1/4	1.50	stalk2p,gave way1/4
17Sep25 <sup>6</sup> IND <sup>8</sup>	6	Air Sahara (Contreras, Luis)	120	-	4	4	<sup>5</sup> 3	<sup>5</sup> 4	<sup>5</sup> 7	<sup>5</sup> 10	4.90	through early
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**Fractional Times:** 22.43 46.21 59.07 **Final Time:** 1:06.41  
**Split Times:** (23:78) (12:86) (7:34)  
**Run-Up:** 30 feet

**Winner:** Imperial Merlot, Chestnut Filly, by Sombeyay out of Indelible Mark, by Scat Daddy. Foaled Feb 18, 2023 in Indiana.  
**Breeder:** Swifty Farms Inc.  
**Owner:** Swifty Farms Inc.  
**Trainer:** Cunningham, Anthony

**Scratched Horse(s):** Lilmisstouchmenot (Trainer), Runway Showstopper (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$45,815

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Imperial Merlot	4.40	3.20	2.10	\$2.00 Exacta	5-2	51.20	32,291
2	Miss Candy Pop		7.80	6.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-2-7	39.25	24,401
7	Bebecita			3.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-2-7-8	19.29	24,523
					\$0.50 Pick 3	5-2-1/3/5 (3 correct)	31.25	8,425
					\$2.00 Daily Double	2-5	21.80	4,904

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin
5	Imperial Merlot	2	<sup>1</sup> Head	<sup>1</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>1</sup> 5 1/2	<sup>1</sup> 7
2	Miss Candy Pop	3	<sup>3</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>3</sup> 5	<sup>3</sup> 7	<sup>2</sup> 7
7	Bebecita	1	<sup>2</sup> Head	<sup>2</sup> 2 1/2	<sup>2</sup> 5 1/2	<sup>3</sup> 9 1/4
8	Whakaari	5	<sup>4</sup> 2 3/4	<sup>4</sup> 5 1/2	<sup>4</sup> 8 1/2	<sup>4</sup> 13 1/2
6	Air Sahara	4	<sup>5</sup> 7 1/4	<sup>5</sup> 12	<sup>5</sup> 16 1/2	<sup>5</sup> 22 3/4
4	Charitable Home	6	<sup>6</sup> 10 1/4	<sup>6</sup> 16	<sup>6</sup> 23 1/2	<sup>6</sup> 32 3/4

**Trainers:** 5 - Cunningham, Anthony; 2 - Duran, Antonio; 7 - Rechy, Chaz; 8 - Klopp, Randy; 6 - Medina, Tomas; 4 - Egbert, James

**Owners:** 5 - Swifty Farms Inc.; 2 -Eddie Carrizalez; 7 -Chaz Rechy; 8 - Kamen, Samantha E. and Nicks, Austin; 6 - The Estate of Jim Edgar; 4 -James Egbert;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

IMPERIAL MERLOT led inside, bid at the three-eighths pole and drew off under a steady drive while gearing down late. MISS CANDY POP stalked the pace inside, faded in the stretch and gained the place late. BEBECITA dueled early outside of the winner and gave way near the three-eighths pole. WHAKAARI stalked the pace in the two path before giving way near the quarter pole. AIR SAHARA and CHARITABLE HOME were through early.