

LONGINES MASTERS PARIS



Longines Masters is the ultimate Show Jumping experience; add in a European crowd, and you are in for the show of a lifetime.

From a boutique shopping experience in the prestige village featuring high-end brands from the equine industry to the incredible competition taking place throughout the day, it is an event like no other. The moment you step through the entryway, you are greeted with a full-sized operating Longines carousel. A few steps further and you will be standing at the rail of the warm up ring, where you can watch the best riders and trainers in the world prepare for the day's spectacular events.

While the Longines events are always thrilling, this year's Longines Masters Paris included the first-ever leg of the prestigious Riders Masters Cup, a team event featuring top riders from the United States competing head-to-head against top riders from Europe. Grab a flag and cheer on your team – this is one of the most anticipated new events in Show Jumping. The head-to-head nature of this competition adds a new level of fast-paced excitement to the jumping ring.

Team USA is lead by an esteemed *Chef d'Equipe* in Robert Ridland, a former Olympic Rider who competed at the Munich games in 1972. Ridland's Team USA is composed of Lauren Hough, Laura Kraut, Kent Farrington, McLain Ward, Quentin Judge, Reed Kessler, Andrew Kocher, Devin Ryan, and Chloe Reid. Although they put forth some incredible rides in the inaugural Riders Master Cup in Paris, in the end Team EU took home the first victory. Team USA will have a chance to take the title at the second leg of the Riders Masters Cup on April 28, 2018 at Longines Masters New York, to be held at the newly renovated NYCB LIVE, home of the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum on Long Island. ■ BY TPH WEB DIRECTOR BETSY KELLEY





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