



Steam's Play of the Day

Gulfstream Park: Thursday, January 10, 2019

Race: 10

Post Time: 5:08 P.M. (Eastern)

The ultra-consistent (#9) **BLUE LUTE** has placed in 80 percent of his lifetime starts and has been razor-sharp since he was claimed by trainer Mike Maker five starts back at Churchill Downs for \$50,000. This gray son of Midnight Lute gave a good account of himself to be second behind the hard-knocking Chiseled in his last start around one-turn on dirt—not his preferred setup—and he gets back on the grass in a two-turn race in this spot. This fellow responds to jockey Tyler Gaffalione's handling and has never been off the board facing Florida-breds. I'll play (#9) **BLUE LUTE** straight—to win—at odds of 3-2 or greater (3-1 morning line) and key him on top of (#3) **SOUPER SCAT DADDY**, (#5) **FAMOUS FACT**, and (#6) **EXPECTED RULER** in the vertical exotics. —**JG**