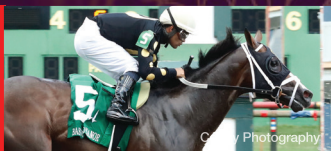


# MEET THE CONTENDERS

## BREEDERS' CUP™ 2023

### JUVENILE

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#### THE WINE STEWARD



**PRO:** NY-bred stepped up nicely to give Locked all he could handle in Breeders' Futurity (G1).  
**CON:** Will need to find a bit more to turn the tables on that rival and others.

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#### PRINCE OF MONACO



**PRO:** Undefeated colt turned in a standout performance in the Best Pal (G3) two back.  
**CON:** Del Mar Futurity (G1) score more workmanlike; stamina test here.

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#### WINE ME UP



**PRO:** Solid try in American Pharoah (G1) and bred to be even better as distances increase.  
**CON:** Enters this as third in the Baffert-trained pecking order.

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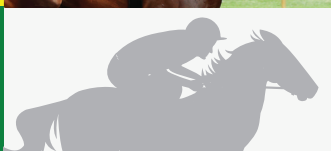


#### TIMBERLAKE



**PRO:** Rebounded well from upset loss to win the Champagne (G1) easily.  
**CON:** Benefited from slop and fast pace last time; lost modest Hopeful (G1) renewal.

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#### ECORO NEO



**PRO:** Bred to be at his best routing on the dirt.  
**CON:** Still a maiden after two losses in Japan.

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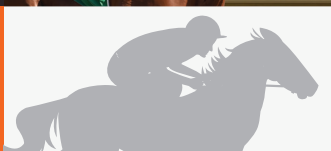


#### LOCKED



**PRO:** Enters with a profile like that of former stablemate Forte, who won this last year.  
**CON:** Doesn't stand out over the locals, who have experience over the SA strip.

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#### CUBAN THUNDER



**PRO:** Battle tested against some of Europe's best, though to no great effect.  
**CON:** Unplaced in three of four since breaking maiden going 6f on turf

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#### GENERAL PARTNER



**PRO:** A clear second in the Champagne after setting a solid pace.  
**CON:** Might prove more formidable around one turn, rather than two.

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#### FIERCENESS



**PRO:** Stellar debut at Saratoga and surely better than what he showed in Champagne.  
**CON:** Mud might have exaggerated actual ability first out; untested on a fast surface.

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#### MUTH



**PRO:** Appreciated stretchout to 1 1/16m in winning the American Pharoah.  
**CON:** No match for Prince of Monaco in their one prior meeting.

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#### NOTED



**PRO:** Multi-surface talent won his only start going long on dirt, the Sapling at Monmouth.  
**CON:** Relatively light in the speed figure department.