

# TECHNICIAN GARNERS TWO CHAMPIONSHIP STAYING HONORS IN FRANCE RATED TOP 3-YEAR-OLD, CO-TOP REGARDLESS OF AGE AMONG STAYERS ONLY SEVEN STAYERS IN THE WORLD RATED ABOVE TECHNICIAN IN 2019 LOGICIAN WORLD'S ONLY 3-YEAR-OLD STAYER RATED ABOVE TECHNICIAN



Technician has been richly rewarded for his tremendous achievements in France last season for his trainer Martyn Meade and owners Team Valor International by being rated at the pinnacle among Stayers to have raced around the globe.

Best in four individual stakes races in France and England, the Mastercraftsman grey finished his campaign in a rally, closing out his sophomore campaign with back-to-back triumphs at Longchamp first against 3-year-olds in the Group 2 Prix Jean Chaudenay and then facing his elders in the Group 1 Prix Royal-Oak.

In the category of 3-year-old Stayers, **Technician** was ranked second in the world only to Juddmonte's Group 1 St. Leger hero **Logician**. In France, he was rated atop the rankings.

In the category of all-aged Stayers, Technician was rated evenly at the top of the rankings in France with the previous year's Champion in **Holdthasigreen**, an older runner and multiple Group 1 winner.

Among all Stayers in the world, Technician is ranked below only seven runners as follows

- **Stradivarius** the top Stayer in the world, back-to-back winner of the Group 1 Ascot Gold Cup on top at 122
- **Dee Ex Bee** was runner-up to Stradivarius in the Gold Cups at Goodwood and Ascot, and runner-up in the Epsom Derby the year before at 119
- **Kew Gardens** won the Group 1 Grand Prix de Paris, Group 1 English St. Leger) at 119
- **Fierement** is a Japanese horse that won the Tenno Sho—Emperor's Cup is at 119
- **Logician** (the only 3-year-old) at 118
- **Cross Counter** won the Group 1 Melbourne Cup and is at 118
- **Master of Reality** was third in the Melbourne Cup as a 3-year-old and is at 118



Rated equal with Technician, 6 pounds below Stadivarius, are the aforementioned French Champion Holdthasigreen; the 3-year-old Irish Stayer Il Paradiso (third in last season's Melbourne Cup) and the top-rated filly on the list Search for a Song (beat all-aged males in the Group 1 Irish St. Leger).

Technician likely will hook up with the top-rated Stradivarius if a Cup race comes up with a cut in the ground in England later this season either at Goodwood or Ascot.