The Top Racecourses The UK Has To Offer

Horse racing is one of the best-loved sports in the UK, so naturally, there are some

fantastic racecourses to visit. In total, there are sixty of them in use right now, and this covers both the flat and jumps racing. Some courses, as you will expect, are better than others, and we're going to tell you which and why below.

Cheltenham

There's only one place to start with the UK's best racecourses: Cheltenham, arguably the most famous because of the iconic Cheltenham Festival. Racing action has been taking place at Cheltenham since the early 1800s, and in the present day, crowds of nearly 70,000 attend the Cheltenham Festival, which is an experience like no other. The best horse racing odds can usually be found online. However, if you are at the racecourse, why not bet trackside, which happens to be a key attraction at Cheltenham Racecourse during the Festival.

Ascot

Depending on which type of racing someone is into, they will either suggest Cheltenham is the best course or this one, Ascot. Again, while Ascot is a fantastic venue for horse racing, like Cheltenham, it's renowned for a festival known as Royal Ascot. The five-day Festival, which takes place in the summer, is so prestigious that members of the Royal Family always attend it. What you get overall with Ascot is tradition mixed with the best of British horse racing.

Aintree

The tradition continues with the next course on this list, Aintree. One of the most famous horse races in the world is The Grand National, and it's been running since 1839, and

Aintree is the track where it takes place. There's regular racing at Aintree, but akin to Cheltenham and Ascot, the action surrounding The Grand National sets this venue apart, with crowds of around 70,000 attending. While ever the longest jumps race in Britain is happening at Aintree, it will remain one of the UK's leading courses.

Newmarket

Those who know their stuff about horse racing will probably suggest that Newmarket is the 'home of racing' because of the rich history and tradition it's steeped in. Newmarket has had a connection to the sport for over three centuries, which is quite something, and instead of there being one track at the course, there are two — the Rowley Mile and the July Course. Another reason Newmarket makes this list one of the best is because, in close proximity to the course, there are many trainer's yards, making the whole area a horse racing fan's dream.

If there's any place in the world to visit to check out some great racecourses, it's the UK. There are some excellent venues that are geared up for creating an incredible experience that includes some superb racing, rather than horse racing being the only thing on the menu. And, with more money continually invested into the sport, racecourses in the UK will only keep improving.



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