

Corey Brown

Melbourne Cup Winning Jockey & Keynote Speaker

Corey Brown is an impressively gifted jockey and the winner of two Melbourne Cups. He won his first Melbourne Cup in 2009 on Shocking and in 2017 took out the Melbourne Cup on Rekindling. Seemingly impervious to pressure, Corey rarely makes a mistake in races, whether he is riding in Group One races at Royal Randwick or Flemington, or a midweek maiden at Warwick Farm.



A natural sports talent, Corey is equally at ease in front of the microphone as a keynote speaker, delivering inspiring messages about determination and perseverance. His presentations are peppered with his personal stories of success and from the broader racing community.

More about Corey Brown:

Corey Brown was born to ride. His grandfather Trevor and father Jack were both successful jockeys in the northern NSW region. Corey is fond of recalling the moment when he made his career choice, “Dad said there were two things he could teach me to do: change tyres or become a jockey. Needless to say, tyres didn’t appeal”. Corey has ridden 33 Group One Winners however his biggest achievements have been his two Melbourne Cup victories.

He rode his first winner at Kempsey in 1991 on a horse called Another Square and it wasn’t long afterwards, that the former champion jockey Malcolm Johnston told the teenager he should move to Sydney to further his career.

After triumphant performances in Sydney, Corey Brown was invited to race in Hong Kong in 1998, where he spent three successful years. He returned to Sydney and in 2001/02 won the Sydney jockeys premiership with 106 wins. In the same year, he won the 2001 Sydney Cup on Mr Prudent for the late George Hanlon and the following season he picked up more Group One successes with Fine Society in the Canterbury Guineas and Kusi in the Blue Diamond Stakes.

However it was on Epsom Day in 2003 that Corey made the racing world sit up and take notice. He rode four winners at the feature Randwick meeting, including a Group One hat-trick with Clangalang (Epsom Handicap), Niello (Spring Champion Stakes) and Uearthly (Flight Stakes). He went on to ride seven Group One winners in 2003/04.

Corey achieved every jockey’s goal in 2007-08 when he finished the season as the nation’s leading

Group One rider with seven majors including five in succession on Apache Cat Lightning Stakes, Australia Stakes, T.J. Smith Stakes, Doomben 10,000 and BTC Cup.

The Melbourne Cup carnival of 2009 was, without doubt, an outstanding achievement in the saddle. In the space of seven days, Corey won the Victoria Derby on Monaco Consul, Melbourne Cup with Shocking and the Emirates Stakes on All American. Corey could do no wrong as he swept a hat-trick of majors on the biggest stage in Australian racing.

In 2013, Corey was awarded and extended a Singapore riding license - a period which saw him land 14 winners from 87 rides, and grant him the third highest strike rate of 16.09% among the Singapore jockey ranks. In 2016, the family moved back to Sydney after three and half years in Singapore. Since his return, he has won four Group One races and the world famous 2017 Melbourne Cup on Rekindling.

As well as being one of the nation's most outstanding jockeys, Corey is a dedicated father to three daughters and husband.

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