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## 2016 Longines World's Best Racehorse Rankings Summary

With his impressive victory in the **Breeders' Cup Classic (G1)**, **ARROGATE (USA)** [134] secured the titled of 2016 Longines World's Best Racehorse. Arrogate won the Classic by a half-length after chasing down **CALIFORNIA CHROME (USA)** [133], the world's second highest rated horse.

<b>LONGINES World's Best Racehorse Rankings</b>			
Leading Horses			
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<b>Rank</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Rating</b>	<b>Trained</b>
1	<b>ARROGATE (USA)</b>	<b>134</b>	USA
2	<b>CALIFORNIA CHROME (USA)</b>	<b>133</b>	USA
3	<b>WINX (AUS)</b>	<b>132</b>	AUS
4	<b>ALMANZOR (FR)</b>	<b>129</b>	FR
5	<b>A SHIN HIKARI (JPN)</b>	<b>127</b>	JPN
5	<b>MAURICE (JPN)</b>	<b>127</b>	JPN
7	<b>FROSTED (USA)</b>	<b>126</b>	USA
8	<b>FOUND (IRE)</b>	<b>124</b>	IRE
8	<b>HARTNELL (GB)</b>	<b>124</b>	AUS
8	<b>POSTPONED (IRE)</b>	<b>124</b>	GB
8	<b>WERTHER (NZ)</b>	<b>124</b>	HK

Arrogate, who did not make his career debut until April, won five of six starts in 2016. He came into the Classic off of his historic victory in the **Travers Stakes (G1)**, where he broke a 37-year-old track record and won by 13 ½ lengths in his first attempt at stakes company.

This is the second year in a row that an American runner has been named the Longines World's Best Race Horse. In 2015, American Pharoah, a Bob Baffert trainee like Arrogate, was also rated at 134 and topped the rankings. The only United States-based horse to be rated higher in the last two decades is Cigar, who finished 1996 at 135.

The Classic was California Chrome's only defeat on the year, as he won his seven other starts. His graded stakes victories included the **Dubai World Cup Sponsored by Emirates Airline (G1)**, **\$1 Million TVG Pacific Classic Stakes (G1)**, **Awesome Again Stakes (G1)**, **San Diego Handicap (G2)**, and **San Pasqual Stakes (G2)**.

Sitting in the third spot is **WINX (AUS) [132]**, who received her highest rating after winning her second **William Hill Cox Plate (G1)**, this time by a record eight lengths. Winx, who is both the highest rated turf horse and highest rated filly/mare in the world, won all eight of her starts in 2016 and has won 13 consecutive races dating back to May 2015.

Winx's other stakes wins on the year included the **Ladbroke's Caulfield Stakes (G1)**, **Colgate Optic White Stakes (G1)**, **The Star Doncaster Mile (G1)**, **China Horse Club George Ryder Stakes (G1)**, **Precise Air Chipping Norton Stakes (G1)**, **Warwick Stakes (G2)**, and **Optus Business Apollo Stakes (G2)**.

In fourth position is **ALMANZOR (FR) [129]**, who won his final five starts of the season. His first major victory came in the **Prix du Jockey Club (G1)** in June before he went on to capture both the **QIPCO Irish Champion Stakes (G1)** and the **QIPCO Champion Stakes (G1)**.

Sharing the fifth spot are Japanese runners **A SHIN HIKARI (JPN) [127]** and **MAURICE (JPN) [127]**, who both achieved important wins outside of their home country. A Shin Hikari took the **Prix d'Ispahan (G1)** at Chantilly by open lengths, while Maurice started and ended the year in Hong Kong, winning both the **Champions Mile (G1)** and **LONGINES Hong Kong Cup (G1)**. In between, Maurice returned to Japan to take the **Tenno Sho (Autumn) (G1)**.

**FROSTED (USA) [126]** is in seventh place after his impressive scores in the **Mohegan Sun Metropolitan Handicap (G1)**, which he won by 14 lengths, and the **Whitney Stakes (G1)**.

Rounding out the Top 10 are four horses who sit co-eighth in the rankings.

In Europe, **FOUND (IRE) [124]** earned her rating with her victory in the **Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (G1)**, which came in between finishing second to Almanzor in both the Irish Champion Stakes and Champion Stakes.

One of the horses Found defeated in the Arc was **POSTPONED (IRE) [124]**, who won his four other starts in 2016, including the **Juddmonte International Stakes (G1)**, **Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Cup (Sponsored by Investec) (G1)**, **Dubai Sheema Classic Presented by LONGINES (G1)**, and **Dubai City of Gold Sponsored by Skycargo (G2)**.

Meanwhile, in Australia **HARTNELL (GB) [124]** won three group contests including the **Yellowglen Turnbull Stakes (G1)** before finishing second to Winx in the Cox Plate, and in Hong Kong, **WERTHER (NZ) [124]** claimed the **AP QEII Cup (G1)**.

Overall, 319 horses, trained in 17 different countries, were rated 115 or higher. The full list and further information on the LONGINES World's Best Racehorse Rankings are available on the IFHA website [ifhaonline.org](http://ifhaonline.org).

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