



Women Jockey's in the Kentucky Derby

Although women have been training, breeding and owning Derby winners for decades, the first female jockey did not ride in the Kentucky Derby until 1970. In 1968, Kathy Kusner sued the Maryland Racing Commission for denying her a racing license. She won the battle, and this opened the door for women jockeys being able to obtain a racing license. The following are the 6 women who have competed in the Kentucky Derby.

1970- Diane Crump aboard Fathom

1984- Patti Cooksey aboard So Vague

1991- Andrea Seefeldt aboard Forty Something

1992- Julie Krone aboard Ecstatic Ride

1995- Julie Krone aboard Suave Prospect

2003- Rosemary Homeister Jr. aboard Supah Blitz

2011- Rosie Napravnik aboard Pants On Fire

2013- Rosie Napravnik aboard Mylute

2014- Rosie Napravnik aboard Vicars In Trouble

