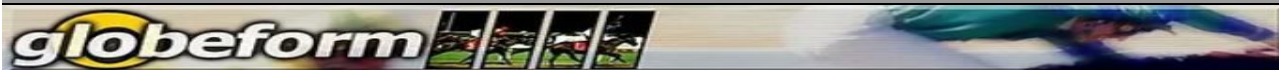


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GLOBEFORM RANKING

LADIES' TURF SPRINT, 5 fur Turf, Gulfstream Park, Feb 8

Horses ranked in pounds (0.45kg). 1 length = 3 pounds over this distance

Rank	No.	Name of horse	Globeform	GF most recent runs	Trainer / Jockey
From right to left (most recent first)					
0	7	JUST A CARE	104	104 - 95 - 81	B Lynch / L Saez
0	9	BEAUTY OF THE SEA <i>GF 104 in June '24</i>	104	? - 100 - 103	Orseno / R Gutierrez
2p	8	EPONA'S HOPE	100p	100p - 95 - 81	Plesa / Rosario
3	3	FREEDOM SPEAKS <i>GF 99 over 8 fur Apr '23</i>	99	95 - 91 // 99	Smullen / Jaramillo
5	2	KARAYA	97	97 - 94+ 88	M Casse / Velazquez
12	1	BLIND SPOT	90	85 - 90 - 90	Joseph Jr / Zayas
13	6	WEEKEND RAGS	89	89 - ? - ?	Abreu / Panici
17	5	SHOSHANAH	87	86 - 87 - 82	Horlacher / D Egan
?p	4	SINEAD	?p	?p - 0	Abreu / Castellano

Most recent winners of the Ladies' Turf Sprint

2024	STONE SILENT	Brian Lynch	Junoir Alvarado
2023	ONE IDENTITY	Rohan Crichton	Paco Lopez
2022	MISS AURAMET	Edward Plesa Jr	Julien Leparoux
2021	LADY'S ISLAND	Georgina Baxter	Emisael Jaramillo
2020	JEAN ELIZABETH	Larry Rivelli	Irad Ortiz Jr

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

JUST A CARE is representing Brian Lynch, who made the Abundantia / Ladies' Turf Sprint with Stone Silent at this Gulfstream meet last year. Just a Care improved markedly in her first start since joining Lynch after a \$200,000 sale at the Keeneland November Sale; ridden with new tactics, she was held up in the Abundantia; she traveled well all the way and came with a sweeping run going wide on the turn, then ran on gamely to win by 1 1/2 lengths from **KARAYA**, who was staying on having been even further back in the early part of the 5-furlong contest at Gulfstream Park. Just a Care moved up to **Globeform 104**, while Karaya returned to her previous best, **Globeform 97**, and they are likely to play important roles also today. Given that they meet on the same weight terms, and that this race is not exactly loaded with early speed, it seems logical to expect Just a Care to be the best of the two again.

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BEAUTY OF THE SEA, a 5yo with no more than 13 runs under her belt (6-2-1), has a good record both over this course and at this distance, and she is every bit as good as Just a Care, having produced a solid **Globeform 104** when beaten just a neck by G2 winner Tony Ann in a good allowance sprint at Churchill Downs last June. She is coming off a below par effort last time out, but that was over 6 furlongs on the Tapeta at Turfway Park (she looked in need of the run), so let's not read too much into that result. Her two preceding efforts showed her in the true light; she won the Andy Guest Stakes over 5.5 furlongs at Colonial Downs in August, proving 1 1/2 lengths + 4lbs better than Hollywood Walk, who won a \$150,000 handicap next time out and went on to run third in a pair of better events; the Floral Park Stakes at Aqueduct and the Pan Zareta Stakes at the Fair Grounds (both times at big odds). Beauty of the Sea's Colonial form was good and she confirmed it by running third just a length behind A Game in the 6-furlong Ontario Fashion Stakes (Tapeta) at Woodbine two months later. She was up with the speed all the way in the Andy Guest and she was ridden the same way at Woodbine but tired late, giving the impression that six panels is a bit too far for her. Dropping back to 5 furlongs on turf, she has a good chance here.

EPONA'S HOPE is coming off her career best, **Globeform 100p**, a rating earned as she was an easy winner over this course and distance in January. Breaking smartly under Joel Rosario, who stays with her, she raced with great zest on the front end (almost traveling too well) and never looked in any sort of danger. In fact, Rosario could afford to be a bit easy on her in the closing stages, as she won with a bit up her sleeve. Tiffany Gold, 2 1/2 lengths beaten in second, was coming off a win in similar company, as was the third placed Sol Hope; she had beaten Drum Roll by 1 1/2 lengths + 2lbs, and Drum Roll went on to be fifth, 5 3/4 lengths behind Just a Care at level weights in the Abundantia. Using that formlink, Epona's Hope is up to Just a Care's level of form. She is **8-1 on the morning line** and that really does look too big. Epona's Hope is a natural, efficient, front runner and if she gets a clean start enabling her to secure a ground saving spot, well, then she could be hard to peg back in this contest. She has 4 wins from 10 starts and she has been off the board just three times.

FREEDOM SPEAKS has the back class to match strides with these but she has not raced since last July and her very best form has been over a mile (**Globeform 99** when fourth against grades stakes winners in an allowance race at Keeneland in 2023). She ran just twice last year, finishing sixth to Gal in a Rush in the 6.5-furlong Hendrie Stakes on Tapeta at Woodbine and seventh to Dontlookbackatall in the 5.5-furlong Caress Stakes at Saratoga. Those were not bad efforts but, now with her fourth trainer Heather Smullen (who has a very low strike rate), Freedom Speaks doesn't make much appeal.

SINEAD is a bit of a dark horse. This 4yo is also coming off a break and she has raced just twice in her career. Sinead has the looks of a useful horse and there must be a good reason to keep a filly like this in training. It's impossible to say what she is capable of but the opposition was weak and 6 furlongs seemed to be her absolute minimum trip when she just got up to win a maiden at Aqueduct in October.

CONCLUSION: The winner should come from the quartet of Just a Care, Beauty of the Sea, Epona's Hope and Karaya. Epona's Hope may be favored by the pace scenario and she is easily the value at 8-1; let's just hope that ML is close to what we will get. A win bet (win & show or EW with bookmakers if 5-1 or bigger) plus a Trifecta plan; Epona's Hope as a key to finish 1st, 2nd or 3rd combined with the other three makes sense.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A	8 EPONA'S HOPE
B	7 JUST A CARE, 9 BEAUTY OF THE SEA
C	2 KARAYA

Just a Care beats Karaya / Abundantia S (R8 / 14.40 min): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3K43wXLPCc>

Beauty of the Sea 3rd / Ontario Fashion Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=va249HCPIYk>

Epona's Hope / Gulfstream Allowance (R8 / 18 min): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GrR_pvG0WKQ