

# GOLDEN GATE ANALYSIS

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## **BEST BET: Senator Matty (2nd race)**

### **First Race: 1.Serpineserpentine 2.Sweet Sweet Taylor 3.World Celebrity**

SERPINESERPENTINE didn't have much left for the stretch run in her first start at this level after a solid graduation effort. Was part of a pressured pace last time but may have an easier time here. Outside post works to her advantage as well given her speed. SWEET SWEET TAYLOR drops after running in place last time when part of an odds-on entry. Did make up some ground late after racing wide. This is the lowest level she's run at, and she could make her presence felt in the lane. WORLD CELEBRITY has hit the board in half her starts here. Set pace in route try last time when dropped to this level and returns to a sprint here. Has the ability to get a good stalking trip and has easy maintenance work since her last start.

### **Second Race: 1.Senator Matty 2.Coleryan 3.Stella's Posada**

SENATOR MATTY has had an exacta finish in all three starts since returning from a three-month break. Past classer has hit board in all four starts here. Won qualifier for this race and then ran second after being part of contentious pace duel in open race for this tag. COLERYAN scored a game win two back and closed nicely last time when he lost by less than a length. Didn't show as much early foot last time but still finished strongly. STELLA'S POSADA has been the beaten favorite in his past two starts. Had an excuse last time, racing wide and getting forced even farther out on the track. Won conditioned race at this qualifying level earlier at this meet.

### **Third Race: 1.Letsgobyebye 2.Change Your Mask 3.Little Duanie**

LETSGOBYEBYE has run for this tag three times and has scored victories each time. Has been competitive against better since his return to racing at this meet. Dropped to this level last time and dominated on the pace while earning a career-best Beyer. Has decent work since then and knows how to put good races together. CHANGE YOUR MASK makes his third start following a three-month layoff. Was sent north and dropped to this level last time. Grabbed the lead in the lane but couldn't hold. Beaten favorite has win and third in two starts over this turf course so shouldn't mind today's surface switch. LITTLE DUANIE has picked up checks in his past eight starts since a disappointing debut. Ran well in his turf debut last time while also earning a career-best Beyer. Might need easier to be more viable contender but can't be dismissed in exotics.

### **Fourth Race: 1.Sagle's Guy 2.Simply Michael 3.Kemer Bee**

SAGLE'S GUY has been the runner-up in his past three starts, all of which have come at this level. Two of the second-place efforts came at this distance with the margin in the two losses measuring less than one length after he led in the lane. Has an easy maintenance drill since his last start. SIMPLY MICHAEL appears the stronger part of an entry in this race. Has chased the top pick in two of his past three starts. Best effort came when he was asked to run a bit early, and he gets his rider from that effort for this. KEMER BEE has been running on turf of late and switches to Tapeta today. Turf runners have fared well here, and he should be able to handle the surface as he drops from the lowest turf level to the lowest main-track level.

### **Fifth Race: 1.Holy Coyote 2.Christie's Glory 3.True Music**

HOLY COYOTE has hit the board in all six starts this year, winning half of them. Broke slowly last time and had traffic trouble but still rallied for third. Won't have as much to do late this time and is capable of returning to the winner's circle here. CHRISTIE'S GLORY has been the runner-up in two starts following eight-plus months on the sideline. Lone win came on the turf, but he's shown he can sprint and should have no excuses here with the two starts under his belt. TRUE MUSIC got the lead in the lane last time but hung badly and couldn't even hold second. Runner that beat him appears earlier on the card, and his result could be an indicator of what to expect here.

### **Sixth Race: 1.Miss Caper 2.River Island Honey 3.Sottovoce**

MISS CAPER has been running at the bottom level down south and now comes north to meet bottom-of-the-barrel types here. Did nothing last time after breaking slowly from the rail, but her best efforts are good enough to reach the winner's circle here. RIVER ISLAND HONEY has run consistently throughout most of her career with three seconds and three thirds in six starts this year. Has been the runner-up in three of four starts for this tag along with a third. SOTTOVOCE showed improvement in her last start. She stalked but had nothing left in the lane. Has had six weeks since her last start, and barn does show flat-bet profit — but low win percentage — following similar layoffs. Will need to show speed as she did last time with rail draw.

### **Seventh Race: 1.Beulah Fay 2.Virginia Pearl 3.Grandexcess**

All five of BEAULAH FAY's siblings are winners, including multiple stakes winner Ducky Drake. Showed improvement in second start following a four-month layoff. Got fanned wide and did slow down a bit late, but that race and a solid drill since should have her set for a big effort here. VIRGINIA PEARL makes her debut here after a pair of basically even efforts against better down south. Outside draw will help. Moves from father to son, and new barn shows positive results with new faces and with 2 YOs. GRANDEXCESS is from a stakes-placed dam and by a sire that is very good with first-timers. Lone sibling is 3-for-16 on the track. Good works but barn is not known for winning with first-timers. Keep her in mind in exotics though.

### **Eighth Race: 1.Quick Meeting 2.Mtn Ranch Willy 3.Reality Now**

QUICK MEETING makes his third start after an 11-month layoff. Showed improvement in start No. 2 but was the beaten favorite against MTN RANCH WILLY, who was winning his third straight. Like the speed and ability to finish. With a solid work since the last start, expect more improvement today. Mtn Ranch Willy has good speed but doesn't need the lead to win. Has moved up the claiming ladder with ease, winning an allowance race last time. Runner-up in those first two wins came back to win next start. Takes advantage of his Cal-bred status to run in a first-level allowance race again. REALITY NOW has run his best races here with three wins and a second in five starts. Has speed and likes to sit close. made comeback following nine-month layoff down south and has bullet works since.

### **Ninth Race: 1.Icee's Rocket 2.Dam Near Freezing 3.Niccolo Dream**

ICEE'S ROCKET has turned in a pair of good efforts and should have no excuses in start No. 3. Content to sit back early and has shown ability to finish strongly. Has easy maintenance drill since his last start. Stretching out here, but breeding suggests he'll like two turns. DAM NEAR FREEZING showed vast improvement when stretched out last time. That winner has already come back to beat winners, and the runner-up looks solid in a race earlier on this card. Like fact he has experience at distance and decent work since raced. NICCOLO DREAM has had many chances. He's gone 0-for-20 but has hit the board in half his starts. Have to like him in exotics.