



# JASON BLEWITT'S

## Race Analysis

*Friday, April 5, 2019*

RACE 1: 7 – 3 – 1 – 5

RACE 2: 2 – 7 – 1 – 4

RACE 3: 1 – 4 – 6 – 5

RACE 4: 4 – 1 – 6 – 3

RACE 5: 7 – 5 – 6 – 4

RACE 6: 3 – 9 – 2 – 4

RACE 7: 5 – 1 – 6 – 8

RACE 8: 3 – 6 – 7 – 1

RACE 9: 3 – 6 – 12 – 9

**Aiming for a Massive 'Splash' on the GP Green**  
Friday's 4<sup>th</sup> race not only goes as "leg A" of the single ticket jackpot Rainbow 6, it also houses one of the card's most intriguing turf puzzles on day 2 of the spring meet at Gulfstream Park. I'm giving the nod to a first-time turfer named Beau Splash, a John Vinson-trained gelding by Beau Choix that recently finished third in a comparable spot on the dirt. I've been impressed with the few (and I mean very few) Florida-bred runners by Beau Choix. Beau Choix was a solid turf runner a few years ago with trainer Barclay Tagg, a tough, knock-around kind of Grade 2 / 3 racehorse that did his thing and did it well with very little fanfare to boot. In the years since, he's put up some impressive numbers as a (very) modestly-priced Florida-based stallion (he stands for about 2k) with eight individual winners from just 11 total foals. On the racetrack, Beau Choix won seven of 27 turf races for about \$420,000, so theoretically speaking, Beau Splash could significantly "move up" in this first turf start. Also, as far as Beau Splash's lineage goes, he hails from a dam that has already foaled two winners over the turf from just three starters altogether. Beau Splash will team up with jockey Miguel Vasquez, who is poised to have a big spring and summer here in South Florida. Zaya, by virtue of his narrow head defeat on the grass here last month, is arguably the gelding-to-beat for trainer Kathy Ritvo. He didn't pull a "perfect turf trip" on March 13th but all in all, I believe had a very good run of things. Here is my personal trip note: hard-riden inside, not fast or quick enough to hold his position inside backstretch, inside till around the ¼-pole, taken 4-5 wide and closed gamely, out-finished.

*\*First-Race Post is 1:15 p.m. ET*

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