

Buffalo Trace Franklin County Stakes (G3)

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**20th Running • Fall • 5 1/2 furlongs (turf) •
3-year-olds and up • fillies and mares**

This stakes is named for Franklin County of Central Kentucky, whose county seat is the state capital of Frankfort. Buffalo Trace Distillery of Frankfort has sponsored the race since 2005. The race was upgraded from a listed stakes to a Grade 3 event for 2016.



Keeneland/Coady

Keeneland sales graduate Ageless held off favored Lady Shipman by a head to win the Buffalo Trace Franklin County.

Milestones – Franklin County Stakes

2015 Purse: \$100,000

Fastest Time at Current Distance (5 1/2 furlongs): 1:01 3/5 (Haggin Course), Chris's Thunder, 2000

Largest Straight Payoff: \$68.20, Mimi's Bling, 2010

Smallest Straight Payoff: \$2.80, Confessional, 2001

Largest Field: 12, 2007; 2011; 2014

Smallest Field: 7, 1997; 1998 (1st div.)

Largest Value to Winner: \$116,700, 2009



Winning Trainer
Arnaud Delacour



Winning Jockey
Julien Leparoux

Franklin County Stakes History

Year	Winner/Age/Owner	Jockey/Wgt./Trainer	2nd/Age/Jockey/Wgt.	3rd/Age/Jockey/Wgt.	Time	Margin
2015	Ageless (6) Lael Stables	Julien Leparoux (124) Arnaud Delacour	Lady Shipman (3) Eduardo Nunez (122)	Free as a Bird (6) Joe Bravo (120)	1:03.66 fm Keeneland Course	hd
2014	Free as a Bird (5) Elizabeth J. Valando	Joel Rosario (122) Ian Wilkes	Ageless (5) Julien Leparoux (124)	Sweet Cassiopeia (6) Joseph Rocco Jr. (120)	1:03.60 yl Haggin Course	1 1/2
2013	Queen's Award (6) Coudelaria Jessica Inc.	Kent Desormeaux (120) Eduardo Caramori	Madame Giry (4) Eddie Castro (122)	Sweet Cassiopeia (5) Joseph Rocco Jr. (120)	1:03.12 fm Keeneland Course	1/2
2012	Madame Giry (3) Nutmeg Stable	Eddie Castro (120) Cam Gambolati	Bounding Bi (5) James Graham (120)	Sensible Lady (3) Xavier Perez (120)	1:03.12 fm Keeneland Course	2 1/2
2011	Wild About Marie (4) Dawn and Ike Thrash	Robby Albarado (118) Jeffrey D. Thornbury	Supreme (4) Luis Garcia (118)	You Need Me (4) Gabriel Saez (120)	1:03.01 fm Keeneland Course	2
2010	Mimi's Bling (3) Eddie Kenneally and Peter Kirwin	Julien Leparoux (116) Eddie Kenneally	Canadian Ballet (5) Kent Desormeaux (120)	West Ocean (4) John R. Velazquez (122)	1:03.48 fm Haggin Course	1/2
2009	Dubai Majesty* (4) Martin Racing Stable LLC (William and Stephanie Martin) and Dan Morgan	Jamie Theriot (120) W. Bret Calhoun	Libor Lady (4) Robby Albarado (120)	Nadeshiko (4) Miguel Mena (120)	1:03.64 sf Keeneland Course	1 1/4
2008	Sly Storm (3) Glen Hill Farm (Leonard H. Lavin)	Jamie Theriot (118) Thomas F. Proctor	dh-Taletobetold (4)/Adhsilver (3) Julien Leparoux (118)/Brian Hernandez Jr. (116)		1:03.60 fm Haggin Course	nk
2007	Stylish Wildcat (4) CRK Stable (Susan Searing)	Garrett Gomez (118) John W. Sadler	Taletobetold (3) Julien Leparoux (118)	Adore You (5) Miguel Mena (118)	1:03.71 fm Haggin Course	nk

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2006	Society Hostess* (4) Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd. (Walter Haefner)	Garrett Gomez (118) Christophe Clement	Bright Gold (6) Horacio Karamanos (120)	Gilded Gold (5) Rafael Bejarano (122)	1:09.59 ft Off Turf	2
2005	Bright Gold (5) Hazel B. Marsh	Horacio Karamanos (124) Mary Eppler	Tara's Touch (SAF) (6) Mike Smith (124)	Mocha Queen (4) Brice Blanc (118)	1:02.53 fm Keeneland Course	2
<i>Run as the Clark County Stakes 2003-2004.</i>						
2004	Dyna Da Wyna* (4) WinStar Farm LLC (Bill Casner et al)	Pat Day (124) W. Elliott Walden	Speedy Sonata (3) Willie Martinez (118)	Black Escort (3) Mark Guidry (116)	1:03.32 gd Keeneland Course	2 1/2
2003	On the Fritz (5) Woodlynn Farm (Bob Hoeweler)	Robby Albarado (118) James E. Baker	Brown Eyed Beauty (4) Calvin Borel (120)	Paige's Boo (6) Mark Guidry (118)	1:02.92 fm Keeneland Course	hd
<i>Run as the A.P. Indy Stakes 1997-2002.</i>						
2002	Dixie Tactics (4) Don Eberts	Edgar Prado (118) Morris Nicks	Presumed Innocent (5) Daniel Coa (118)	Fuse It (4) Rene Douglas (118)	1:03.47 fm Haggin Course	1 3/4
2001	Confessional* (5) Pin Oak Stable (Josephine Abercrombie)	Ramon Dominguez (124) H. Graham Motion	Thunder Sands (3) Tammy Fox (116)	Charm (4) Jon Court (118)	1:04.06 gd Haggin Course	3 1/2
2000	Chris's Thunder (5) Michael Schwartz	Pat Day (123) Kelly Broussard	Steal a Heart (5) Robby Albarado (123)	Atlantic Destiny (IRE) (4) Rick Wilson (123)	1:01 3/5 fm Haggin Course (NCR)	2 1/4
1999	Ayrial Delight (7) Dwight M. Mentzer	Marlon St. Julien (123) R. James Taylor	Liable (4) Robby Albarado (121)	Horsemint (4) Brian Peck (117)	1:03 2/5 yl Haggin Course	hd
1998	Ayrial Delight* (6) (1st) Dwight M. Mentzer	Randy Romero (123) R. James Taylor	More Silver (4) Shane Sellers (115)	Miswaki Girl (3) Willie Martinez (113)	1:03 4/5 fm Haggin Course	no
1998	Song of Africa* (5) (2nd) Ron Magers	Pat Day (115) John C. Kimmel	Tigresa (6) Tracy Hebert (115)	Danyross (IRE) (3) Brian Peck (113)	1:03 2/5 fm Haggin Course	2
1997	Affair With Aflair (3) (1st) Simi Stable (Peter Bradley)	Willie Martinez (113) Richard J. Lundy	First Fling (3) Pat Day (113)	Your Moon (5) Dean Kutz (115)	1:04 1/5 fm Haggin Course	5 1/2
1997	Mariuka (4) (2nd) Calumet Farm (Henryk de Kwiatkowski)	Donna Barton (115) Charles LoPresti	Ultimate Strike (5) Pat Day (115)	Sweet Claire Bear (4) Juvenal Diaz (123)	1:04 4/5 fm Haggin Course	nk

* Winning favorite.

Grade 3, 2016.

In 2006, the race was run at six furlongs on the main track.



Ageless (right) defeated eight rivals in the Buffalo Trace Franklin County.