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GLOBEFORM RANKING

TAMPA BAY STAKES (G3), 8.5 fur Turf, Tampa Bay Downs, Sat. Jan 31, 2026

Horses ranked in pounds (0.45kg). 1 length = 2 pounds over this distance

Rank	No	Name of horse	Globeform	GF most recent runs	Trainer / Jockey
From right to left (most recent first)					
(-5) 0 / 8	6	WIN FOR THE MONEY <i>GF 111 in Aug '25</i> <i>GF 110 in July '25</i> <i>GF 116 in Sep '24</i>	(116) 111 / 103	103 - 101 - 111	M Casse / Leon
3	3	QUATROCENTO <i>GF 108 in Sep '25</i>	108	102 - 97 - 104	Gutierrez / Leparoux
5	7	TOM'S MAGIC	106	106 - 103 - 101	Stidham / R Hernandez
9 / 14	1	SIMULATE <i>GF 101 in Aug '25</i> <i>GF 102 in July '25</i>	102 / 97	97 - 96 - 93	W Mott / Centeno
11	5	SPELLCAST	100	? - 94 - 100	Hamm / Gil
(7) 15+	8	BRITAIN'S KITTEN <i>GF 104 in Nov 2023</i>	(104) 96+	96+ 104 - 101	K Rice / I Rodriguez
15	2	INNATELY GOOD	96	96 - 88 - 0	Goodwin / Ferrer
18	4	DISCREET DANCER <i>GF 93 also in May '25</i>	93	93 - 82 - 82 - 87	Sano / Egan

Most recent winners of the Tampa Bay

2025	RUNNING BEE	GF 112+	Chad Brown	Flavien Prat
2024	NEVER EXPLAIN	GF 111	Shug McGaughey	Vincent Cheminaud
2023	EMMANUEL	GF 116	Todd Pletcher	Javier Castellano
2022	SHIRL'S SPEIGHT	GF 113p	Roger Attfield	Emma-Jayne Wilson
2021	GET SMOKIN	GF 112	Thomas Bush	Junior Alvarado
2020	ADMIRALTY PIER	GF 107	Barbara Minshall	Samy Camacho

Average winning Globeform: 111.8

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

WIN FOR THE MONEY, the only G1 winner in the field, has by far the best form in the book; but it dates back to September 2024, when he was an upset winner of the Woodbine Mile. Coming from off the pace, he improved to **Globeform 116** as he beat Filo di Arianna by 1 1/2 lengths, with the French raider Big Rock back in third place. He has not been able to reach that level again since, but the son of Mohaymen did run a couple of good races in important mile events at Saratoga last year.

He finished third in the Kelso Stakes after a layoff in July (beaten 2 1/4 lengths behind Think Big) and was third again in the Fourstardave Stakes in August (2 lengths behind Deterministic, who had won the Manhattan Stakes on his previous start. Win for the Money performed to GF 111 in the Fourstardave, not too far off his career best. He was well backed in the Kelso, where he looked one paced at the finish, then went off at 22-1 in the Fourstardave, where he also looked like he has lost his turn of foot but ran a game enough race. It seems unlikely that this seven-year-old will regain his very best form but he has a solid winning chance also based on his 2025 form. Now, that may seem like another way of predicting that Win for the Money will win the Tampa Bay Stakes; but it's not that simple. He was no factor in last year's Woodbine Mile, and he was disappointing then resurfacing in an 8.5-furlong allowance race at Gulfstream Park in late December. Going off at even money (actually too big, based on form), he enjoyed a perfect, ground saving trip in good contention, but failed to fire at the finish and lost by half a length to the late charging Abrumar. Missed the Cut was third, only a neck behind Win for the Money despite running over a distance that does not suit him. He was only sixth when stepping back up in trip in the William McKnight Stakes four weeks later. Hardly a boost to the Abrumar form. Furthermore, Clever Mischief - who ran fifth behind Abrumar - was a dull seventh in allowance company next time out. Win for the Money ran to no more than GF 103 last time out and he did not race like a horse in need of the race. Perhaps that was the case anyway, but he seems a vulnerable favorite in this race.

QUATROCENTO won two valuable mile events over the undulating Kentucky Downs course last year, producing his best form to date in the second race, when he won comfortably by 4 1/4 lengths from Nineleventurbo and improved to **Globeform 108**. Like he had also when beating Degree of Risk by 2 lengths ten days earlier, Quatrocento led every step of the way when outclassing Nineleventurbo, who was a length better than the third placed Big Blue Line. Interestingly, Degree of Risk and Nineleventurbo ran third and fourth behind Theisman in a similar contest at Keeneland in October. Quatrocento did not beat stakes performers at Kentucky Downs, where he clearly took to the course in a way few horses do. Still, he ran a very respectable race when moving right up to G1 level in the Coolmore Mile at Keeneland in October, finishing sixth 3 lengths behind Rhetorical, who franked the form when fourth in the B Cup Mile next time out. Two sixth placed efforts followed for Quatrocento; 7 lengths Wolfie's Dynaghost in the River City at Churchill Downs and 3 1/2 lengths behind the same rival in the Fort Lauderdale at Gulfstream Park. Good enough to make an impact, he is likely to be the lone speed in this race. A soft lead would be a big advantage and he should be considered. Having run well over five different courses, he took an allowance race over this course and distance last March. His rider Julien Leparoux has been off since January 3. He was winless from six rides at Turfway Park that weekend and his last 50 rides in 2025 yielded 5 wins.

TOM'S MAGIC is very interesting. This 4yo last ran in the Hollywood Derby over 9 furlongs at Del Mar in November, coming off a win in the 12-furlong Breeders' Stakes at Woodbine, but he is efficient also over shorter distances and he looks just the type to get better with age. A big, scopey son of Justify he may be a horse whose 3yo form will turn out having been a bonus. His 2025 season was productive indeed. Rather an unlucky loser when second in the prestigious King's Plate over 10 furlongs on the Tapeta track at Woodbine, he made amends when beating Borealis Trail by a head (in full control) in the Breeders' Stakes. His runner-up that day won the Ontario Derby on his subsequent outing, beating Mansetti, who made all for the win when Tom's Magic came from way too far back in the King's Plate. Tom's Magic's run in the Hollywood Derby was even better though; he was beaten just a neck by Salamis, with Test Score a neck behind him in third place. That form has worked out well; Test Score won the Pegasus World Cup Turf last week, the fourth placed Tempus Volovat ran second in the Mathis Mile at Santa Anita in December and Kokosan, who was fifth in the Hollywood Derby, was a 5 1/4-length maiden winner next time out. Tom's Magic improved >>>

>>> to **Globeform 106** at Del Mar and there's every chance that he will fly past the 110 mark this season. He was first noticed as a talented runner when he won the 8.5-furlong Tale of the Cat Stakes at Monmouth Park last June; beating Outrunner easily by 1 1/2 lengths while spotting him 4lbs. Outrunner has since been placed twice in G3 events. Tom's Magic's is a horse that travels well in his races, sometimes too well and on the edge of pulling; he is thoroughly game and genuine and, as mentioned, he is likely to keep on progressing. The possibility of moderate fractions is a worry but hopefully we will see at least an honest pace. This Mike Stidham trainee is the selection, and **3-1 morning line is not a bad price**.

SIMULATE was a nice 16-1 winner for us at Saratoga last summer, but a fair bit of that profit was lost by backing him again in subsequent races (at least in this office). The reason he was a tempting bet again and again wasn't only because of his nice win at the Spa; his runner-up effort as a heavily backed favorite in the Secretariat Stakes - when he did not get the best of runs - was also very positive. Pace compromised, he came to late and lost by a length to Giocoso in that mile race. Giocoso has gone on to even better results, while Simulate has disappointed. Seventh in the Nashville Derby, tenth in the Bryan Station and fourth in the Tropical Park Derby aren't exactly inspiring achievement. That sort of form won't do in the Tampa Bay, but his **Globeform 102** in the summer means that he is a horse capable of getting into the first three or four. If he can reproduce it - and that's quite an 'if'. What does make this runner interesting is a combination of three factors; he raced prominently when winning at Saratoga (where he had two stakes winners well beaten) but has not been ridden like that since; he will be fitted with blinkers for the first time here, and he has post one. Perhaps he is the one who will be sent forward and give the likely pace setter Quatrocento a bit of pressure?

SPELLCAST is coming off a break since running second in an allowance heat over a mile on dirt at Mountaineer in early November; not exactly a conventional route to the Tampa Bay Stakes, but note that he ran to **Globeform 100** when second to Emmanuel under a tough weight in the PA Governor's Cup over 8.5 furlongs at Penn National and ran respectably also when fifth to the same rival in the Carey Memorial over 8 furlongs at Hawthorne last year. Making his first appearance on a bigger stage, Spellcast has improved since switching to turf and he has a nice 14-for-16 top three record.

CONCLUSION: Tom's Magic makes a lot of appeal. Win for the Money will be hard to beat if he is back to his best 2025-form and the same can be said about Quatrocento, but they are both somewhat dubious and 7-5 and 5-2 respectively are skinny prices. Let's hope the masses gravitate toward these two, thus pushing Tom's Magic's odds up. 3-1 would absolutely be an acceptable deal for this horse, but we may get even better. Trifecta players will struggle to find value alternatives to use underneath; after all the two B-horses are well clear of the rest on figures - but the first time blinkered Simulate may be third horse to throw into the Tri plan. He has two good performances, albeit months back, while the 15-1 chance Spellcast rounded his '25 campaign off in a more consistent way and could be better than it seems on paper.

PICK 3 opportunity: With Todd Pletcher's million dollar colt **DISRUPTOR** and Timothy Hamm's easy debut winner **LITTLE THUNDER** standing out in race eight, a 7-furlong allowance contest, this sequence makes for an interesting Pick 3; where we can go with Public Defender and Al Jafara in the third leg (with a smaller back up ticket using Aussie Girl), the two mentioned above in the second, and Tom's Magic as a single in the first. Made up of just 4+2 lines, this is an affordable betting plan with a chance.

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A	1 DISCO TIME
B	5 SKIPPYLONGSTOCKING WON @ 21-1, 11 WHITE ABARRIO 2nd EXACTA PAID 132-1
C	3 FULL SERRANO 3rd, 7 TAPPAN STREET, 9 CAPTAIN COOK TRIFECTA PAID 1,193-1
	BOXING OUR TOP THREE IN SIX \$10 EXACTAS RETURNED A HEALTHY \$1,270 NET PROFIT

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A	7 TOM'S MAGIC
B	3 QUATROCENTO, 6 WIN FOR THE MONEY
C	1 SIMULATE

Win for the Money 2nd / Gulfstream Alw (R7 / 15:40): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TIV_agxknvQ

Win for the Money 3rd / Fourstardave Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SI7HR37Hu4Q>

Win for the Money 3rd / Kelso Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7uolizS1bhc>

Win for the Money / Woodbine Mile '24: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UJNSmqta2_4

Quatrocento 6th / Ft. Lauderdale Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mw1KSYXntc4>

Quatrocento 6th / River City Stakes: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7KS4vYZwy_Q

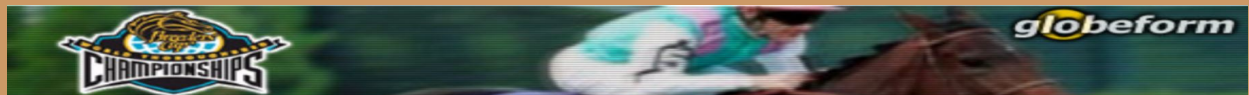
Quatrocento 6th / Coolmore Turf Mile: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JS78kfCPjxE>

Tom's Magic 2nd / Hollywood Derby: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5kMQaS-FGul>

Tom's Magic / Breeders' Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q0UOjSrhnlY>

Tom's Magic 2nd / King's Plate: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x57tuBwDFNc>

Tom's Magic / Tale of the Cat Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yaQxwt89qrk>



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