

**SARATOGA - June 4, 2026 - Race 8**

STAKES Intercontinental S. Grade 2 - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of \$250 each which should accompany the nomination; \$1,250 to pass the entry box and an additional \$1,250 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$1,250 in addition to the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. 124 lbs. Non-winners of a Grade One or Two in 2025-26 allowed 2 lbs.; of a Sweepstakes in 2025-26 allowed 4 lbs. Main track only entrants are not eligible for weight allowances. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. The New York Racing Association reserves the right to transfer this race to the main track. In the event that this race is taken off the turf it may be subject to downgrading upon review by the Graded Stakes Committee. Closed Saturday, May 23, 2026 with 24 Original Nominations and 1 Supplement. (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turfcourse, this race will run at Five and One Half Furlongs on the Main Track). (Rail at 18 feet).

**Distance:** Five And One Half Furlongs On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Cogburn - 59.80 - June 8, 2024)

**Purse:** \$250,000 Guaranteed

**Available Money:** \$250,000

**Value of Race:** \$250,000 1st \$137,500, 2nd \$50,000, 3rd \$30,000, 4th \$15,000, 5th \$10,000, 6th \$1,875, 7th \$1,875, 8th \$1,875, 9th \$1,875

**Weather:** Clear, 86° **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 4:44 **Start:** Good for all except 3,6,7 **Timing Method:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
29Apr26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>1</sup>	10	Roja (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	122 --	9 1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 2 1/2	1 1 1/4	5.72	cut pace 2p, held well
2May26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>9</sup>	8	Italian Soiree (Davis, Dylan) 	122 b	7 7	6 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>Nose</sup>	2 <sup>Nose</sup>	18.03	3w 1/4, got bob for plc
1May26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>2</sup>	9	Shoot It True (Hernandez, Juan)	120 --	8 6	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 2	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/4	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/4	2.62*	5w upper, mild kick
3May26 <sup>11</sup> BAQ <sup>1</sup>	5	Love Cervere (Franco, Manuel)	122 --	4 8	9	8 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup> 2	4 <sup>1</sup> 2	23.78	3-4w upper, belatedly
12Apr26 <sup>7</sup> KEE <sup>1</sup>	3	In Our Time (Prat, Flavien)	124 --	2 3	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 2	3 <sup>1</sup> 2	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	2.62	stumbled st, one paced
1May26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>3</sup>	2	Creed's Gold (Castellano, Javier)	122 --	1 4	5 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> 2	6 <sup>1</sup> 2	6 <sup>1</sup> 2	11.98	chased 3-2w, outkicked
1May26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>5</sup>	6	Time to Dazzle (Ortiz, Jose)	124 --	5 9	8 <sup>1</sup> 2	9	8 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	7 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	10.12	bumped st, late foot
19Oct25 <sup>9</sup> BAQ <sup>1</sup>	4	Ready to Jam (Alvarado, Junior)	122 --	3 2	7 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	9	8 <sup>3</sup>	8 <sup>3</sup>	30.97	chased 3-2w, no impact
21Feb26 <sup>7</sup> SA <sup>1</sup>	7	Gratefully (Velazquez, John)	122 b	6 5	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>Head</sup>	9	9	4.03	stumbled st, weakened

**Fractional Times:** 21.35 43.13 54.46

**Final Time:** 1:00.44 **Time from Gate:** 1:03.22

**Split Times:** (21:78) (11:33) (5:98)

**Run-Up:** 70 feet **Temporary Rail:** 18 feet

**Winner:** Roja, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by Karakontie (JPN) out of Redmeansgo, by Red Ransom. Foaled Feb 23, 2022 in Kentucky.

**Breeder:** C. Kidder

**Owner:** Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Madaket Stables LLC 

**Trainer:** Motion, H.

**Scratched Horse(s):** Bam's Bliss Kiss (Main-Track-Only), Twirling Queen (Stakes Scratch)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$742,567

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Roja	13.44	7.12	4.40	\$1.00 Exacta	10-8	103.94	542,748
8	Italian Soiree		13.00	6.46	\$0.50 Trifecta	10-8-9	252.45	217,732
9	Shoot It True			3.64	\$1.00 Pick 3	3-7-10 (3 correct)	101.24	152,859
					\$1.00 Daily Double	7-10	32.28	111,170
					\$0.10 Superfecta	10-8-9-5	502.96	103,648

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin
10	Roja	1	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 2 1/2	1 1 1/4
8	Italian Soiree	7	6 <sup>3</sup> 3/4	5 <sup>5</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/4
9	Shoot It True	6	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>1</sup> 1/4
5	Love Cervere	8	9 <sup>7</sup> 1/4	8 <sup>8</sup>	7 <sup>5</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2
3	In Our Time	3	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>
2	Creed's Gold	4	5 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>5</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup> 1/2	6 <sup>3</sup> 1/4
6	Time to Dazzle	9	8 <sup>6</sup> 3/4	9 <sup>8</sup> 1/4	8 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>3</sup> 3/4
4	Ready to Jam	2	7 <sup>5</sup> 3/4	7 <sup>7</sup>	9 <sup>6</sup> 1/4	8 <sup>5</sup> 1/4
7	Gratefully	5	2 <sup>1</sup> 2	2 <sup>1</sup> 2	6 <sup>5</sup>	9 <sup>8</sup> 1/4


**Trainers:** 10 - Motion, H.; 8 - Motion, H.; 9 - Ward, Wesley; 5 - Clement, Miguel; 3 - Joseph, Jr., Saffie; 2 - Casse, Mark; 6 - Casse, Mark; 4 - Cox, Brad; 7 - Falcone, Jr., Robert

**Owners:** 10 - Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Madaket Stables LLC; 8 - Hit The Bid Racing Stable and CMNWLTH; 9 - Ice Wine Stable and Smart Choice Stable; 5 - Seltzer, Edward A., Anderson, Beverly and Reeves Thoroughbred Racing; 3 - Resolute Racing and Miller Racing LLC; 2 - Kristin Meldahl; 6 - Tracy Farmer; 4 - Qatar Racing, Mountmellick Farm and Galvin, Fergus; 7 - Adelphi Racing Club, Hume, Shelly and Hume, Russell;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

ROJA broke on top and crossed to show the way from the two path, came under pressure to the outside and cut a swift pace patiently handled until set down near the quarter pole, spun just off the inside into upper stretch, edged away under a drive to the eighth pole, dug in and held well and clear to the finish. ITALIAN SOIREE chased three to four paths off the inside down the backstretch and then just off the inside through the turn coming under encouragement at the five-sixteenths marker, closed in through the final furlong and just got the bob for the place honors on the line. SHOOT IT TRUE chased three to four paths off the inside down the backstretch and then just off the inside through the turn, angled five wide into upper stretch, offered up a mild kick and just lost the nod on the wire for the place honors while clear for the show. LOVE CERVERE chased just off the inside coming under a ride nearing the quarter pole, tipped three to four wide into upper stretch and was off the heels of ITALIAN SOIREE and tipped out slightly nudging READY TO JAM to his outside then kicked on belatedly to the finish. IN OUR TIME stumbled at the start but only conceded about a length of ground to the front when settling into stride, chased just off the inside and then along the inside under a ride with five-sixteenths to run, continued in the inside route into upper stretch and stayed on one paced to the wire. CREED'S GOLD hustled from the gate, chased three paths off the rail down the backstretch, tucked inside into the

turn and came under urging with seven-sixteenths to go, spun just off the inside into upper stretch, offered up a bid but was outkicked. TIME TO DAZZLE got bumped at the start by GRATEFULLY and lost her lane conceding three to four lengths to the front before settling into stride, chased three paths off the rail until tucked inside into the turn, came under coaxing near the quarter pole and angled out six wide at that station, offered up mild late foot while making no impact. READY TO JAM three then two wide in pursuit, came under encouragement with five-sixteenths remaining, swung four wide at the head of the stretch, got nudged to the five path by LOVE CERVERE at the three-sixteenths marker and made no impact. GRATEFULLY stumbled at the start recovering inwards and then bobbed after the break and took over the lane of TIME TO DAZZLE, advanced soon after and prompted the leader from the outside three wide through swift splits, continued three wide into upper stretch, then weakened through to the end.

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