

Kentucky Derby Party at Bourbon Steak

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"The most exciting two minutes in sports" will be celebrated in grand Southern style at Bourbon Steak at the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess with a Kentucky Derby brunch and lawn party, 1 p.m. – 5 p.m., Saturday, May 3,



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Like "Millionaire's Row" at Churchill Downs, each guest will enjoy the traditions of the Derby atmosphere, including frosty mint juleps, live blues music, bourbon tastings and activities on the "Winner's Circle" lawn.

Executive Chef Chris Curtiss' brunch menu is filled with Southern flair, featuring Kentucky Derby hot browns, buttermilk fried chicken sandwiches, biscuits and gravy, crab Louie, Carolina shrimp and grits and truffled mac 'n' cheese. Sweet sensations include lemon meringue tarts, red velvet cupcakes and chocolate bourbon pecan pies. The brunch includes a commemorative keepsake Kentucky Derby glass and a complimentary mint julep. Race-watchers can also get in the spirit by ordering the "Seersucker" cocktail made with bourbon, peach and mint; "The Derby," made with bourbon, sweet vermouth, orange curacao and lime, the "Kentucky Cousin," made with Knob Creek bourbon Cherry Heering, lemon and black tea, or sipping a sparkling Iron Horse Blanc de Blancs.

Derby fans will view their favorite silks during the world's premier horse-racing event on plasma screens indoors and out, with complete Derby coverage from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. and the estimated race time is 3:24 p.m., Arizona time. There will be a sing-a-long of "My Old Kentucky Home" just before the post parade.

Since the Derby is just as much about fashion as it is horse racing, women of grace and taste are encouraged to complete their Derby look with their most stylish hats, while dapper gents might sport seersucker, both with a chance to win prizes from an esteemed panel of judges. Prizes include a beautiful hat for the ladies, dinner for two in Bourbon Steak and a weekend getaway to the Fairmont Scottsdale Princess. Trunk show offerings from specialty fashion retailers will also be on hand.

Outside on the "Winner's Circle," guests can pose for a "selfie" with Saul, a 4-time U.S. National Champion racehorse, enjoy a spring day on Bourbon Steak's new patio or play horseshoes and other lawn games.

Bourbon Steak's Kentucky Derby Brunch is \$79 per person, plus tax and service charge. Reservations are suggested by calling [480.585.2694](tel:480.585.2694). Tickets may also be purchased at the door.