

RACE BY RACE PREVIEWS: TURFFONTEIN INSIDE@2025.07.17

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 1, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R120.000, 11:50GMT+2

Race Summary: ALPINE JET could hardly have been more impressive when justifying market support to win on debut. However, with Gavin Lerena opting to stick with stablemate and fellow last-start winner PRETTY PERSUASIVE instead, riding arrangements suggest the latter is preferred. SPIRITRIX and LET'S GO LOLA are closely matched on form, and both have shown enough to acquit themselves competitively in this lineup. Maiden ANCHORAGE isn't taken lightly in receipt of 3kg and she wouldn't be winning out of turn having finished 2nd in each of her 3 appearances. VICTORY IN ORLEANS has earning potential too.

Selections:

#3 Pretty Persuasive, #1 Alpine Jet, #2 Let's Go Lola, #4 Spiritrix

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 2, Gallops, 1200m, Turf, R130.000, 12:22GMT+2

Race Summary: TOP DIVISION justified strong market support when winning on debut and with natural improvement could remain unbeaten. GOT THE FEELING and SUNSET WARRIOR have the form and experience to threaten the selection. SECOND TO NUNN, GAVIUS MAXIMUS and recently gelded ALPHA WORLD are likely to improve after pleasing introductions so they could also have a say.

Selections:

#3 Top Division, #1 Got The Feeling, #4 Alpha World, #7 Second To Nunn

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 3, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R105.000, 12:54GMT+2

Race Summary: FRERE JACQUES outran market expectations on debut when a fast-finishing 2nd over 1200m. He has been off the track for a while but would've strengthened and improved during his subsequent absence, so a forward showing is expected. Youngster SAFE TRAVEL is bred to appreciate this extended trip and won't need to improve much after back-to-back 3rds over 1000m to play a leading role. SEVENTH FLEET and JOHNNY DRAMA have shown enough to make their presence felt too. Watch the betting on newcomers LORD KELVIN, LUWAK and OLYMPIAN GOLD.

Selections:

#4 Frere Jacques, #8 Safe Travel, #1 Seventh Fleet, #6 Luwak

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 4, Gallops, 1450m, Turf, R95.000, 13:26GMT+2

Race Summary: WINDS OF GRACE was 2nd over track and trip last time and need only produce a similar performance to fight for victory. Improving RENDEVOUS IN RIO also filled the runner-up berth recently but has to overcome a wide draw. Youngster WISE COUNSEL fits a similar profile but should improve for the step up to this distance. WINTER WEDDING didn't go unnoticed on debut over 1160m and could also be competitive over this extended trip with that experience to count on.

Selections:

#1 Winds Of Grace, #12 Wise Counsel, #2 Rendevous In Rio, #11 Winter Wedding

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 5, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R95.000, 14:00GMT+2

Race Summary: This won't take much winning and HOPSCOTCH, despite a wide 10 draw, is good value to open her account over a distance more to her liking. Sparingly raced MATTIAZO is open to improvement but is held by the selection on recent form. FLIGHTLIGHT, BELLA BOOP BOOP and CAPE FLOWER appeal most of the remainder.

Selections:

#10 Hopscotch, #2 Mattiazo, #3 Bella Boop Boop, #1 Flightlight

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 6, Gallops, 1800m, Turf, R105.000, 14:35GMT+2

Race Summary: MIZZEN SWORD, SANTIAGO'S PRIDE, HEROIC ACT, GIFT OF ROYAL, ROYAL MIRACLE and ALAKANANI are experienced maidens with fair recent form and they should be competitive, though are vulnerable to less-exposed rivals PRAETORIAN and SERGEANT SOQRAT who could improve stretching out to this distance.

Selections:

#3 Heroic Act, #5 Royal Miracle, #1 Mizzen Sword, #10 Sergeant Soqrat

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 7, Gallops, 1000m, Turf, R80.000, 15:12GMT+2

Race Summary: Improving last-start winner MISTY METAL carries a big weight on her handicap debut but has more scope than her rivals. Class-droppers PRINCESS LOLA and LONELY AS A CLOUD are respected off reduced marks but preference is for consistent hard-knocker CAPTAIN EFFICIENT who is overdue a 2nd career victory.

Selections:

#2 Captain Efficient, #1 Misty Metal, #4 Lonely As A Cloud, #3 Princess Lola

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 8, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R110.000, 15:47GMT+2

Race Summary: FRANCINE and QUEEN OF LOVE finished behind MISS HANNIGAN recently over 1400m but are better off at the weights and there shouldn't be much between the trio on these revised terms over the extra 200m. Fellow last-start winner IT'S HER WAY is up in class and carries a 6-point penalty so she will be tested off her career-high mark. KISSHOTEN has thrived since relocating to the Highveld and could represent the value in this race over this trip after an eye-catching last start over shorter. Highveld newcomer FATAL GEM and HONG KONG aren't discounted.

Selections:

#7 Kisshoten, #6 It's Her Way, #2 Miss Hannigan, #1 Francine

Turffontein Inside, 17.07.2025, Race 9, Gallops, 1600m, Turf, R100.000, 16:20GMT+2

Race Summary: AZALEAS FOR ALL showed her form and well-being when winning for the 2nd time in her last 3 starts on the Polytrack in KZN over 2000m last month. A resultant 3-point penalty seems rather lenient and, even under top-weight 60kg, she's good value to continue her hot streak. Fellow last-start winner ANNEWITHAN E fits a similar profile and should remain competitive off a career-high mark. STREISAND, PLAY WITH FIRE, QUANTUM and PRETTY ANALIA (unbeaten over the course and distance) are consistent hard-knockers with the form and experience to make their presence felt.

Selections:

#1 Azaleas For All, #4 Annewithan E, #2 Streisand, #6 Pretty Analia