



## 2019 Genesis Open

(15<sup>th</sup> of 46 events in the 2018-19 PGA TOUR Season)

Pacific Palisades, CA  
Riviera Country Club

February 14-17, 2019

Purse: \$7,400,000 (\$1,332,000)  
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,322

### COMPLETED First-Round Notes – Friday, February 15, 2019

*Weather: Mostly cloudy and rainy. High of 61. Wind SW 6-16 mph.*

#### First-Round Leaderboard

J.B. Holmes	63 (-8)
Jordan Spieth	64 (-7)
Six players	66 (-5)

#### Things to Know

- J.B. Holmes' opening 63 ties the lowest first-round score in tournament history
- Holmes holds the 18-hole lead/co-lead for the sixth time in his career and is 0-for-5 to date converting to victory
- Holmes aced the par-3 sixth, the second hole-in-one of his career
- Jordan Spieth has opened with a 66-or-better in each of his last three starts
- Tournament host Tiger Woods stands T52 after the first round

#### Weather Summary

- Round one began as scheduled at 6:40 a.m. PT Thursday and was suspended at 7:30 a.m. due to weather
- Round one restarted with a reset of scores at 1:40 p.m. Thursday and was suspended due to darkness at 5:34 p.m.
- There were 10 groups on the course at the time of the reset and it was the first time a PGA TOUR event restarted a round since the 2013 Dell Technologies Championship (R3)
- Round one resumed at 7 a.m. Friday and was completed at 2:54 p.m.
- Preferred lies were used in the first round but will not be in the second round

#### First-Round Lead Notes

- 2 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Genesis Open since 2000 (Phil Mickelson/2009, Aaron Baddeley/2011)
- 4 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win in 2018-19 (most recent: Rickie Fowler/Waste Management Phoenix Open)
- 66 First-round score of 18-hole co-leaders Patrick Cantlay and Tony Finau in 2018

#### J.B. Holmes (1<sup>st</sup>/-8)

Age: 36 (April 26, 1982)

#### Entering the week

#61	FedExCup
#100	OWGR
12	Starts at Genesis Open
4	Top-10s at Genesis Open
300	PGA TOUR starts
4	PGA TOUR wins
7	Starts in 2018-19
1	Top-10 in 2018-19

**Wins (4):** 2006 Waste Management Phoenix Open, 2008 Waste Management Phoenix Open, 2014 Wells Fargo Championship, 2015 Houston Open

**Top-10s in 2018-19:** 9<sup>th</sup>/Safeway Open

- Opening 63 ties the lowest first-round score in tournament history (eighth instance; most recent: Camilo Villegas/2016)
- Holds the 18-hole lead/co-lead for the sixth time; did not convert any of the previous five to victory (including 2011 Genesis Open where he finished T12)
- Aced the par-3 sixth (his 15<sup>th</sup> hole of the day) using an 8-iron from 147 yards
- Most recent hole-in-one, score of 63 or better and 18-hole lead/co-lead all came at the 2015 World Golf Championships-Mexico Championship
- Leads the field in Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green (5.256)

#### **Jordan Spieth (2<sup>nd</sup>/-7)**

- In search of first PGA TOUR victory since The 2017 Open Championship and first top-10 since The 2018 Open Championship
- Making seventh appearance at Genesis Open with top-10s in 2015 (T4) and 2018 (T9)
- Best finish in five starts during the 2018-19 season is T35 at Farmers Insurance Open
- As a freshman at Texas, defeated Justin Thomas (Alabama) 3-and-2 in the finals of the 2012 NCAA Championship played at Riviera to help the Longhorns win the title

#### **Tiger Woods (T52/-1)**

- First round included a streak of four consecutive birdies (Nos. 8-11)
- Tournament host making 13<sup>th</sup> start at the event and has not won; Genesis Open is the only event on the PGA TOUR at which Woods has made double-digit starts and not earned a victory
- Making second start of the 2018-19 season (T20/Farmers Insurance Open)
- Won 80<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR title at the 2018 TOUR Championship to move within two of Sam Snead's all-time wins record

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Tony Finau, who finished T2 in 2018 after holding the 18-hole co-lead with Patrick Cantlay, sits T3 after an opening 66
- Justin Thomas stands T3 and has top-fives in three of his five previous starts of the 2018-19 season (T5/CIMB Classic, 3<sup>rd</sup>/Sentry Tournament of Champions, 3<sup>rd</sup>/Waste Management Phoenix Open)
- Phil Mickelson, winner of last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, enters the second round tied for 100<sup>th</sup> and has not missed a cut at the Genesis Open since 2001 (a streak of nine starts that includes wins in 2008 and 2009)

#### **Bogey-free rounds**

**R1 (10):** Jordan Spieth (64), Tony Finau (66), Patrick Rodgers (66), Adam Scott (66), Jim Furyk (67), Jimmy Walker (67), Si Woo Kim (68), J.J. Spaun (68), Brian Harman (69), Brian Stuard (69)

#### **First-round scoring averages**

	<b>Front nine</b>	<b>Back nine</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	34.160	36.347	70.507	