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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No._2___)*

Sotheby's Holdings, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock - Class A

(Title of Class of Securities)

835898107

(CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement []. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7).

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1	NAMES OF REPO		PERSONS. ION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES (DNLY).		
	ARIEL CAPITAL # 36-3219058	MANA	GEMENT, INC.			
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) (a) [_]					
	Not Applica	ble 		(b) [_]		
3	SEC USE ONLY					
	CITIZENSHIP C	R PLA	CE OF ORGANIZATION			
4	Illinois Corp	orati	on			
	NUMBER OF	5	SOLE VOTING POWER			
			Ariel - 8,616,050			
	SHARES BENEFICIALLY	6	SHARED VOTING POWER			
	OWNED BY		Ariel - 0			
	EACH	7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER			
	REPORTING		Ariel - 9,505,000			
	PERSON WITH 8		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER			
		8	Ariel - 0			
	AGGREGATE AMO	UNT B	ENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING F	PERSON		
9			Ariel - 9,507,750			
10	CHECK BOX IF	THE A	GGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES (CERTAIN SHARES*		
	Not Applicable					
11	PERCENT OF CL	ASS R	EPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)			
			Ariel - 9,507,750/ 44,930,877 = 23	1.161%		
12	TYPE OF REPOR	TING	PERSON *(SEE INSTRUCTIONS)			
12			Ariel - IA			

*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILING OUT!

* This report is being made on behalf of John W. Rogers, Jr., Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Ariel Capital Management, Inc., who may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of the securities of the issuer. Mr. Rogers disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by Ariel Capital Management, Inc.

Date: 09/30/02 -----Page 3 of 5 Item 1(a) Name of Issuer Sotheby's Holdings, Inc. Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices 38500 Woodward Avenue, Suite 100; Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304 Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing Ariel Capital Management, Inc. _____ Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office: 200 E. Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60601 Item 2(c) Citizenship: an Illinois corporation _____ Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock - Class A Item 2(e) CUSIP Number 835898107 _____ Item 3. This statement is filed pursuant to 13d-1(b) or 13d-2(b) and the person filing is an investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. Item 4. Ownership. (a) Amount beneficially owned: (See Page 2, No. 9) _____

Date: 09/30/02 Page 4 of 5 (b) Percent of class: (See Page 2, No. 11) _____ (c) Number of shares as to which the person has: Sole power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 5) (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote (See Page 2, No. 6) _____ (ii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 7) (iii) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (See Page 2, No. 8) Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class. If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following: [_] Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person. All securities reported upon this Schedule are owned by investment advisory clients of Ariel Capital Management, Inc., no one of which to the knowledge of Ariel Capital Management, Inc. owns more than 5% of the class. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company. Not Applicable Identification and Classification of Members of the Group. Not Applicable Notice of Dissolution of a Group Not Applicable _____

Item 5.

Item 6.

Item 7.

Item 8.

Item 9.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

Date: 09/30/02

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SIGNATURE

The undersigned hereby agree that this statement is being filed on behalf of each of them and hereby certify, after reasonable inquiry and to the best of their knowledge and belief, that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

ARIEL CAPITAL MANGEMENT, INC.

By: /s/ John W. Rogers, Jr.

John W. Rogers, Jr.

Chief Investment Officer, Chief Executive Officer, And Chairman