

Media Guide

The Gothenburg Trophy presented by **VOLVO**



Saturday Night Feature: The Gothenburg Trophy

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Quick Notes

The **Gothenburg Trophy presented by VOLVO** serves as Saturday's pinnacle event, representing a significant step up in technicality and prestige from the weekday classes. While the earlier 1.50m and 1.55m rounds tested speed and agility, tonight's 1.55m+ track demands a blend of raw power and championship-level composure.

- **Entries:** A compact field of **37 entries** will face the starter.
- **The "Magic Number":** Analytical models suggest a tight jump-off, expecting only **8 or 9** combinations to navigate the first round clear.

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Previous Winners

The winner's circle of the Gothenburg Trophy often serves as a springboard for legendary careers. Most notably, the 2015 victory by **H&M All In** marked the first top-level win for a horse that would eventually secure two individual Olympic medals.

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Former Winners

Last 10 runnings of the Gothenburg Trophy



| Year | Winners | Elo at time | Elo Field Strength | Winning margin (in secs) |
|------|---|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 2025 |  Iliana <i>Henrik von Eckermann</i> | 718 | 661 | 0.22 |
| 2024 |  Highway TN N.O.P. <i>Willem Greve</i> | 747 | 644 | 0.43 |
| 2023 |  Mr. Tac <i>Victor Bettendorf</i> | 695 | 632 | 0.78 |
| 2020 |  Calisto Blue <i>Daniel Deusser</i> | 746 | 631 | 0.75 |
| 2019 |  Oak Grove's Carlyle <i>Rolf-Göran Bengtsson</i> | 673 | 637 | 2.20 |
| 2018 |  Cash Sent <i>Robert Whitaker</i> | 579 | 644 | 0.56 |
| 2017 |  Tanael des Bonnes <i>Aldrick Cheronnet</i> | 690 | 600 | 0.22 |
| 2016 |  Misanto Pret a Tout <i>Marcus Ehning</i> | 674 | 638 | 0.28 |
| 2015 |  H&M All In <i>Peder Fredricson</i> | 572 | 622 | 0.93 |
| 2014 |  Titan <i>Emma Emanuelsson</i> | 604 | 596 | Only clear in jump-off |

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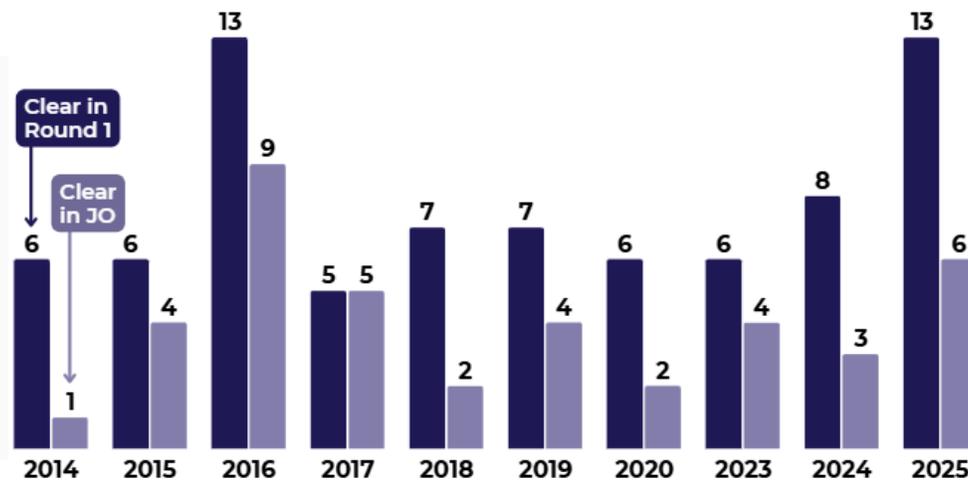
Previous Clear Rates

The Gothenburg Trophy is statistically the most difficult class of the show, characterized by the lowest clear rate; **23%**.

The Jump-Off clear rate rises to **52%**, indicating that once the initial pressure of the first round is cleared, over half the remaining field tends to stay faultless.

How many will make it to the jump-off?

Based on previous editions of this class, we are expecting **8 or 9** of tonight's 37 entries to make the jump-off.



Since 2014
(last 10 runnings)

Gothenburg Trophy

Average class size: **33**

Average R1 clear rate: **23%**

Average JO clear rate: **52%**

Who do we expect will jump clear?

The EquiRatings Prediction Model identifies those with the highest probability of surviving the initial round to reach the jump-off.

Although not competing today, **Peder Fredricson** remains the king of consistency in this specific class; **6 clear rounds from 8 starts** over the last decade.

The next best is **Rolf Goran Bengtsson** with 4 clears from 6 rounds; he has a 33% chance of adding to this today.

Willem Greve's Pretty Woman has two World Cup wins already this year and will be one of the ones to watch. If they progress through R1, they have an incredible Jump Off record.

Patrick Stuhlmeyer and Conterno arrive in great form with a run of four consecutive clears.

Who do we expect to see in the jump-off?

Who are the combinations with the **highest chance of jumping clear** in today's Gothenburg Trophy?

| Rider | Clear Chance |
|---|--------------|
|  Pretty Woman Van't Paradijs N.O.P. Willem Greve | 45% |
|  Vitiki Yuri Mansur | 42% |
|  Vistogrand Denis Lynch | 42% |
|  Mr. Tac Harrie Smolders | 40% |
|  Quinoa De La Liniere Koen Vereecke | 36% |
|  Conterno-blue PS Patrick Stuhlmeyer | 35% |
|  Equine America Unick Du Francport John Whitaker | 34% |
|  Hellix Du Seigneur Kim Emmen | 34% |
|  Equine America Gentlemen Vh Veldhof Robert Whitaker | 33% |
|  Caillan Rolf-Goran Bengtsson | 33% |

Peder Fredricson holds the **clear-round record** over the last 10 editions of this class: 6 R1 clears from 8 starts.

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Who is dangerous in a jump-off?

Success in the Gothenburg Trophy will require a rider who can maintain a clean sheet while maximising speed in the second phase.

- **Yuri Mansur and Vitiki** lead the field with a **71% jump-off clear rate** from 14 runs - the best high-volume rate
- Willem Greve and Pretty Woman have three podiums from four clear rounds in Jump Offs.
- **John Whitaker** has converted **7 podiums** from 16 jump-off runs at this level, a 44% podium rate

Who is dangerous in the jump-off?

Who are the ones to look out for if they reach the jump-off tonight?

| Horse & Rider | JO Runs | JO Clears | JO Clear Rate | JO Wins | JO Podiums |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|---------|------------|
|  Vitiki Yuri Mansur | 14 | 10 | 71% | 4 | 6 |
|  Equine America Unick Du Francport John Whitaker | 16 | 9 | 56% | 1 | 7 |
|  Vistogrand Denis Lynch | 10 | 5 | 50% | 0 | 3 |
|  Pretty Woman Van't Paradijs N.O.P. Willem Greve | 6 | 4 | 67% | 2 | 3 |
|  Blood Diamond Du Pont Julien Anquetin | 11 | 4 | 36% | 2 | 5 |
|  Mr. Tac Harrie Smolders | 5 | 3 | 60% | 1 | 3 |
|  Campai 3 Eiken Sato | 1 | 1 | 100% | 0 | 0 |
|  Evolution Ask DWB Soren Moeller Rohde | 1 | 1 | 100% | 0 | 0 |
|  EKA First Navy Jack Carl-Walter Fox | 1 | 1 | 100% | 0 | 0 |
|  Vivantas Philipp Schulze Topphoff | 1 | 1 | 100% | 0 | 1 |

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Who are the **ones on form**?

Which combinations in tonight's field have the **strongest CSI5* 1.55 form** over the last 12 months?

| Horse & Rider | Rounds | Clears | Clear Rate | Avg. Clear % | Elo rating |
|--|--------|--------|-------------|--------------|------------|
|  Quebello D Adam Carey | 1 | 1 | 100% | 34% | 578 |
|  Conterno-blue PS Patrick Stuhlmeier | 3 | 2 | 67% | 25% | 671 |
|  Mr. Tac Harrie Smolders | 14 | 7 | 50% | 23% | 726 |
|  Colonello Johan-Sebastian Gulliksen | 9 | 4 | 44% | 26% | 624 |
|  Pretty Woman Van't Paradij's N.O.P. Willem Greve | 22 | 7 | 32% | 25% | 722 |
|  Campai 3 Eiken Sato | 7 | 2 | 29% | 31% | 631 |
|  Vitiki Yuri Mansur | 7 | 2 | 29% | 26% | 719 |
|  Vistogrand Denis Lynch | 24 | 6 | 25% | 30% | 692 |
|  Opaline De W&S Petronella Andersson | 17 | 4 | 24% | 25% | 614 |
|  Hellix Du Seigneur Kim Emmen | 13 | 3 | 23% | 25% | 642 |

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The Win Chances

Who will win the Gothenburg Trophy on Saturday?

According to EquiRatings Predictive Analysis



| Horse & rider | Win chance | Elo rating | 5* 155+ career clear rate (clears/rounds) |
|---|------------|------------|---|
|  Vitiki Yuri Mansur | 11% | 719 | 29% (34/116) |
|  Vistogrand Denis Lynch | 10% | 692 | 31% (32/104) |
|  Mr. Tac Harrie Smolders | 10% | 726 | 36% (9/25) |
|  Pretty Woman van't Paradijs N.O.P. Willem Greve | 10% | 722 | 34% (10/29) |
|  Equine America Unick du Francport John Whitaker | 6% | 655 | 33% (54/162) |
|  Quinoa de la Liniere Koen Vereecke | 6% | 666 | 0% (0/8) |
|  Equine America Gentlemen vh Veldhof Robert Whitaker | 5% | 631 | 20% (2/10) |
|  Blood Diamond du Pont Julien Anquetin | 5% | 666 | 22% (18/82) |
|  Conterno-Blue PS Patrick Stühlmeyer | 4% | 671 | 67% (2/3) |
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