

MELBOURNE CUP TRIVIA

The weird, the wonderful – and the wildly unexpected.

Q1. In what year was the first Melbourne Cup run?

- 1835
- 1861
- 1900
- 1921

Q2. What is the traditional race distance of the Melbourne Cup?

- 1,200m
- 2,000m
- 3,200m
- 5,000m

Q3. Which horse has won the most Melbourne Cups?

- Phar Lap
- Makybe Diva
- Kingston Town
- Black Caviar

Q4. What prize was awarded alongside money to the winner of the first Melbourne Cup in 1861?

- A golden saddle
- A silver bowl
- A hand-crafted gold watch
- A cow

Q5. Which famous horse mysteriously died in the USA after winning the 1930 Cup?

- Archer
- Phar Lap
- Rising Fast
- Carbine

Q6. Which song is traditionally played after the Melbourne Cup race ends at Flemington?

- Waltzing Matilda
- That Tuesday In November
- The Carnival Is Over
- My Old Kentucky Home

Q7. Frank Reys, who won the 1973 Cup, was notable for being:

- The first to ride barefoot
- The oldest winning jockey
- The first Indigenous Australian jockey to win
- The tallest winning jockey

Q8. Fashions on the Field started in what decade?

- 1940s
- 1960s
- 1980s
- 2000s

Q9. In 1997, what caused the Melbourne Cup to be briefly delayed mid-race?

- Someone running onto the track
- A kangaroo hopping across
- A horse stopping to... urinate
- A dog chasing the pack

Q10. Which celebrity famously cancelled their 2019 Melbourne Cup performance?

- Kylie Minogue
- Taylor Swift
- Delta Goodrem
- Katy Perry

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Q11. What metal is the Melbourne Cup trophy made from?

- Silver
- Gold
- Bronze
- Platinum

Q12. Which of these horses did *not* win a Melbourne Cup?

- Subzero
- Saintly
- Might And Power
- Tulloch

Q13. Which of these is not part of the Melbourne Cup Carnival?

- The Derby
- The Oaks
- The Grand National
- The Stakes

Q14. How many Melbourne Cups did legendary trainer Bart Cummings win?

- 6
- 10
- 12
- 14

Q15. What colour silks did Makybe Diva wear for her famous three wins?

- Red, white and blue with white stars
- Red with yellow diamonds
- Green with gold stripes
- Pink with black dots

Q16. Which flowers signify the Melbourne Cup?

- Red roses
- Tulips
- Carnations
- Yellow roses

Q17. Which horse won the very first two Melbourne Cups in 1861 and 1862?

- Archer
- Carbine
- Peter Pan
- Poseidon

Q18. At what odds did Prince of Penzance win the 2015 Melbourne Cup?

- 100 to 1
- 80 to 1
- 60 to 1
- 50 to 1

Q19. Which horse was the first internationally-trained winner of the Melbourne Cup, in 1993?

- Kingston Rule
- Delta Blues
- Dunaden
- Vintage Crop

Q20. Which Melbourne Cup winner famously came from last at the 400m to storm home and win?

- Carbine (1890)
- Rain Lover (1968)
- Kiwi (1983)
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