

Racing



Racing is in the heart and soul of every Arabian horse. Breeders in England recognized this when they selected the Darley Arabian, Godolphin Arabian and Byerley Turk as the foundation sires for the Thoroughbred racehorse. With its own long history of Racing, the athleticism, speed and beauty of this desert horse made it the perfect choice. Keeping this in mind, Arabian Racing today makes perfect sense.

Arabian Racing in North America was organized about 1959 and has more than quadrupled in size over the past 10 years. Today's Arabian racehorse has many advantages and opportunities. It runs against other Purebred Arabians at a growing number of racetracks across the United States and Canada and compete for an ever-increasing amount of purse money. Bettors have enthusiastically welcomed the breed and enjoy the beauty and heritage of the Arabian horse.

More horses are running in more races each year making Arabian Racing the fastest growing segment in the racing industry. In recent years, Arabian horses have won over \$4 million in races. As the popularity of this athletic breed continues, prize money is increasing and more tracks around the country are eager to include and expand the use of Purebred Arabian horses in their race meets.

Some owners have the perception that horse racing is too expensive for them to participate. But armed with knowledge, growing prize money and increased opportunities for Arabian horses, Racing can prove to be a rewarding and enjoyable experience for the entire family. The Arabian Jockey Club is committed to ensuring that this growth continues. For more information visit www.arabianracing.org.

