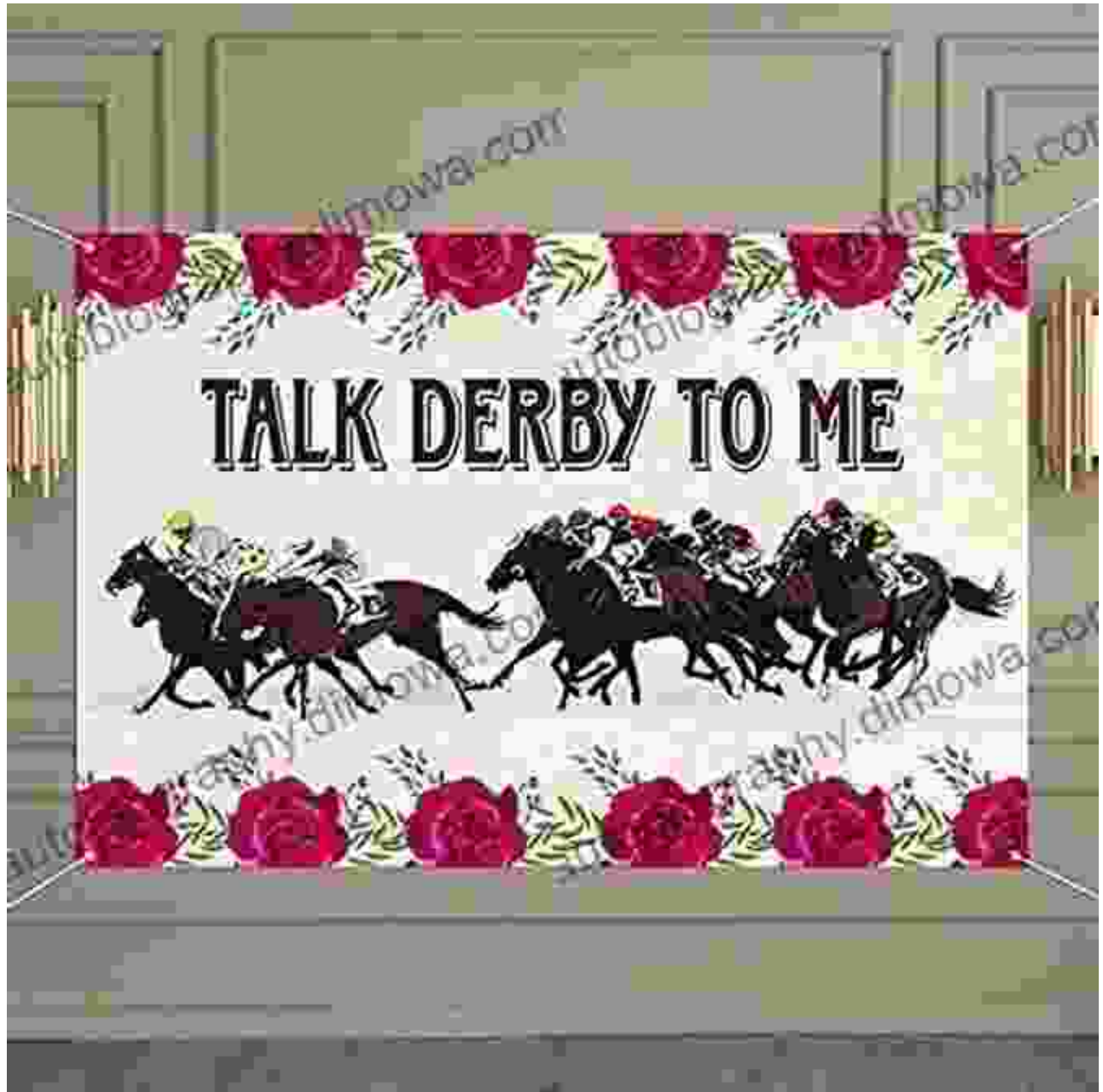


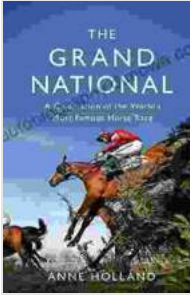
Celebration of the World's Most Famous Horse Race: The Kentucky Derby



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A Tradition that Spans Centuries

The Kentucky Derby is the most prestigious horse race in the United States and one of the most famous in the world. It has been held annually at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky, since 1875. The race is run on the first Saturday in May and covers a distance of 1 1/4 miles. The winner receives the coveted gold-plated trophy known as the "Run for the Roses."

The Kentucky Derby is also the first leg of the American Triple Crown, which consists of three races for three-year-old thoroughbreds. The other two legs are the Preakness Stakes and the Belmont Stakes. Only 13 horses have ever won the Triple Crown, with the most recent being Justify in 2018.

The Thrills and Spills of the Race

The Kentucky Derby is known for its thrilling races and unpredictable finishes. The track is notoriously challenging, and the horses are often pushed to their limits. In 2008, Mine That Bird, a 50-1 long shot, won the race in a stunning upset.

The race is also known for its spills and falls. In 2019, Maximum Security was disqualified after he interfered with other horses in the stretch run. In 2020, the race was postponed to September due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Legendary Horses and Jockeys

The Kentucky Derby has been graced by some of the greatest horses and jockeys in history. Secretariat, the "Big Red Machine," won the race by an unprecedented 31 lengths in 1973. Man o' War, known as the "Horse of the Century," won the race in 1919.

Jockey Bill Shoemaker holds the record for most Kentucky Derby wins, with five victories. Other legendary jockeys include Eddie Arcaro, who won the race four times, and Calvin Borel, who won the race three times.

A Celebration of Culture and Heritage

The Kentucky Derby is more than just a horse race. It is a celebration of culture and heritage. The race brings together people from all walks of life, and it is a major economic driver for the city of Louisville.

The Kentucky Derby is also a fashion event. Women wear elaborate hats and dresses, and men dress in their finest suits. The race is also known for its mint juleps, a traditional southern drink made with bourbon, sugar, mint, and water.

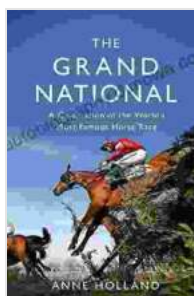
A Bucket List Experience

Attending the Kentucky Derby is a bucket list experience for many people. The race is a unique and unforgettable event. If you are a fan of horse

racing, history, or culture, then you should make plans to attend the Kentucky Derby at least once in your life.

Book Now!

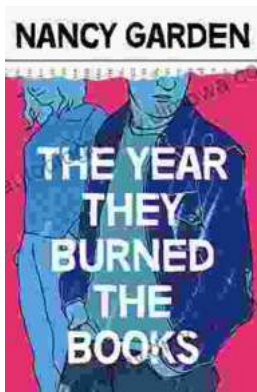
Tickets for the Kentucky Derby are on sale now. Visit the Churchill Downs website to Free Download tickets or learn more about the race.



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