

SANTA ANITA PARK - February 14, 2026 - Race 7

STAKES San Marcos S. Grade 3 - Thoroughbred  
DOWNHILL TURF FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$100 each if made on or before Sunday, February 1, 2026, closed with 11 or by Supplementary nomination of \$2,000 due at time of entry. \$750 to enter and an additional \$750 to start with \$100,000 guaranteed of which \$60,000 to the winner, \$20,000 to second, \$12,000 to third, \$6,000 to fourth, and \$2,000 to fifth. 124 lbs. Non-Winners of a Graded Stake at One Mile or Over allowed 2 lbs. Non-Winners of a Sweepstakes at One Mile or Over allowed 4 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner.

Distance: One And One Fourth Miles On The Downhill turf **Current Track Record:** (Red Giant - 1:57.16 - September 27, 2008)

Purse: \$100,000 Guaranteed

Plus: \$1,500 Other Sources

Available Money: \$101,500

Value of Race: \$101,500 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$12,000, 4th \$6,000, 5th \$2,000, 6th \$500, 7th \$500, 8th \$500

Weather: Clear, 68° Track: Firm

Off at: 3:40 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
28Dec25 <sup>9</sup> SA <sup>3</sup>	5	Mondego (GB) (Jaramillo, Emisael)	120	h	4	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	9.60	ins-2w,bid 4deep str
28Dec25 <sup>9</sup> SA <sup>6</sup>	8	Flashiest (Ayuso, Armando)	122	b	7	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	47.60	2w,vied3deep,game2nd
24Jan26 <sup>12</sup> HOU <sup>3</sup>	4	Truly Quality (Smith, Mike)	124	--	3	8	8	8	8	7 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	4.90	tight early,2-3w,rally
28Dec25 <sup>9</sup> SA <sup>4</sup>	7	Stay Hot (Hernandez, Juan)	124	--	6	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>3/4</sup>	2.80	outsd,vie btwn,flatten
28Dec25 <sup>9</sup> SA <sup>5</sup>	1	Endlessly (Gonzalez, Ricardo)	124	--	1	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	18.90	svd ground,needed more
28Dec25 <sup>9</sup> SA <sup>7</sup>	6	Twirling Point (Fresu, Antonio)	122	--	5	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>3/4</sup>	14.60	pace,vied inside,wknd
1Nov25 <sup>8</sup> DMR <sup>5</sup>	9	Gold Phoenix (IRE) (Kimura, Kazushi)	124	b	8	6 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	1.00*	3wd into str, weakened
28Nov25 <sup>7</sup> DMR <sup>6</sup>	3	Grogu (Herrera, Diego)	120	--	2	5 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	8	8	36.20	tight early & 3/8

Fractional Times: 24.10 48.11 1:12.90 1:36.45

Final Time: 2:00.06

Split Times: (24:01) (24:79) (23:55) (23:61)

Run-Up: 52 feet

Winner: Mondego (GB), Bay Gelding, by =Lope de Vega (IRE) out of =Free Rein (GB), by \$Dansili (GB). Foaled May 02, 2020 in Great Britain.

Breeder: Car Colston Hall Stud

Owner: Cheyenne Stable LLC

Trainer: McCarthy, Michael

Scratched Horse(s): Amplitude (Re-entered), Smooth Salute (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$311,458

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Mondego (GB)	21.20	9.00	5.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-8	257.90	149,602
8	Flashiest		25.60	12.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	5-8-4	1,237.60	96,418
4	Truly Quality			4.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-8-4-7	326.76	74,079
					\$2.00 Daily Double	5-5	74.80	24,305
					\$1.00 Pick 3	7-5-5 (3 correct)	647.40	25,490

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin
5	Mondego (GB)	4 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>
8	Flashiest	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>
4	Truly Quality	8 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>6 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>6</sup>	8 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>3 3/4</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>
7	Stay Hot	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>
1	Endlessly	7 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>4</sup>	7 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>
6	Twirling Point	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>
9	Gold Phoenix (IRE)	6 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>3 1/2</sup>
3	Grogu	5 <sup>4</sup>	6 <sup>3 3/4</sup>	6 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>3 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>4</sup>

Trainers: 5 - McCarthy, Michael; 8 - Powell, Leonard; 4 - Thomas, Jonathan; 7 - Eurtion, Peter; 1 - McCarthy, Michael; 6 - Thomas, Jonathan; 9 - D'Amato, Philip; 3 - Powell, Leonard

Owners: 5 - Cheyenne Stable LLC; 8 - Wachtel Stable, Barber, Gary, Drion, Nicolas G. and Powell, Mathilde; 4 - Augustin Stables; 7 - Burns Racing, LLC, Exline-Border Racing, LLC, Estate of Brereton C. Jones and Hudock, William Dan; 1 - Amerman Racing, LLC; 6 - Augustin Stables; 9 - Agave Racing Stable, Little Red Feather Racing, Sterling Stables, LLC and Naify, Marsha; 3 - Ciaglia Racing LLC and Savides, Domenic;

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MONDEGO (GB) stalked the speed along the rail, shifted to the two path on the last turn, bid four deep past the eighth pole and edged clear late. FLASHIEST stalked outside a rival or in the two path, moved up outside the top pair on the backstretch, vied three deep through the far turn, fought between rivals into deep stretch and finished gamely in defeat. TRULY QUALITY got crowded between rivals shortly after the start, moved inside first time in the stretch trailing the field, eased over to the two path on the clubhouse turn, continued at the back two then three wide around the far turn, moved out in the lane, closed well in deep stretch and just missed out on the place honors. STAY HOT forward placed to the outside of the pacesetter early, applied pressure around the clubhouse turn, vied between rivals into and around the last bend, put a head in front in upper stretch, resisted into the last sixteenth, then flattened to fourth late. ENDLESSLY saved ground from off the pace, moved out in the lane, kept trying through the final furlong but needed to find more. TWIRLING POINT stepped to the front and angled to the inside, took pressure from STAY HOT around the clubhouse turn, held a short lead over a pair of rivals past the half-mile pole, maintained a narrow advantage through the far turn, relinquished the lead in upper stretch and weakened in the last sixteenth. GOLD PHOENIX (IRE) unhurried in the early going and settled outside a pair of rivals, crept closer while staying off the rail in the middle stages, driven three wide into the stretch and weakened. GROGU got crowded between rivals running shortly after the start, settled in the two path between rivals, drew closer on the backstretch, got put in a bit tight at the three-eighths pole, ridden along in the two path on the last turn and failed to rally.