

# LA POLO

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Edition*



ASHWA  
PUJA

An Ode To The Horse



### Tortugas Open 2019

The Tortugas Open gets high with action. Catch the updates with LA POLO



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### Delhi Polo Season Is Back

We missed the Delhi Polo Season as much as you did. Well, kudos, the season is all set to go live early next week.



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### Ode to Past

The making and breaking of the Cowboy heels. A complete insight through history and tales of how the trend was set on fire and still does.

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### Toast to Ireland

The Irish team has qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. The qualification has been long awaited by the players.

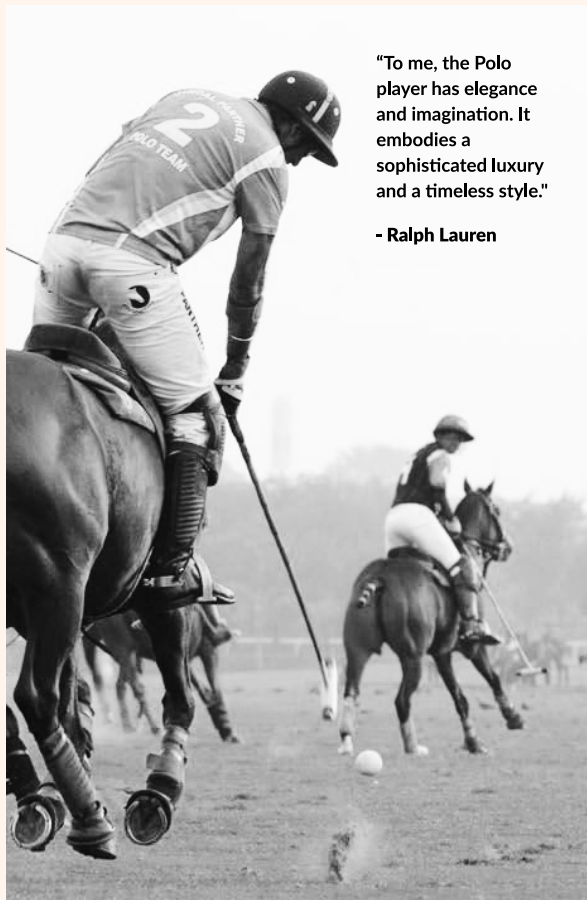
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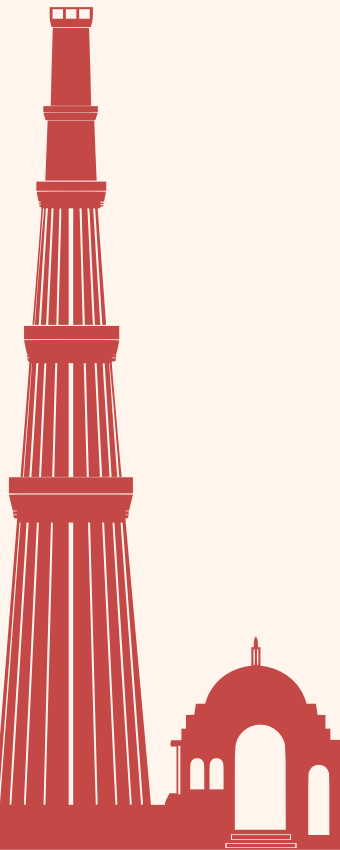
# POLO



"To me, the Polo player has elegance and imagination. It embodies a sophisticated luxury and a timeless style."

- Ralph Lauren

# DELHI FALL POLO SEASON 2019



( 10 Goal )

**Cavalry Gold Cup and  
COA Brig VP Singh Memorial Cup**

14, 15, 16, 17, 19 October

Finals: Sun, 20 Oct 2019

( 8 Goal )

**Bhopal-Pataudi Cup**

22, 23, 24, 25 October

Finals: Sat, 27 Oct 2019

( 2 Goal )

**Field Marshal Cariappa Cup**

22 to 31 October

Finals: Fri, 01 Nov 2019

( 12 Goal )

**12 Goal Tournament (NTBA)**

29, 30, 31 October, 02 November

Finals: Sun, 03 Nov 2019

( 14 Goal )

**Maharaja Sir Pratap Singh Cup**

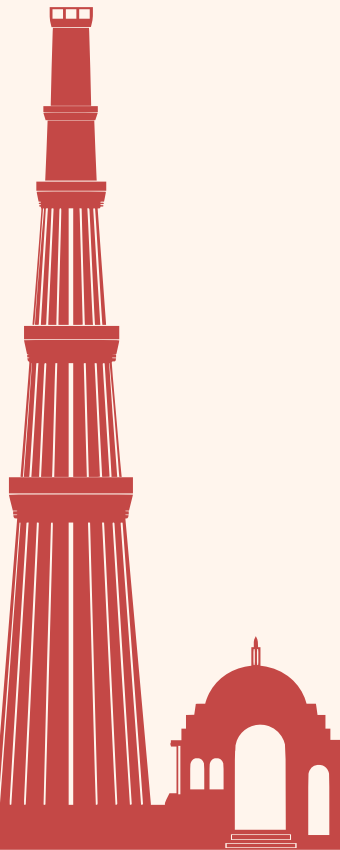
05, 06, 07, 09 November

Finals: Sun, 10 Nov 2019





# DELHI FALL POLO SEASON 2019



( 4 Goal )

**Baria Cup**

05 to 13 November

Finals: Fri, 15 Nov 2019

( 14 Goal )

**Indian Masters**

12, 13, 14, 16 November

Finals: Sun, 17 Nov 2019

( 6 Goal )

**DGST Trophy**

15 to 22 November

Finals: Sat, 23 Nov 2019

( 2 Goal )

**Junior National Polo Championship**

20 to 22 November

Finals: Sat, 23 Nov 2019

( Open )

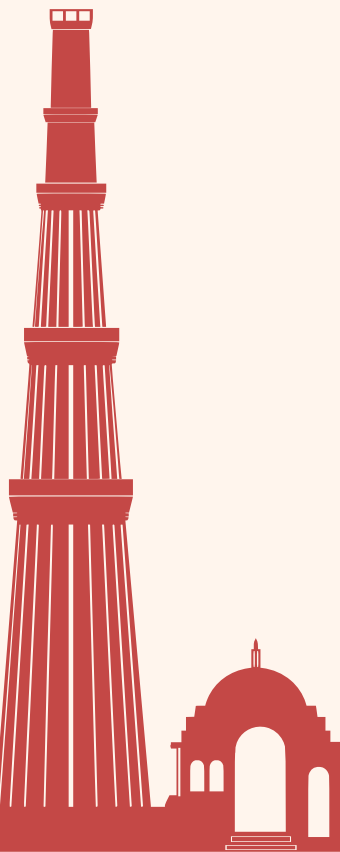
**IPA National Polo Championship**

19, 20, 21, 22 November

Finals: Sat, 24 Nov 2019



# DELHI FALL POLO SEASON 2019



( 8 Goal )

**IPG Col Girdhari Singh Memorial Cup**

26, 27, 28, 30 November

Finals: Sun, 01 Dec 2019

( 10 Goal )

**Baroda Cup**

03,04,05,07 December

Finals: Sun, 08 Dec 2019

( 4 Goal )

**Armd Corps Polo Trophy**

( 2 Goal )

**Junior Polo Tournament**

Only for Junior Riders

( 2 Goal )

**Army (PBOR) Polo Tournament**

Only for JCO/OR of Army/Navy



# JINDAL PANTHER CUP

9-13 October 2019

## NOIDA POLO SEASON 2019

### A. JINDAL PANTHER

Venkatesh Jindal 0  
Phil Sellar +2  
Simran S Shergill +6  
Naveen Jindal 0

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### B. ARAVALI POLO TEAM

Vandit Golecha +2  
Another  
Angad Kalaan +3  
Roddy Williams +3

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### C. SONA POLO

Sunjay Kapur 0  
Mitesh Mehta +1  
Abhimanyu Pathak +5  
Adhiraj Singh +1

### D. JINDAL FARM / TORPEDOES

Salim Azmi +3  
Rehat Virk 0  
Hemandera Rathore 0  
Cmdr AP Singh 2

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### E. YOUNGSTERS

Pranav Kapur +2  
Mahesh Sharma +1  
Raghav Rao +1  
Siddhant Sharma +4



# Declaring The Dates

Triple Crown

Argentina



*The Board of Directors of the Argentine Polo Association announced the dates of the upcoming 2019 Triple Crown in Argentina, due to start on October 8 with the Tortugas Open and will come to an end on December 14, with the final of the 126th. Argentine Polo Open Championship, at Palermo.*

**Dates are as follows:**

**TORTUGAS  
OPEN  
October 8 - 19**



**126TH  
HURLINGHAM  
OPEN:  
Oct. 22 - Nov. 9**

**126TH ARGENTINE POLO  
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP  
November 16 - December 14**



Image: The Bubble

# The Battle Has Begun

Tortugas Polo Open

Tortugas Polo Club, Argentina 

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*The world's highest average handicap Polo Championship, Tortugas is the traditional tournament of the Tortugas Country Club. The Club located in the town of Tortuguitas, was founded 85 years ago and is an icon Polo history. The Tortugas Open will be the first link of Argentine Triple Crown, which...*



Image: Matias Callejo

# The Tortugas Open Continues

Tortugas Polo Open

Tortugas Polo Club, Argentina 🌐

## A Quick Recap

### DAY 1

**13** Las Monjitas

**2** La Aguada

**17** Ellerstina

**6** La Ensenada

### DAY 2

**13** Cría Yatay

**11** LD Polo Ranch

**15** La Dolfina

**8** La Albertina



# The Castagnola Brothers

Copa de Oro del Metro Alto

Pilar, Argentina



*In a quiet decisive as well as predictable match, team La Natividad defeated its opposing team Los Indios/Indios Chapaleufú. Team La Natividad is a group of Castagnola brothers who as per their records in the game do not usually witness losses, went against in full swing and similar spirit the the team of the “Russian” Heguy and “Pancho” Bensadón with their children Cruz and Rufino , respectively. But the strategic planning of the brothers and their mindful defensive moves brought them closer to victory. So much so that, the match turned out to be single sided with the team wrapping up with a lead of 11 goals to 4.*

La Natividad 11 Vs

Los Indios / Indios Chapaleufú 4



Team La Natividad after their victory

# For The Women Players

X Curcuito Femenino

Pilar, Argentina



*The X Curcuito Femenino got into action this week at the Alfredo Lalor de Pilar in the low handicap category. The X Curcuito Femenino started in Headquarters, in which seven teams of 5 to 8 valuation goals participate, grouped in two areas that face the American.*

DAY 1

**Zona 1:** La Cañada - Reido Caviar 7, La Dolfina – La Dolfinita 2;  
La Candelaria de Pilar – Tromen 7, Martindale - Beefeaters 4.

**Zona 2:** Martindale Umewin 2, La Higerita 1 ½





# Handicap Revised

X Curcuito Femenino

Pilar, Argentina



*The Argentine Polo Association made changes in the valuation of players with amateur handicap, after having played the first tournament of the spring 2019.*

*14 players had increases in their valuations: the players and their new handicaps are the following:*

- +7:** Ignacio Abelenda, Emiliano Urien, Ignacio Aguirre Saravi and Andrés Lanusse.
- +6:** Nicolás Fernández Llorente, Ariel de la Fuente, Sergio Mauhum.
- +5:** Donald Robert Houlin, Santiago Perea, Carlos María Carcano, Claudio Ali and Diego Bancharo.
- +4:** Fernando Valente Buide and Mariano Salviani.



Image: AAP File

# The Low Handicap Category

Copa de Oro

Argentina



At Alfredo Lalor de Pilar Headquarters the Copa de Oro of the Metropolitan Low Handicap Tournament was defined last weekend. In a good polo match, La Atalaya defeated Coronel Suárez Polo One by 13-7 after receiving two goals of advantage for their lower overall valuation and took the trophy. The finals of Copa de Oro had the following team composition:

## La Atalaya +12

Facundo Llosa +5  
Tomás Díaz Pérez +1  
Lucas Luján +3  
Santiago Luján +3

## Coronel Suárez Polo One +14

Santiago Harriott +3  
Felipe Bond Field +3  
Tomás Alberdi +4  
Ignacio Alberdi +4

*The teams were judged by Martín Scortichini.*



# To The Xtremes

Xtreme Polo League

Pilar, Argentina



*On an excellent sunny day and with a great amount of spectators, it was defined at the Alfredo Lalor Headquarters that the AAP owns in Pilar, the No. 1 edition of the Xtreme Polo League (XPL), the first professional league polo world, driven by entrepreneur Juan Zavalía Paunero, in which six strong teams of between 29 and 34 valuation goals participated. The historic first final of the tournament, played on stage No. 1, went to Ellerstina, who defeated Las Monjitas 15-12. This was followed by an award giving ceremony that had the following proceedings:*

- MVP of the final: Bartolomé Castagnola (h).
- Rookie: Camilo Castagnola.
- Best Horse of the final: Chalo Lolli Pop, played by "Barto" Castagnola.
- AACCP Award for Best Registered Player Product: Antu Walung Selva, played by "Toad" Caset.



# Polo To Watch Out For



Image: Sydnestyle

## HALLOWEEN CUP

Al Habtoor Polo  
Resort & Club, Al Habtoor  
**6 Goal**

## 126 HURLINGHAM OPEN

Hurlingham Polo  
Club, UK

## For The Loyal Horse



Image: Media Office, The City Palace, Udaipur

Shri Arvind Singh Mewar of Udaipur performing the rituals during Ashwa Puja.

*An ode to the horse through Ashwa Puja. According to Hindu traditions, a horse has very important religious significance; they are the symbol of loyalty, self-respect, and power. This day acts as a medium to show our gratitude and honor towards the noble breed of horses to which we owe so much.*

***Following this, is the celebration of Ashwa Puja. LA POLO brings an insight of the same from The House of Mewar, Udaipur, Rajasthan, India.***



**A**  
*Glimpse*  
of the  
Celebration



Image: Media Office, The City Palace, Udaipur



## Ashwa Poojan

# The Worshipping of The Loyal Companion

Ashwa Poojan, as the House of Mewar describes, is a timeless gratitude to equiniti with an object of

preserving artistic, religious and historic interest for cultural conservation of heritage. The Poojan is organised by Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation, Udaipur at Manek Chowk, The City Palace, Udaipur. As Shri Arvind Singh Mewar of Udaipur, Chairman and Managing Trustee Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation explains, *“The City Palace was and continues to be the site for all the rituals, spectacles and celebrations. As the Chairman and Managing Trustee of Maharana of Mewar Charitable Foundation I am honour bound to continue this legacy and discharge my duties to keep alive the Living Heritage of Mewar through the Eternal Mewar Festivals. The sparkle of the bright ceremony of Ashwa Poojan...are examples of a breathing and living Palace.”*



*Shri Arvind Singh Mewar of Udaipur*

Image: Wikipedia



# Ashwa Poojan In Jaipur

'Ashwa Poojan' was integrally celebrated in the City Palace, Jaipur, Rajasthan, India. The ceremonies were performed by HH Maharaja Sawai Padmanabh Singh of Jaipur.

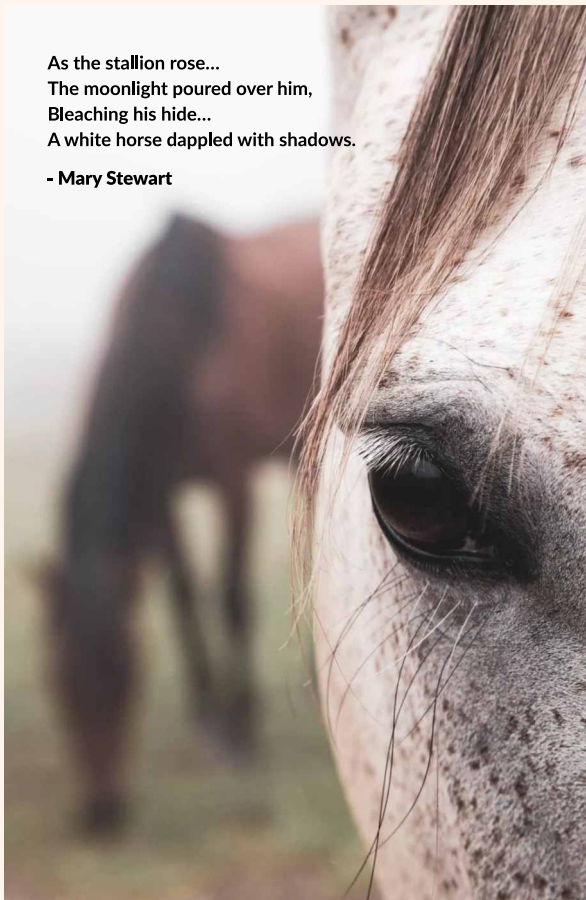




# LA EQUUS

As the stallion rose...  
The moonlight poured over him,  
Bleaching his hide...  
A white horse dappled with shadows.

- Mary Stewart



# Coming Together For Horses

Saudi Cup

Saudi Arabia



*"The industry needs the Horseracing Integrity Act," said Shawn Smeallie, executive director of the Coalition of Horse Racing Integrity. "While various tracks and organizations have announced reforms addressing horse injuries, the industry still suffers from a lack of a national system to regulate itself. Passage of the HIA solves that."*

*The HIA is a horse-first bill that would create a private, independent national horse racing anti-doping authority responsible for developing and administering a strict anti-doping and medication control program.*

*The effort to bring uniform standards to protect racehorses passed three major milestones this week. One hundred and fifty Members of Congress have signed on as co-sponsors to the Horseracing Integrity Act (HIA), which is more than one third of the House of Representatives. Besides the strong Congressional support, 135 of the industry's leading trainers support the bill. Additionally, more than 53,000 people have signed a petition from the Coalition for Horse Racing Integrity (CHRI) calling for passage of the bill.*



# Ireland At Olympics

Longines FEI Nations' Cup

Catalonia



Ireland will have a show jumping team at the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo after winning the Longines FEI Nations' Cup final in Barcelona this weekend. The Rodrigo Pessoa-managed team of Darragh Kenny (Balou du Reventon), Peter Moloney (Chianti's Champion), Cian O'Connor (PSG Final) and Paul O'Shea (Skara Glen's Machu Picchu) claimed the sole Olympic team place on offer when finishing on a score of one as Belgium, the recently crowned European champions, finished second on four faults. Belgium finished ahead of Sweden in third, Italy in fourth and France in fifth place while Germany, Switzerland and Colombia completed the eight-nation line-up.

Ireland's last show jumping team to compete at an Olympics was at Athens in 2004 and this qualification means that, for the first time, Ireland will have equestrian teams at the 2020 Olympics in eventing, dressage and show jumping.



# Shining Days At Dressage

USDFBC

Devon



*The final of Dressage at Devon 2019 was dominated by the youth. And here is a complete list of participants who named victory under their name in different genres.*

## Winners included:

**USDFBC Current Year Foal Final** - Otango ISF (Contango x Cayenne w) a 13 hand Bay Colt, bred by Mary Alice Malone (Iron Spring Farm; Coatesville) with a score of 81.975

**USDFBC Filly Final** - Gjenganger, a chestnut mare, owned by Alice Tarjan of Loxahatchee, Florida with a score of 84.563. Gjenganger had a great day taking home multiple blue ribbons.



**USDFBC Colt/Gelding Final** - Newport Jazz WRF (Everdale x Zippidy DO Dah WRF), a dark bay KWPN one year old, bred by Judy Reggio of Windy Ridge Farm (Bethel, PA), with a score of 83.288.

**USDF DSHB Mare Final** - Shurreal, owned by Rebecca Arnold (Bristol, VA) and bred by Maureen Swanson (Slatington, PA), a 5-year old, 16.3 bay Oldenburg mare with a score of 84.200.

**USDF DSHB Stallion Final** - The Duke of Clarence (Classic Dancer I/Night Star III/Domingo B., a 14.1 German Riding Pony, owned by Samantha Kidd, and handled by Bruce Griffin III, won with a score of 79.300, ahead of the horses. He was also the National Dressage Pony Cup Grand Pony Champion with a score of 77.1

**USDFBC Three YO Materiale Championship** – Gjenganger bred by Alice Tarjan (Loxahatchee, Florida) with a score of 82.300.

**USDFBC Four YO Materiale Championship** - Fellini CF, bred by Maureen Swanson (Slatington, PA) and owned by Nancy Holowesko (Trappe, PA) a 16 hand black Oldenburg with a score of 80.00.

**USDFBC 5 YO Materiale Championship** - Flying Colors, ridden by Olivia Steidle, with a score of 81.550.

## Is Horse Whispering Even Real?

There has always been raising questions and claims of whether or not horse whispering is a thing of reality. While some bracket it as magic, the other project a ray of hope in it. But whatever it may be, psychological or philosophical, people have witnessed horse whispering work and do wonders. In our quest aligned with that of yours, LA POLO got into a conversation with one of the experts from the industry—Andrew Froggatt. So, before any more exclamations start to pop, here is an insight from the expert himself. Read along the entire interview with LAPOLO.

**LA POLO:** *“If Andrew can’t fix it, nobody can.” This statement is an accomplishment in itself, and it does not come only out of work; it requires an equal amount of passion and determination. How did it all happen to you?*

**ANDREW FROGGATT:** *Re-the quote, “if Andrew cannot fix it nobody can”. This came about as when I started out, I become a last resort for people if nothing else worked with there horses. People usually try and do as much as they can themselves ,before they look to spend money but often in doing that the problem just gets worse. Then they try people ,who still cannot get the horse right and eventually they would come to me. Horses that were totally written off as nutcases or mad by other trainers...*



Andrew Froggatt

# OPULENCE



**Ralph Lauren**  
The pre-fall  
collection of  
50 shades of  
camel

# The Best Men

*One of the oldest team sports, Polo is considered to be a risky game and a sport favoring the rich society. A blue-blooded sport as it is called, Polo might involve huge risks but there is not a single soul who would not give up anything to face the challenges of the game. The sudden rush that you experience when you step up on horseback and hold the mallet, is incomparable to any feeling in this world. The first timers will surely count their cruel baby steps but if asked to step off the horse and put the mallet down, there won't be a single right-minded soul who would agree to do so. The pain and the risks will soon vanish, the sweat will feel like holy water, the early morning sessions and horse interactions will be a luxury and the mallet will be your weapon. LA POLO brings to you Polo quotes by some famous Celebrities, who at some point of their lives have been influenced by the rich tradition and the legacy of the sport supported by a few anecdotes from the lives of these celebrities.*

## **1. "A Polo handicap is a person's ticket to the world." ~ Sir Winston Churchill**

*The two-time British Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill was an army officer, writer, painter, and an avid Polo lover. He was Prime Minister of the United Kingdom from 1940 to 1945, when he led Britain to victory in the Second World War, and again from 1951 to 1955. In addition to his...*





## Perfecting The Art

*Horse-riding is not just about knowing how to ride a horse, it's more of practicing and perfecting the art of knowing, understanding and then riding the horse with its utter determination. A look at it would look like to learn horse riding by finishing the course and riding it without penalties as well as quicker than others. But horse riding needs proper preparation of your horse.*

*Now that you have decided to learn horse riding, LA POLO brings to you six things that you need to keep in mind before starting to ride your loyal companion. There is more to horse riding than what it seems. Here's an insight.*

*Coddling and cosseting along the horse's mane, thereby making him sense the purest form of divine pleasure is the best way to shower your love on him. Win his trust by caressing the sensitive areas like, groin, loin, ears,...*





## F for Frederique Constant



Frédérique  
Constant  
Geneva

Image: Baselworld

*Encompassing their motto of Accessible Luxury, Frederique Constant has shaken the establishment of Swiss luxury brands, offering high horology and luxury quality watches at accessible pricing . The finest materials and watchmaking fuses to create luxurious men's and ladies watches, including precious stones, manufacture movements and Swiss Made quality made in Geneva.*

*The company was founded in 1988 by Aletta Francoise Frédérique Stas-Bax and Peter Constant Stas. Its name is derived from the names of great-grandparents of each founder, specifically Frédérique Schreiner (1881–1969) and Constant Stas (1880–1967), the latter of which founded a company producing watch dials in 1904.*

*In 2002, to diversify the Frédérique Constant group, Stas and his wife acquired Alpina Watches, a manufacturer of Swiss sports watches founded in 1883.*

*Frederique Constant has grown into one of the larger Swiss watch manufacturers. In 2011, production reached over 120,000 watches, sold in over 2,700 points of sale in more than 100 countries. Frederique Constant positions itself in the accessible luxury segment, with most of its watches selling in the price range of CHF 1,000–5,000 retail. In 2011, the company said that it expected to continue growing at an annual rate of 25%, doubling in size every three years.*

*In May 2016, Citizen announced its intention to acquire Frederique Constant Holding SA, which includes Frederique Constant, Alpina Watches, and Ateliers de Monaco.*

## What's In The Cowboy Heels?



The cowboy heels and its rising trend

Image: Grailed

Dating back to the bygone era getting the foot stuck in the stirrups while falling down the horse in an upside down position can be a perilous affair for the horse riders and the cavalrymen. Hence in order to evade this situation a bespoke shoe was invented having a high shaft and a significant high sole or a high heel breast. The heel breast proffered the rider a subtle amount of support for sticking his feet to the stirrups of the modern day saddle. In a situation where in the horse starts galloping hither and thither, the rider can

maintain his seat and poise by sticking his body to the stirrups and the saddle. Unlike the cowboy boots a normal boot can increase the probability of suspending and dangling along the running horse in an upside down position, which can be a bizarre site but is a life threatening affair. Hence, it is always recommended by the horse clubs to carry a pair of cowboy boots or a proper style boot having a comparatively



Image: MONTANA





# 50 Shades of Camel





No one, but Ralph Lauren can think of 50 shades of camel. Yes, you read that right. Cutting the edge from anything closer to ordinary Ralph Lauren came up with 50 Shades of Camel to upright the game of his 2019 Pre-fall Collection.



“

I would rather  
own a little and  
see the world  
than own the  
world and see a  
little of it.

”



HAS THIS BEEN  
FORWARDED TO YOU?

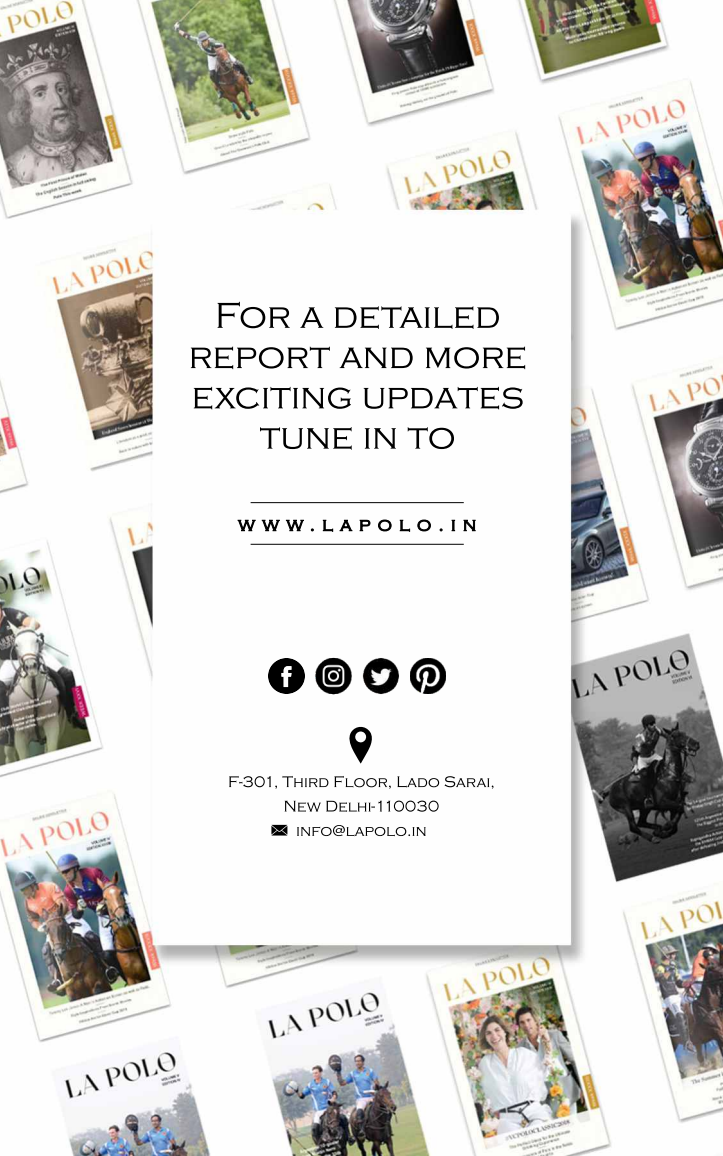
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