

# ♥♥♥ Aiming for 🏆🏆🏆 !! ♥♥♥

**EQUESTRIAN** is a major televised sport in Europe, and it is said to be an especially popular sport among German women.

Equestrian is the only Olympic sport which involves animals competing together with the athletes, and is the only one which is not separated by gender.

There are 3 equestrian events, competed in individual and team formats.

Germany, which sits at the top of the equestrian world, has competed in equestrian at **23 Olympic Games**, and collected **94 medals (41 gold!)** This is the highest number among all nations, in both individual events, and equestrian as a whole. 🐾

## Dressage

Athletes and horses form a close connection and perform a variety of steps and maneuvers, similar to figure skating. Athletes choose their own music and routines.

## Jumping

Between 13 and 15 obstacles of up to 160cm in height and 200cm in length must be jumped, while competing for time.

## Eventing

A combination of dressage, jumping, and cross country events. In cross country, athletes must maneuver through a 5km course featuring hedges, moats, etc., and compete for time.

## DRESSAGE

The world equestrian rankings are currently dominated by German athletes, with 4 athletes (all women), and 7 horses in the top 10. 🏆

A **gold** medal in teams is all but guaranteed, and it wouldn't be surprising to see Germany dominate individuals, either. 😊

Among these amazing athletes is the "Queen of Dressage," Isabell Werth, who ranks 1<sup>st</sup> in the world with her horse, Bella Rose 2. Together, they've taken 6 Olympic medals, with 4 being silver. Their performance is nothing short of a dance. 🐾🐾

(Team finals – July 27<sup>th</sup>, Individual finals – July 28<sup>th</sup>)



## JUMPING

Expectations are high for world ranking number one, Daniel Deusser, who took a bronze medal in the team event at the Rio Games 🐾

With obstacles up to 160cm in height, the jumping event is thrilling!

(Team finals – August 4<sup>th</sup>, Individuals – August 7<sup>th</sup>)



## EVENTING

German Michael Jung took consecutive gold medals in the individual events at the London and Rio Games, and holds a total of 3 gold and 1 silver medal. 🐾

Cross country features incredible speeds of up to 34.2kmh. This event is fun to watch for those with no prior equestrian knowledge. There are also high hopes for Japan's performance in eventing, so don't miss it! 🐾🐾

(Dressage – July 30-31<sup>st</sup>, Cross country – August 1<sup>st</sup>, Jumping – August 2<sup>nd</sup>)



**Let's all cheer on Germany in the equestrian events!!!** 🐾