

SARATOGA - August 7, 2026 - Race 9

STAKES National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame S. Grade 2 - Thoroughbred
INNER TURF FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of \$400 each which should accompany the nomination; \$2,000 to pass the entry box and an additional \$2,000 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$2,000 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 allowed 2 lbs.; of a Sweepstakes in 2026 allowed 4 lbs. Atrophy 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, July 25, 2026 with 22 Nominations. (Rail at 9 feet).

Distance: One Mile On The Inner turf Current Track Record: (Got Stormy - 1:32.00 - August 10, 2019)

Purse: \$400,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$400,000

Value of Race: \$400,000 1st \$220,000, 2nd \$80,000, 3rd \$48,000, 4th \$24,000, 5th \$16,000, 6th \$6,000, 7th \$6,000

Weather: Clear, 87° Track: Firm

Off at: 5:48 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Video Race Replay

GPS Race Chart

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4Jul26 ⁹ SAR ⁵	9	Bottas (Franco, Manuel) 	124	--	7	3	4 ²	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	3.62	2p,3p out1/4,rallied
3Jul26 ¹⁰ SAR ²	8	Blinging It Back (Ortiz, Jose)	120	--	6	7	2 ¹	2 ²	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Neck}	8.20	2p,led1/8,outfinished
4Jul26 ⁹ SAR ⁴	1	Touch of Fire (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	122	--	1	2	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	4 ²	3 ^{3/4}	1.21*	ins,alter1/16,willing
3Jul26 ¹⁰ SAR ⁵	2	Print (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	120	--	2	4	7	7	7	7	4 ^{Neck}	31.27	bmp after st,ins,5p1/4
4Jul26 ⁹ SAR ⁶	4	Third Coast (Lezcano, Jose)	122	b	4	1	1 ³	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	5 ^{Head}	5.61	bmp twice brk,ins,wknd
3Jul26 ¹⁰ SAR ⁴	6	Arizona Territory (Prat, Flavien)	120	--	5	6	6 ^{1/2}	5 ^{Head}	6 ²	6 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	5.67	bmp brk,2p trns,4p1/4
2May26 ⁹ CD ⁸	3	Vasy (IRE) (Gaffalione, Tyler)	122	--	3	5	5 ¹ 1/2	6 ¹ 1/2	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	7	11.13	bmp btwn brk,ins,3p1/4

Fractional Times: 23.53 47.84 1:11.61 1:23.03 Final Time: 1:34.67 Time from Gate: 1:37.82

Split Times: (24:31) (23:77) (11:42) (11:64)

Run-Up: 80 feet Temporary Rail: 9 feet

Winner: Bottas, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by [Vekoma](#) out of Iadorakid, by Lemon Drop Kid. Foaled Feb 15, 2023 in Kentucky.

  Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: BCS Thoroughbreds

Owner: Dahman

Trainer: Clement, Miguel

Scratched Horse(s): Glavine (Stakes Scratch), Immortalised (FR) (Stakes Scratch)

Total WPS Pool: \$883,537

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
9	Bottas	9.24	5.20	2.78	\$1.00 Exacta	9-8	30.68	570,814
8	Blinging It Back		6.76	3.38	\$0.50 Trifecta	9-8-1	37.40	219,590
1	Touch of Fire			2.26	\$1.00 Pick 3	4-10-9 (3 correct)	234.44	106,132
					\$0.50 Pick 5	1-4-4-10-9 (5 correct)	4,841.36	361,203
					\$1.00 Daily Double	10-9	58.66	120,635
					\$0.10 Superfecta	9-8-1-2	63.08	112,502

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
9	Bottas	3	4 ⁴ 1/2	4 ³	4 ²	2 ^{1/2}	1 ¹ 1/2
8	Blinging It Back	7	2 ³	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ¹ 1/2
1	Touch of Fire	2	3 ⁴	3 ³	3 ²	4 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 3/4
2	Print	4	7 ⁸ 1/2	7 ⁶ 1/4	7 ⁶	7 ⁵	4 ² 1/2
4	Third Coast	1	1 ³	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	5 ² 3/4
6	Arizona Territory	6	6 ⁸	5 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁴	6 ⁴	6 ² 3/4
3	Vasy (IRE)	5	5 ⁶ 1/2	6 ⁴ 3/4	5 ³ 1/2	5 ³ 1/2	7 ³ 1/4

Trainers: 9 - Clement, Miguel; 8 - Casse, Mark; 1 - Cox, Brad; 2 - Ribauda, Robert; 4 - Proctor, Thomas; 6 - Brown, Chad; 3 - Walsh, Brendan

Owners: 9 - Dahman; 8 - Barber, Gary and Deutsch, Peter; 1 - Juddmonte; 2 -Marc Keller; 4 - Glen Hill Farm; 6 -Peter M. Brant; 3 - JDT Racing LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BOTTAS tucked in early, was reserved in the two path while given cover, shifted to the three path while roused late on the far turn, rallied outside to make a bid coming to the furlong marker, gained the lead inside that marker and edged clear under strong urging to prove best. BLINGING IT BACK was moving around a bit at the start but broke with the body of the field, settled outside in the two path while given cover, moved closer with five furlongs to run, tracked in the two path on the far turn, was asked once straightened for the drive, rallied to the lead outside the furlong marker, was headed by the winner outside the sixteenth-pole then outfinished while just able to get the place. TOUCH OF FIRE broke a bit awkwardly then was bumped lightly, saved ground while reserved off the pace, drafted inside on the far turn, was asked after turning into the stretch, chased behind the leading trio while under a drive into the final furlong, paused then altered out behind those foes outside the sixteenth-pole and finished willingly to just miss the place while able to get the show. PRINT bumped with foes just after the start then dropped back in tight quarters, settled on the inside at the rear, moved to the two path under urging coming to the quarter-pole, came out to the five path into the stretch and improved to get the last spot in the superfecta. THIRD COAST was bumped in the hindquarters at the start then came in and bumped VASY, went to the front, opened up a clear advantage on the inside, saw the margin diminish with five furlongs to run, was asked while inside on the far turn, came under the crop in upper stretch, lost the advantage outside the furlong marker and weakened. ARIZONA TERRITORY broke in and bumped THIRD COAST, was reserved in the two path, came under urging on the far turn, swung into the stretch in the four path, chased outside in the drive and gained some but lacked the needed kick. VASY (IRE) bumped with rivals on both sides at the start, saved ground while reserved off the pace, was roused in the three path into the stretch, moved out a bit more under a drive around the three-sixteenths pole and lacked the needed response.

