



## 2019 Masters Tournament

(The 25th of 46 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Augusta, Georgia  
Augusta National Golf Club

April 11-14, 2019  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,475

FedExCup points: 600 (winner)  
Purse: \$TBD

### Second-Round Notes – Friday, April 12, 2019

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy, with scattered showers and a high of 84. Wind SSE at 5-10 mph. Play was suspended at 5:05 p.m. due to dangerous weather and resumed at 5:34 p.m., a delay of 29 minutes.

### Second-Round Leaderboard

Francesco Molinari	70-67—137 (-7)
Jason Day	70-67—137 (-7)
Brooks Koepka	66-71—137 (-7)
Adam Scott	69-68—137 (-7)
Louis Oosthuizen	71-66—137 (-7)

### Things to Know

- Five players tied for the 36-hole lead is a tournament record
- Adam Scott was the only player to reach 8-under in the second round
- Francesco Molinari records his lowest 18-hole score in 26 rounds at Augusta National while attempting to become first reigning The Open champion to win Masters since 2001
- Jason Day attempting to become second Australian to win the Masters
- Brooks Koepka's in search of his fourth major championship title in the last eight played
- Louis Oosthuizen looking for first win in America
- Five players tied for the 36-hole lead are all major championship winners

**Cut:** 61 professionals and four amateurs at 3-over 147 from a field of 81 professionals and six amateurs

**Cut Rules:** After 36 holes, the low 50 and ties and those within 10 strokes of the lead play the final two rounds

### Second-Round Lead Notes

- The second-round leader/co-leader has gone on to win the Masters Tournament 32 times in the previous 82 events. Four of the last five winners have held at least a share of the 36-hole lead: Patrick Reed (2018), Sergio Garcia (2017), Jordan Spieth (2015), Bubba Watson (2014). Danny Willett (2016) sat T8 through 36 holes
- Last Masters champion not inside the top 10 on the leaderboard after 36 holes: Charl Schwartzel (T12/2011). Prior to that: Jack Nicklaus (T17/1986)
- Through 23 stroke play events on the PGA TOUR this season, 12 second-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win, most recently Paul Casey/Valspar Championship
- Five players tied for the 36-hole lead is a tournament record (4/1973, 2017)
- Last time five or more players tied for lead after any round on TOUR (6/2018 THE PLAYERS Championship)

### Player Notes

#### Francesco Molinari (T1/-7)

- Hit 12/14 fairways, 12/18 greens with 25 putts for bogey-free 67, his best 18-hole score in 26 rounds at Augusta National
- Beginning the week, first-round 69 in 2012 marked his only sub-70 score in 24 previous rounds at Augusta National
- T19 in 2012 marks best result in seven appearances at the Masters
- Second 36-hole lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR (2017 Wells Fargo Championship/T24)
- Winner of The Open Championship at Carnoustie in 2018. Last reigning The Open Championship winner to win the Masters: Tiger Woods/2001. Other reigning Open champions to win the Masters: Tom Watson/1981, Seve Ballesteros/1980, Arnold Palmer/1962
- Victory at Augusta National this week would mark his fourth win in 15 PGA TOUR starts

- Shot a final-round 64 to win the 2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational by Mastercard, his third victory in a span of 12 PGA TOUR starts (2018 Quicken Loans National, 2018 The Open Championship, 2019 Arnold Palmer Invitational)

#### **Jason Day (T1/-7)**

- 137 (-7) is one stroke shy of his best opening 36-hole total at Augusta National (72-64—136), shot on debut in 2011
- 13<sup>th</sup> second-round lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR, including 2013 Masters where he finished third. Converted three of previous 12 into victory (2016 THE PLAYERS, 2016 Arnold Palmer Invitational, 2015 BMW Championship)
- Suffered a back injury before Thursday's opening round and required treatment on the second hole to relieve the pain
- His 12 PGA TOUR titles include 2015 PGA Championship and 2016 THE PLAYERS
- Aside from WD after first-round 76 in 2012, never finished worse than T28 in eight Masters appearances
- Has three top-10s at Augusta National (T2/2011, 3<sup>rd</sup>/2013, T10/2016) among 14 top-10s in 33 major championship starts

#### **Brooks Koepka (T1/-7)**

- First-round co-leader started birdie, double bogey, birdie before posting a final-hole birdie to retain a share of the lead
- Fifth 36-hole lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR, winning one of four previous (2017 U.S. Open)
- Has won three of the last seven majors (2017 U.S. Open, 2018 U.S. Open, 2018 PGA Championship)
- Last reigning U.S. Open winner to win the Masters was Tiger Woods in 2001
- Last reigning PGA Championship winner to win the Masters was Phil Mickelson in 2006
- After missed cuts in his first two major championships (2012 U.S. Open, 2013 The Open), has not missed a cut in 18 such starts since
- Has a win (THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES) and a runner-up (T2/The Honda Classic) in eight starts during the 2018-19 season
- Does not have a top-10 in three starts at the Masters (best result: T11/2017) and missed the event in 2018 due to a wrist injury

#### **Adam Scott (T1/-7)**

- Posts best 36-hole opening score in 18 starts at Augusta National: previous best was 3-under 141 (2013, 2014, 2015)
- 16<sup>th</sup> 36-hole lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR, but first in a major championship. Converted six of previous 15 (not including 2005 Genesis Open which he won in 36 weather-shortened holes)
- One of two players with two rounds in the 60s (Justin Harding). Since the Masters began in 1934, no player has shot four rounds in the 60s in one tournament
- 2013 Masters winner seeks second major championship title in his 72<sup>nd</sup> major championship appearance
- Finished third in last major championship start (2018 PGA Championship), one of 17 top-10 results in majors
- Runner-up at Farmers Insurance Open is one of three top-10s this season (T10/THE CJ CUP @ NINE BRIDGES, T7/Genesis Open)

#### **Louis Oosthuizen (T1/-7)**

- Posted career-best 18-hole score at Augusta National: previous best, 68/R1/2012 when he finished runner-up, his lone top-10 result in 10 appearances
- Third 36-hole lead/co-lead on PGA TOUR (2010 The Open Championship/Won, 2017 THE PLAYERS Championship/T2)
- Last year (71-71) marked his first time with two under-par rounds in the opening 36 holes at Augusta National
- 2010 Open Championship win is lone PGA TOUR victory
- Recorded three top-five finishes in eight starts this season, including his last two starts (T5/CIMB Classic, T2/Valspar Championship, T5/WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play)

#### **Justin Harding (T6/-6)**

- South African is one of 17 first-time participants at the Masters
- Players who won the Masters in their first appearance: Horton Smith (1934), Gene Sarazen (1935), Fuzzy Zoeller (1979)
- Masters champions from South Africa: Gary Player (1961, 1974, 1978), Trevor Immelman (2008), Charl Schwartzel (2011)
- Missed the cut at last week's Valero Texas Open, his sixth PGA TOUR start. Six of the last 13 Masters champions played the week before their win, most recently Jordan Spieth in 2015
- Sits No. 7 in Presidents Cup International Team standings

#### **Tiger Woods (T6/-6)**

- 138 (-6) marks his best opening 36-hole total since 2011 (71-66—137) when he finished T4
- Streak of 20 consecutive cuts made (1997-2019) is fourth-best: Fred Couples (23), Gary Player (23) and Tom Watson (21)
- Owns 13 top-10 finishes, including four victories, at Augusta National in 21 previous starts (most recent: T4/2013)
- Seeking fifth Masters title and 15<sup>th</sup> major championship victory while chasing Jack Nicklaus' record in both (Masters/6, Majors/18)

- At No. 12 in the Official World Golf Ranking, the highest-ranked former champion in the field

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Dustin Johnson's 138 (-6) is one stroke shy of his best opening 36-hole total at Augusta National (70-67—137), when he finished T6/2015
- Xander Schauffele (T6/-6) notched eight birdies after a bogey at No. 1 to shoot 65, the low round of the tournament
- Ian Poulter (T10/-5) is making his 14<sup>th</sup> appearance at Masters and 60<sup>th</sup> major championship start with a runner-up at The Open in 2008 his best result
- Jon Rahm (T10/-5) is attempting to become the fourth Spanish player to win the Masters, following Seve Ballesteros (1980, 1983), Jose Maria Olazabal (1994, 1999) and Sergio Garcia (2017)
- In 100 rounds at Augusta National, Phil Mickelson (T12/-4) has just three rounds better than 67 (65/R1/1996, 66/R1/1995, 66/R3/2012)
- FedExCup leader Matt Kuchar sits T12 at 4-under while seeking his third win this season
- Despite playing the par-5 holes 3-under in the second round, first-round co-leader Bryson DeChambeau sits T16 at 3-under
- U.S. Amateur champion Viktor Hovland (T29/-1) leads the four amateurs to make the cut, including Alvaro Ortiz (T36/E), winner of the 2019 Latin America Amateur and brother of PGA TOUR professional Carlos Ortiz
- Two-time Masters winner Bernhard Langer (71-72) now has four consecutive rounds of par-or-better at Augusta National. The 61-year-old closed the 2018 Masters with weekend rounds of 71-72. He's also hit 25/28 fairways, the most of anyone in the field
- While looking to join Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Gary Player, Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods as winners of the career Grand Slam, Rory McIlroy sits T36 at even-par
- England's Matthew Fitzpatrick (T46/+1) improved 11 strokes with scores of 78-67. Fitzpatrick finished T7 in 2016
- 20 past champions competing this week: Angel Cabrera (MC), Fred Couples (MC), Sergio Garcia (MC), Trevor Immelman (T50/+2), Zach Johnson (T57/+3), Bernhard Langer (T29/-1), Sandy Lyle (MC), Phil Mickelson (T12/-4), Larry Mize (MC), Jose Maria Olazabal (MC), Patrick Reed (T29/-1), Charl Schwartzel (MC), Adam Scott (T1/-7), Vijay Singh (MC), Jordan Spieth (T29/-1), Bubba Watson (T36/E), Mike Weir (MC), Danny Willett (MC), Tiger Woods (T6/-6), Ian Woosnam (MC)

#### Scoring Averages:

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
R1	36.379	36.494	72.874	--
R2	36.149	35.828	71.977	72.425

The par-4 fifth was the hardest in round two with an average of 4.345. The easiest hole was the par-5 15<sup>th</sup> hole, which played to an average of 4.448

#### Bogey-free rounds:

R1(1) – Brooks Koepka (66)

R2 (2) – Francesco Molinari (67), Jon Rahm (70)