



LYON EUREXPO **27 OCTOBRE 31 OCTOBRE** 2021

GREAT WESTERN RIDING AT THE EQUITA LYON SHOW!!

The Equita Lyon horse show and its Western Area kicked off today with a rich programme of competitions and demonstrations. Performance disciplines such as reining, barrel racing, ranch sorting, key disciplines on the other side of the Atlantic, will follow one another throughout the week, in competitions of a level unequalled in France, in an American atmosphere providing a real change of scene for visitors. A highlight of this edition: the European Reining Derby. We look forward to seeing you there!

The European Derby: THE Reining event not to be missed

The European Derby is a championship reserved for five to eight-year-old horses, which consists of a first qualifying leg, which started today, and a grand final on Saturday 30 October. The best continental horses and riders will come face to face once again in an exciting atmosphere at Equita Lyon in a breathtaking final, with section 2 taking place for the first time at night, on Saturday 30 October, from 7 pm to 10.30 pm. The Open category is reserved for professional riders from all over Europe.

In reining the rider must control his horse precisely and without resistance. During the competition, he must perform a series of several figures called a pattern including circles, roll-backs and sliding-stops. And all of this while holding his reins in just one hand! This discipline has been attracting many people in France for several decades and is particularly impressive for those who are novices! Some great performances are to be expected, and should not to be missed by all reining enthusiasts or visitors wishing to discover this fabulous discipline! A crazy atmosphere is guaranteed!

The Western Area: The hall for a real change of scene

Visitors will step into a world dedicated to American riding, where the colours of the Great West have pride of place. In the aisles, amateurs can try on cowboy boots and hats and novices are transported to the crazy atmosphere of the Wild West, where they can watch reining, barrel racing and ranch sorting competitions. Champions who have come from all over Europe come face to face in Lyon. An event not to be missed!

Western riding: The disciplines to discover

Although the Equita Lyon show is the setting for the key competition of the weekend, the European Reining Derby, other disciplines are also present throughout the event. Three rings are devoted to Western disciplines. Visitors can choose from:

. Barrel racing and pole bending: those who love speed will be thrilled with these competitions organised by Equita Lyon! Each rider has to perform a slalom between barrels in record time without making any mistakes. The European Cup and the French Cup will also offer breathtaking performances!



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. Ranch sorting and 3 Man 2 Gate: in these team competitions, the riders must sort numbered cows and push them from one pen to another in ascending order, and for the 3 Man 2 Gate class, in the ascending order of even and odd numbers. And all in under 1 minute and 10 seconds.

. Horsemen demonstration: Antoine Cloux, Maud Burnier, Nicolas Doucet and Luc Giordano are professionals in ethological horsemanship, an educational method developed on American ranches.

They will speak about their experience and share their knowledge, to improve the understanding and harmony between riders and horses. Antoine and Maud work and break horses of all disciplines and for all types of use in Haute-Savoie; Nicolas trains and breaks all types of horses and also handles difficult cases in the Monts du Lyonnais; as for Luc, he gives numerous courses each year, from discovering cattle, to ranch riding, ranch trail, ranch roping or buckaroo riding.

Western horses: breeds in the spotlight

At Equita Lyon, the three breeds of American horses, Appaloosa, Quarter Horse and Paint Horse have their own performance competition! The French Equestrian Federation also organises competitions! These events include competitions based on the fundamentals of Western riding. Each competition focuses on the horse and rider's ability to perform the basic tasks involved in a horse's work on the ranch. An opportunity for French riders to take part in the Equita Lyon Western Horse Show! We look forward to seeing you in the Western Area's rings, from 27 to 31 October!



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From 27 to 31 October 2021 at Lyon-Eurexpo.

- . Open every day from 8.30 am to 8.30 pm., except:
- on Thursday 28 October: access to the international arena's stands from 8 am for the FEI Dressage World CupTM Short Grand Prix presented by CREARA,
- . on Saturday 30 October, from 8.30 am to 10.30 pm (late-night opening),
- . and on Sunday 31 October from 8.30 am to 7 pm

"SPORT AND SHOW" EVENING TICKETS

. On Friday 29 October, at 7.30 pm*, show jumping: from €36**, the Longines Grand Prix followed by the equestrian show "Signature"

- . on Saturday 30 October, at 8 pm*, show jumping: from €36**
- The Equita Masters presented by Hermès Sellier, followed by the equestrian show "Signature"
- . on Sunday 31 October, at 1pm*, the Longines FEI Jumping World CupTM leg: From €36 **

*Times likely to be modified.

** Admission to the exhibition on the ticket holder's day of visit is offered with this ticket.

THE LYON WESTERN HORSE SHOW TICKET SALES

- . On Saturday 30 October, in the evening*, the NRHA European Open Derby Section 2 Final: € 36**
- *Times likely to be modified.
- ** Admission to the exhibition on the ticket holder's day of visit is offered with this ticket.

THE EQUITA APP IS NOW AVAILABLE FREE OF CHARGE!

The Equita app is now available on Apple Store and Play Store! The Equita app is new, unique and free of charge. It allows you to discover the competition schedule, the different types of entertainment and conferences, and rapidly find the location of specific stands, in a few clicks. Even better: the Equita app also allows you to follow the three competition arenas live and download each show jumping round and dressage test.

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