



## ***Vilamoura Classic: A New Destination For Top-Level Show Jumping In Southern Europe***

After several months of extensive development, the brand-new Vilamoura Equestrian Centre is about to open a bold new chapter for European show jumping. From 2026 onwards, the prestigious seaside resort in Portugal's Algarve region will host eleven weeks of international competition across four distinct series.

A landmark partnership between GRANDPRIX Events and Arrow Global has given rise to this state-of-the-art venue, combining world-class sport with the timeless charm of a coastal destination long beloved by international travelers. The first five weeks of competition will begin on February 24, 2026, featuring CSI3\* events, followed by a CSI4\* and culminating in the first CSI5\* ever held in Vilamoura.

Spearheaded by Arrow Global, owner of the site and numerous tourism facilities in Vilamoura, the project represents a long-term vision to establish the resort as a leading destination for high-level equestrian sport. GRANDPRIX Events has committed to organizing major international show jumping competitions here, aligning with the growing global trend of extending the outdoor season into the fall and winter months.

Thanks to its mild year-round climate, modern infrastructure, and exceptional hospitality, the new venue in southern Portugal is poised to become a favorite among riders, owners, and equestrian professionals seeking the ideal blend of top sport and lifestyle.





## ***A Year-Round Destination For Sport And Excellence***

From 2026 onward, GRANDPRIX Events will stage eleven weeks of international competition in Vilamoura:

The **Classic Tour I** (Feb. 24–Mar. 15) – Three weeks of CSI3\*, CSI1\* and Young Horse classes.

The **Master Tour** (Mar. 17–22) – A CSI4\* accompanied by CSI1\* and Young Horse competitions, then CSI5\* Week (Mar. 24–29) – the pinnacle event of the spring circuit, and the first CSI5\* ever organized in Vilamoura or by GRANDPRIX Events. The show will include CSI3\*, CSI1\* and Young Horse classes, reviving Portugal's top-level show jumping scene six years after the last CSI5\* in Cascais, near Lisbon. Throughout the year, the complex will welcome riders of all levels to train and compete in facilities designed for elite performance. The site features four competition arenas with underground irrigation systems—including one grass ring—and extensive stabling and hospitality infrastructure. The autumn circuit will begin on October 20 with **Classic Tour II**, offering two weeks of CSI3\* events followed by a CSI4\*, once again complemented by CSI1\* and Young Horse competitions. The **Classic Tour III**, from November 17 to December 6, will close out the inaugural year with three final weeks of international competition under the Algarve sun.



## ***Further Information & Resources***

- To learn more about the vision behind this new equestrian destination, discover the interview with Vincent Goehrs, Founder and President of GRANDPRIX, on GRANDPRIX.info: [www.grandprix.info/fr/106934/A-Vilamoura-notre-obsession-est-de-proposer-un-nouveau-cadre-entierement-pense-pour-les-besoins-du-sport-moderne-Vincent-Goehrs/](http://www.grandprix.info/fr/106934/A-Vilamoura-notre-obsession-est-de-proposer-un-nouveau-cadre-entierement-pense-pour-les-besoins-du-sport-moderne-Vincent-Goehrs/)
- Learn more about the event on [www.grandprix-events.com/vilamoura-classic/](http://www.grandprix-events.com/vilamoura-classic/)
- Entry entries requests can be submitted [here](#).



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A specialist in the equestrian world, **GRANDPRIX** operates around three main pillars: media, broadcasting, and events.

Historically rooted in equestrian journalism with its monthly *GRANDPRIX* magazine, the group has established itself as a major international player in equestrian media.

It now brings together several leading titles:

- **GRANDPRIX.info**, the leading French-language equestrian news platform;
- **Chronofhorse.com** and the monthly **The Chronicle of the Horse**, long-standing references for the equestrian community in the United States;
- **Studforlife.com**, a go-to source for showjumping and breeding news;
- **Horseman.nl**, a key media outlet for Belgium and the Netherlands.

The group also publishes the **ASEP Stallion Guide**, a reference tool for breeders.

In broadcasting, **GRANDPRIX.tv** streams over 350 events per year, with more than 3.8 million rounds available on demand, and produces exclusive shows for its subscribers.

The group also collaborates with **ClipMyHorse.TV**, producing French content, and manages **Georgette**, a 100% digital media brand engaging the new generation of riders.

With over a decade of experience, **GRANDPRIX Events** designs and produces national and international competitions recognized for their organizational excellence and their ability

to create spectacular temporary installations in exceptional venues.

Each event combines top-level sport, hospitality, and spectator experience, establishing the group as one of Europe's leading equestrian event organizers.

In 2025, GRANDPRIX Events expands its expertise internationally with the launch of the **Vilamoura Classic**, a new highlight on the global equestrian calendar.



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