

# 5 STRIDES WITH QUIBELLE

## AN "INTERVIEW" WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SHOW JUMPER (via her rider, Spencer Smith!)

The 13-year-old Hanoverian mare (FRH Quaid x Stakkato) owned by Gotham Enterprizes, LLC, has been competitive in the FEI ranks throughout North America and in international competition with her owner Georgina Bloomberg. In September 2020, Quibelle partnered with Spencer Smith, and the pair put in a brilliant clear round in the 2021 Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup<sup>TM</sup> Final in Barcelona to help the U.S. team earn fifth place overall.

## What have your riders taught you and what have you taught them?

Georgina has had me since I was seven years old. She and Jimmy Doyle taught me a lot of what I know; Spencer just gets to reap the benefits of their work. I'd say I'm probably the one teaching him.

## Besides training and competing, what is your favorite pastime?

I love going in the field in between shows and laying out in the sun.

#### What do you love most about showing?

Jumping a big clear round and hearing the crowd cheer for me! I like big jumps. I've yet to jump a course that I thought was too big.

#### What is your precompetition routine?

I just stay relaxed and positive. I'm a very good horse, and I don't get very nervous.

#### What are your goals this year?

I'll be competing on the Longines Global Champions Tour with my New York Empire teammates and any other shows Spencer and Georgina think will be good for me. I'm planning to show the world just how good I really am! a.o.



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