



ELIZABETH BATES

Birthplace:	Toronto, Ontario
Birthdate:	March 18, 1989
Hometown:	Toronto, Ontario
Occupation:	Professional Athlete
Stable:	Breakaway Equestrian
Coach:	Self

Although Elizabeth “Liz” Bates was a city girl and didn’t grow up in a horsey family, she had always felt the pull of the barn and was drawn to horses. She began riding at the age of six and was soon competing on the Ontario Trillium circuit. In her mid-teens, she transitioned to the ‘A’ circuit where she competed in the hunter, jumper, and equitation divisions. A few short years later, Bates got her first taste of team competition at the 2010 North American Young Riders’ Championship in Lexington, KY, where she rode Marvelous 6.

After earning her honours Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Toronto with a double major in psychology and political science, Bates moved south of the border to work with U.S. Olympic team gold and silver medalist, Leslie Howard, for a year. She then went out on her own and made headlines by winning the \$35,000 Brookstreet Grand Prix at the 2015 Ottawa International show jumping tournament riding Wildfire, a horse her older sister had found as a one-year-old at an auction.

The following year, at the age of 27, Bates moved to Europe for the summer and based with Dietmar Gugler in Germany. Impressed by the well-rounded European system of producing horses, from breeding all the way to top level sport, Bates elected to stay. She selected Belgium as her new training base due to its central location and her ability to speak French, and this ideal set-up has allowed Bates to work locally while simultaneously participating in the sport at a global level.

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Bates has approximately one dozen horses in training at her Breakaway Equestrian business including her own competition horses and a select number of sales prospects from clients and partners. She also enjoys managing a small breeding program, using quality mares she's had in the sport to produce a few foals each year. While riding and competing at the highest level is her primary focus, developing and selling sport horses is integral to supporting that goal.

Having had her first taste of team competition at the Young Riders' Championship, Bates was inspired to ride as a member of the Canadian Show Jumping Team. She met that goal in 2019 when she represented Canada in the €100,000 Nations' Cup held at CSIO4*-W Rabat, Morocco, riding Chronos 31, a horse she subsequently sold to the U.S.

Her top horses currently include Heartbeat W, King of Kannan, and Coach 11, a Hanoverian gelding that she purchased as a six-year-old after seeing him on-line competing at a national show. All three horses were produced to the grand prix level by Bates herself. When she's not in the saddle, Bates is scouting young jumper and hunter prospects that she can train and develop for the sales market. She prefers to buy horses with little experience so that she can do the training herself and thereby know the horses better when it comes to finding a suitable buyer.

As a passionate learner, Bates can often be found reading mystery novels or autobiographies and listening to educational podcasts. A former competitive gymnast, Bates now maintains her fitness through varying forms of physical activities and is almost never seen without her beloved dogs.

HORSES

Coach 11	2012 bay Hanoverian gelding by Check In 2 x Ludwig von Bayern Owner: Breakaway Equestrian BVBA
Heartbeat W	2012 bay Dutch Warmblood gelding by Baloubet du Rouet x Heartbreaker Owner: Breakaway Equestrian BVBA
Eros de l'Eldorado	2014 bay Selle Francais gelding by Canturo x Vas Y Donc Longane Owner: Breakaway Equestrian BVBA & Partners
King of Kannan	2015 bay Hanoverian gelding by Kannan x Continue Owner: Breakaway Equestrian BVBA

COMPETITION BACKGROUND

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2023

11th	€200,000 Longines World Cup Grand Prix, CSI5*-W La Coruna, ESP	Heartbeat W
10th	€26,200 1.45m Saturday, CSI5*-W Madrid, ESP	Coach 11
6th	€26,200 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Kronenberg, NED	Heartbeat W
5th	€52,900 1.50m Grand Prix, CSI3* San Giovanni in Marignano, ITA	Heartbeat W
5th	€56,300 1.50m Big Tour Grand Prix, CSI3* Gorla Minore, ITA	Heartbeat W
9th	€26,400 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Wuustwezel, BEL	Heartbeat W
10th (tie)	€10,375 1.40m Saturday, CSI2* Lummen, BEL	Heartbeat W

2022

8th	€25,500 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Kronenberg, NED	Heartbeat W
8th	€25,900 1.45m Sunday, CSI2* Bonheiden, BEL	Heartbeat W

2021

10th	€25,500 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Vejer de la Frontera, ESP	Coach 11
5th	€25,800 Grand Prix, CSI2* Bonheiden, BEL	Coach 11
9th	€26,000 Grand Prix, CSI2* Montefalco, ITA	Chronos 31

2020

13th	€30,000 Nations' Cup, CSIO3* Autumn Tour VI, ESP	Chronos 31
10th	€51,900 1.50m Grand Prix, CSI3* Valencia, ESP	Chronos 31
5th	€25,400 1.45m Friday, CSI2* Bonheiden, BEL	Extra Special
10th	€25,400 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Eschweiler, GER	Vanille de
Coquerie		
8th	€25,400 1.45m Grand Prix Qualifier, CSI2* Bonheiden, BEL	Vanille de
Coquerie		
9th	€25,120 1.45m Saturday, CSI3* Sunshine Tour IV, ESP	Chronos 31

2019

9th	€25,000 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Lier, BEL	Vanille de
Coquerie		
5th	€10,180 1.45m Grand Prix Qualifier, CSI3* Opglabbeek, BEL	Vanille de
Coquerie		
7th	€25,000 1.45m Grand Prix Qualifier, CSI2* Lier, BEL	Vanille de
Coquerie		
5th	€100,000 Nations' Cup, CSIO4*-W Rabat, MAR	Chronos 31
3rd	€21,750 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Ising Am Chiemsee, GER	Chronos 31

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9th (tie)	€10,050 1.45m Winning Round, CSI2* Ising Am Chiemsee, GER	Chronos 31
6th	\$15,000 1.40m 7-Year-Old, CSI5* Spruce Meadows Pan American, AB	Coach 11
10th	\$10,000 1.40m 7-Year-Old, CSI5* Spruce Meadows Pan American, AB	Coach 11
8th	€55,300 1.50m Grand Prix, CSI3* Busto Arsizio, ITA	Chronos 31
2018		
10th	€30,000 1.45m Grand Prix, CSI2* Oliva, Valencia, ESP	Chronos 31
9th	€24,700 1.45m Grand Prix Qualifier, CSI2* Gorla Minore, ITA	Chronos 31
4th	€92,100 1.60m Gran Premio Caixabank, CSI4* La Coruna, ESP	Chronos 31
6th	€25,000 1.45m Trofeo Prosegur, CSI4* La Coruna, ESP	Vanille de
Coquerie		
8th	€25,000 1.45m Grand Prix Qualifier, CSI4* La Coruna, ESP	Vanille de
Coquerie		
9th	€25,000 1.45m Trofeo Dachser, CSI4* La Coruna, ESP	Chronos 31
2017		
10th	€25,000 1.50m Sunday Grand Prix, CSI2* Lier, BEL	Extra Special
2015		
10th	\$34,000 NationWide Grand Prix, CSI2* Angelstone Headwaters Cup, ON	Wildfire
1st	\$35,000 Brookstreet Grand Prix, Ottawa International, ON	Wildfire
6th	\$46,000 Grand Prix, CSI2* Angelstone Erin Welcome, ON	Wildfire
10th	\$10,000 Open Welcome, CSI2* Angelstone Erin Welcome, ON	Wildfire
2010		
32nd	Individual, North American Young Riders' Championship, Lexington, KY	Marvelous 6
7th	Team, North American Young Riders' Championship, Lexington, KY	Marvelous 6