



2022 Mexico Open at Vidanta
(The 28th of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)

Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico **April 28-May 1, 2022** **FedExCup points: 500 (winner)**
Vidanta Vallarta Resort (Norman Signature Course) **Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,456** **Purse: \$7,300,000/\$1,314,000**

Second-Round Notes – Friday, April 29, 2022

Weather: Sunny. High of 84. Wind SW 8-16 mph, increasing in the afternoon with gusts to 32 mph.

36-hole cut: 74 players at 2-under 140 from a field of 141 professionals and three amateurs

Second-Round Leaderboard

Jon Rahm	64-66—130 (-12)
Alex Smalley	66-66—132 (-10)
Adam Long	67-66—133 (-9)
Andrew Novak	66-67—133 (-9)
Cameron Champ	67-66—133 (-9)
Patrick Reed	67-66—133 (-9)
Trey Mullinax	64-69—133 (-9)
Brandon Hagy	66-67—133 (-9)

Things to Know

- World No. 2 Jon Rahm, highest-ranked player in the field, leads by two-strokes at midway point
- Rahm holds the 36-hole lead/co-lead for the seventh time in his career and is 0-for-6 to date converting to victory
- Eight players within four shots of the lead through two rounds seek their first career TOUR victory
- Four of the five Major champions in the field advance to the weekend
- Alvaro Ortiz (T25) is best of the 10 Mexican players in the field this week and one of the three to make the cut

Second-Round Lead Notes

7 Second-round leaders/co-leaders have won individual strokeplay events on TOUR in 2021-22 (most recent: Scottie Scheffler/Masters Tournament)

Jon Rahm (1st/-12)

Category	Entering the week
Age	27 (November 10, 1994)
FedExCup	23
OWGR	2
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	122-6-59
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2021-22	10-0-4

- Seventh career 36-hole lead/co-lead in a PGA TOUR individual stroke-play event; 0-for-6 to date converting to victory
- Best finish among the six previous 36-hole lead/co-leads: 3rd/2021 FedEx St. Jude Championship
- Also held the lead with teammate Ryan Palmer on the way to victory in the 2019 Zurich Classic of New Orleans
- Most recent 36-hole lead/co-lead: 2022 Farmers Insurance Open (T3)
- Making his 11th start of the season and first since the Masters Tournament (T27)
- Owns four top-10s this season (most recent: T9/World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play)
- Six-time PGA TOUR winner: 2017 Farmers Insurance Open, 2018 The American Express, 2019 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with Ryan Palmer), 2020 the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday, 2020 BMW Championship, 2021 U.S. Open

Miscellaneous notes

- PGA TOUR rookie **Alex Smalley** (2nd/-10) records back-to-back rounds of 66; seeks first TOUR title in 25th career start and with a victory would become 10th first-time winner this season (best: T2/2022 Corales Puntacana Championship)

- Entering the week, **Adam Long** (T3/-9) had the lowest scoring average of any player in Mexico since the inception of the World Wide Technology Championship at Mayakoba in 2007 (67.00)
- 133 total represents **Andrew Novak's** (T3/-9) career-best opening 36-hole score on TOUR; shot 135 through the opening two rounds of the 2019 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier (T36)
- **Cameron Champ** (T3/-9) leads the field in driving distance (326.1) through 36 holes; ranks first on TOUR this season (321.1)
- Six first-round co-leaders through 36 holes: **Jon Rahm** (1st/-12), **Trey Mullinax** (T3/-9), **Jonathan Byrd** (T9/-8), **Kurt Kitayama** (T9/-8), **Bryson Nimmer** (T37/-4), **Brendon Todd** (T37/-4)
- Major champions in the field: **Jon Rahm** (1st/-12), **Patrick Reed** (T3/-9), **Gary Woodland** (T47/-3), **Graeme McDowell** (T58/-2), **Jason Dufner** (MC/+3)
- Players from Mexico: **Alvaro Ortiz** (T25/-5), **Carlos Ortiz** (T47/-3), **Abraham Ancer** (T58/-2), **Roberto Diaz** (MC/+2), **Armando Favela** (MC/+2), **Jose Antonio Safa** (MC/+7), **Jose Cristobal Islas** (MC/+8), **Isidro Benitez** (MC/+12), **Santiago De la Fuente** (MC/+13), **Manuel Inman** (MC/+18)
- **Vaughn Taylor** withdrew Friday morning before the start of the second round due to a shoulder injury