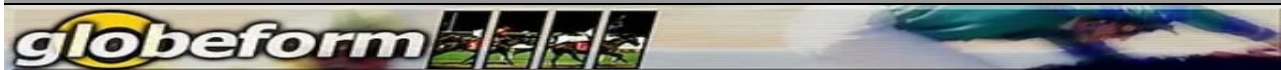


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## GLOBEFORM RANKING

### CAPE HENLOPEN STAKES (LR) 12 fur Turf, Delaware Park, June 13

Horses ranked in pounds (0.45kg). 1 length = 1.5 pounds over this distance

Rank	No.	Name of horse	Globeform	GF most recent runs	Trainer / Jockey
From right to left (most recent first)					
0 / 6+	5	<b>JUST A TOUCH</b> <i>GF 115 in July '25 (dirt)</i>	115 / 109+	108+ 97 - 109+	B Cox / I Ortiz Jr
1 / 11	7	<b>VOTE NO</b> <i>GF 112 in July '25</i> <i>GF 108p in Cape Henlopen '25</i>	112 / 102	102 - 101+ 93	Danner / L Saez
3	1	<b>DESVIO</b>	110	104 - 108 - 110	Meyers / Velazquez
7 / 13	6	<b>FREEDOM'S WAY</b> <i>GF 106 in July '25</i>	106 / 100	100 - 92 - 106	Kenneally / J L Ortiz
8	2	<b>ANEGADA</b>	107	95 - 94 - 107	Maker / Sanchez
10	4	<b>IL SICILIANO</b> <i>GF 103 in July '25</i>	103	101 - 99 - 101	Sano / Alvarado
11p	8	<b>SOLEIL VOLANT</b>	104p	104p - 90 - 98	Motion / Curtis
11	9	<b>COILED</b>	102	92 - 99 - 102	Delacour / J Rodriguez
14	3	<b>MALIBU MAMBO</b> <i>GF 99 in Oct '25</i>	99	? - 84 - ?	Hinckson / Hazelwood
16	10	<b>HALL MONITOR</b>	99	99 - 98 - 91	Kelly / Chuan

**Globeform ratings** are expressed in pounds. The **"Rank"** column shows the horse best in at the weights based on Globeform ratings on top, with other horses ranked down in pounds. For example; rank figure 6 tells us that the horse is 6lbs below the top ranked horse. Length values: 5-6 furlongs: 3lbs per length. 7 fur: 2.5lbs. 8 - 11 fur: 2lbs. 12 fur: 1.5lbs

**Globeform rating with a "p"** attached = this was the horse's best rating to date and the horse is likely to improve  
**Globeform rating with a "+"** = this was not its best rating but the horse ran better than the rating suggests.

### Most recent winners of the Cape Henlopen

Year	Winner	Globeform	Trainer	Jockey
2025	VOTE NO	GF 108p	Kelsey Danner	Paco Lopez
2024	THE GREY WIZARD	GF 114	Graham Motion	John Velasquez
2023	CROSS BORDER	GF 107	Michael Maker	Ruben Silvera
2022	NEXT (run on dirt)	GF ?+	William Cowans	Luan Machado
2021	OCEANS MAP	GF 105	Gregory Sacco	Isaac Castillo
2019	CANESSAR	GF 112	Arnaud Delacour	Feargal Lynch

Average winning Globeform: 109.2

## GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

**JUST A TOUCH at 6-1 for this race?** Yes please, that would be nice - but will it happen? Even 3-1 would look good, given that he is the best horse in the field, and a contender coming off a strong win where he ran much like a horse well worth trying over a marathon distance. Now, 12 furlongs is a 'marathon' only in the US of course, in Europe it's called a middle distance. It can be a good test of stamina though, even around turning tracks. We have no guarantees that Just a Touch will stay 12 furlongs (his pedigree gives no clues) but what we do know is that if he runs up to somewhere near his best he will win the Cape Henlopen. Not just that; unless Vote No or Desvio regain their best this weekend Just a Touch can run below his career best and still win. He produced **Globeform 115** when running a good second, half a length behind next out Iselin Stakes winner Surface to Air in the Monmouth Cup over 9 furlongs / dirt last summer; and he returned GF 108+ as he came from well off the pace to win a good allowance race over 8.5 furlongs on turf at Keeneland in April. That was his first try on the lawn and he took to it really well. Staying on resolutely from the back, he got up to win by a length from Judge Davis, with Maycocks Bay 2 1/2 lengths further adrift in third place. Judge Davis (who runs at Churchill Downs on Friday) has been running well against graded stakes winner Poster, One Stripe and Silent Heart over the past few months, and Maycocks Bay won the Eclipse Stakes at Woodbine on his next outing.

**VOTE NO**, who won this event twelve months ago, has become a tricky horse to get a handle on and he has been costly in this office on a couple of occasions, most recently when he was recommended as the exacta horse behind Burnham Square in the Louisville Stakes at Churchill Downs in May, when he was a dull fourth, beaten almost seven lengths. His best form in 2025 was so much better, and he found that form at this time of the year. Exiting a break, he won a mile allowance race at Indianapolis in May '25, then stepped up to win the 12-furlong Cape Henlopen in June, before recording a career best to finish fourth in the United Nations over 11 furlongs at Monmouth Park in July. Vote No ran to **Globeform 112** on that occasion; checking in not far behind the high class trio Redistricting, Grand Sonata and Major Dude. Like he had done also in his two preceding races, he stayed on well inside the final furlong and went down by just 2 1/4 lengths. He had a troubled trip and could easily have been third; and he would probably have been much closer to the winner given a bit more ground to work with too. His good performance in the Cape Henlopen was also a bit against circumstances. Vote No took that race despite making life hard for himself and his rider; pulling fiercely and wasting energy. Still, he had enough left to get up for a nice 3/4-length win over Harrow, and he galloped out well. Better settled, he ran a much more professional race in the United Nations, but he has not been anywhere near that level of form in his five starts since. Perhaps he will bounce back one day or perhaps he is simply a horse that has lost his form and / or interest.

**DESVIO** gave us a handsome 34-1 win when landing the Sycamore Stakes over 12 furlongs at Keeneland last fall, and the win was no fluke, it was no coincidence; over this distance he is a force to be reckoned with. Making his seasonal debut in the Elkhorn Stakes, run over the same trip in April, he got his new campaign off to a decent start by taking second, albeit almost ten lengths behind the top class turf runner Burnham Square, who followed up in the Louisville at Churchill Downs and run there again today. Desvio was not up to his best in the Elkhorn but he performed plenty well enough to suggest that he has retained his ability as 5yo; the season when so many horses hit their peaks. Once again to be partnered by Velazquez, who gave him a super ride to beat Safe Trip Home by half a length in the Sycamore, he has a winning chance in the Cape Henlopen. Desvio improved to **Globeform 110** as he came from well off the pace to win by half a length in the Sycamore, a race he captured five weeks after having run second to Safe Trip Home in the Colonial Cup, and almost five months after he went into the notebook by finishing a sneaky good third to subsequent Arlington Million winner Fort Washington in the Dinner Party Stakes at Pimlico (before a below par effort in the Cape Henlopen). The son of Yoshida ran a good race also when third in the 11-furlong Red Smith Stakes at Aqueduct in November, his last start in 2025. That event had very slow fractions right up to the finish. That, and the shorter distance, didn't help Desvio, but he still ran to GF 108 to go down by only 2 lengths behind Cugino, who he was spotting 2lbs. His overall form is quite solid and it's long odds-on that he will do better than his sixth placed effort in this race last year. >>>

**FREEDOM'S WAY** tries 12 furlongs again, after having faded from a pace setting role to be a distant fifth behind Burnham Square in the Louisville Stakes at Churchill Downs in May, and badly beaten in eighth behind that same rival in the Elkhorn at Keeneland in April (his seasonal debut). This veteran, who now gets Jose Ortiz in the saddle, is better suited by 11 furlongs. He hit top form with two good runs over that distance in June / July last year. The son of Declaration of War was beaten just a head when third to Safe Trip Home at Churchill Downs, before himself beating Crystal Quest by 1 1/2 length to win at Saratoga. Safe Trip Home won the Colonial Cup from **DESVIO** on his next start and those two then filled the first places also in the Sycamore Stakes, when Desvio won. Freedom's Way moved up to GF 105 when almost getting the better of Safe Trip Home and he improved to **Globeform 106** in his winning race. That level makes him a possible Trifecta horse here but only if he can get back to form and do so over this longer distance.

**SOLEIL VOLANT** is an interesting longshot representing Graham Motion's team. He improved on his previous form when stepped up to 11 furlongs in a good allowance race at Churchill Downs in May, his second outing this year. Given a perfect, ground saving ride just off the pace, the son of Karakontie quickened well by the rail inside the final furlong and win snugly by 2 lengths from Noble Confessor. End of Romance was third and Daunt fourth. These are not graded stakes performers but they all have good form and Soleil Volant, who paid 25-1, outstayed them with ease. Pricking his ears when passing the winning post, he earned **Globeform 104p** and 12 furlongs is probably within his compass. Noble Confessor, runner-up to this year's Canadian Turf Stakes winner Tiz Dashing in the Hill Prince last year, was coming off an allowance win over a mile at Keeneland. Soleil Volant won the 9-furlong Kent Stakes at Delaware Park last year and he is clearly improving with age. At **8-1**, this horse should not be overlooked.

**CONCLUSION:** Just a Touch is set to carry 124lbs and has to give 2lbs to Desvio, his most likely rival, but this Brad Cox trainee looks just the type to improve again as he continues his career as a turf runner. If he moves up to around GF 112 then Desvio will have to be at his absolute best to match strides with him. Given that Just a Touch produced GF 115 last year that's not at all a far fetched idea, and **morning line 6-1 is way too big** about this horse. Desvio, who looks plenty short enough at 2-1, becomes the obvious B-horse, while the three C-horses, Vote No (back class), Freedom's Way (might get soft lead) and Soleil Volant (in-form and improving) are quite different types. Soleil Volant is the least accomplished but he is the one who's coming off a career best winning run; and thus the one to consider upgrading in the Trifecta plan.

## GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

<b>A</b>	<b>5 JUST A TOUCH</b>
<b>B</b>	1 DESVIO
<b>C</b>	6 FREEDOM'S WAY, 7 VOTE NO, 8 SOLEIL VOLANT

**Just a Touch / Keeneland Allowance (R5):** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RQzDwb5IK1g&t=734s>

**Desvio / Sycamore Stakes '25:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0M5WCnD2wJQ>

**Vote No 4th / United Nations Stakes '25:** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4dO3n-pK\\_o&t=6s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p4dO3n-pK_o&t=6s)

**Vote No / Cape Henlopen Stakes '25:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GsfvzczHuvY>