## **Kauto and Denman renew Gold Cup rivalry**

Kauto Star goes into the Cheltenham Festival looking to clinch a third Gold Cup victory – sealing his place in racing folklore – but will once again face tough opposition from 2008 winner and 2009 runner-up, Denman



KAUTO STAR

Born: France. 2000

Starts: 33 Wins: 20 Seconds: 7 Thirds: 2

**Earnings:** £2,012,654

Major races won Cheltenham Gold Cup (07, 09) Betfair Chase (06, 07, 09)

King George VI Chase (06, 07, 08, 09) Tingle Creek (05, 06)

RECORD GOLD CUP WINNERS

Golden Miller 1932 33 34 3

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Arkle 1964, 65, 66

Best Mate 2002, 03, 04
Sources: Cheltenham Festival, Racing Post

Both trained by Paul Nicholls

Born: Ireland, 2000

Starts: 20 Wins: 15 Seconds: 3 Thirds: 0 Earnings: £904,074

Major races won:

Cheltenham Gold Cup (08)
Aon Chase (08)
Hennessy Gold Cup (07, 09)
Royal and Sun Alliance Chase (07)

RECENT WINNERS Jockey

2009 Kauto Star Ruby Walsh
2008 Denman Sam Thomas

2007 Kauto Star Ruby Walsh

2006 War of Attrition Conor O'Dwyer
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