



## 2021 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP

(5<sup>th</sup> of 47 events in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season)

Chiba, Japan  
Accordia Golf Narashino CC

October 21-24, 2021  
Par/Yards: 34-36—72/7,041

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)  
Purse: \$9,950,000/\$1,791,000

### Final-Round Notes – Sunday, October 24, 2021

Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 63. Wind NNE 5-10 mph.

### Final-Round Leaderboard

Hideki Matsuyama	64-68-68-65 – 265 (-15)
Cameron Tringale	67-66-68-69 – 270 (-10)
Brendan Steele	66-68-70-66 – 270 (-10)
Mackenzie Hughes	70-68-69-67 – 274 (-6)
Sebastian Munoz	70-66-68-70 – 274 (-6)
Matt Wallace	65-69-70-70 – 274 (-6)

### Things to Know

- Highlighted by eagles on hole Nos. 6 and 18, reigning Masters Tournament champion Hideki Matsuyama wins the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP by five strokes in his home country of Japan; Seventh PGA TOUR title and second in Asia (first: 2016 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions)
- Becomes the fourth Masters champion to win in his home country in the same year since 2011
- Moves to within one shot of K.J. Choi's total career wins of eight PGA TOUR titles, which is the most wins by an Asian player
- In search of his first PGA TOUR win, Cameron Tringale posts back-to-back bogeys on 17 and 18 to close out the tournament T2 at 10-under 270 in his first appearance at the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP
- Brendan Steele posts a final round of 4-under 66 highlighted by six birdies against two bogeys to record his best finish to date in the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season
- The ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP was launched as Japan's first official PGA TOUR tournament in 2019. Tiger Woods won the inaugural edition, followed by Patrick Cantlay in 2020

### Hideki Matsuyama (1<sup>st</sup>/-15)

Category	With the Victory
Age	29 (2/25/1992)
FedExCup	3
OWGR	12 (projected)
Starts at ZOZO	3
Wins at ZOZO	1
Top-10s at ZOZO	2
Career PGA TOUR starts	201
Career PGA TOUR wins	7
Career PGA TOUR top-10s	51
PGA TOUR starts in 2021-22	4
PGA TOUR wins in 2021-22	1
PGA TOUR top-10s in 2021-22	2

- Highlighted by eagles on Nos. 6 and 18, wins ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP by five strokes in his home country of Japan
- Seventh PGA TOUR title, first in Japan and second in Asia (2016 World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions/China)
- Captured the win in his 201<sup>st</sup> start at the age of 29 years, 7 months and 29 days
- Five-shot victory is the largest margin of victory (3 strokes/2019 ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP/Tiger Woods). Final round 65 also matched the low final round score of 65 by a winner (2020/Patrick Cantlay)

- Hit 81.9% of Greens in Regulation ranking 1<sup>st</sup> in the category among the field
- Second player from Asia to win on the PGA TOUR this month (first: Sungjae Im, Shriners Children's Open); last time two players from Asia won on TOUR in the same month: May, 2002 (K.J. Choi/South Korea/Zurich Classic of New Orleans, Shigeki Maruyama/Japan/AT&T Byron Nelson)
- Becomes the fourth Masters champion to win in his home country in the same year since 2011 (Charl Schwartzel/2011 Joburg Open, Adam Scott/2013 Australian PGA Championship, Sergio Garcia/2017 Andalucia Valderrama Masters)
- All five winners on TOUR this season have entered the week inside the top 50 in the Official World Golf Ranking, the longest streak to begin a season since 2005 (first 10 weeks)
- All three winners of the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP entered the week inside the top 20 in the OWGR (Tiger Woods/10<sup>th</sup>/2019, Patrick Cantlay/14<sup>th</sup>/2020, Hideki Matsuyama/18<sup>th</sup>/2021)
- Won the Masters Tournament in April where he became the first Japanese male golfer to win a major
- Has won eight times on the Japan Golf Tour, with his last win being the 2016 Mitsui Sumitomo Visa Taiheiyo Masters

### Cameron Tringale (T2/-10)

- After going bogey-free in the first 16 holes of the final round, Tringale posts back-to-back bogeys on 17 and 18 to close out the tournament 10-under 270 in his first appearance at the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP
- Was seeking his first TOUR win; now holds four career runner-up finishes (T2/2014 FedEx St. Jude Championship, 2<sup>nd</sup>/2015 Zurich Classic of New Orleans, 2015 Shriners Children's Open)
- Has made four starts in 2021-22 PGA TOUR Season; best finish (T11/Sanderson Farms Championship)
- Entered the week ranked 26<sup>th</sup> on the FedExCup points list
- Won the 2015 Franklin Templeton Shootout alongside Jason Day

### Brendan Steele (T2/-10)

- Posted a final round of 4-under 66 highlighted by six birdies against two bogeys to record his best finish to date in the 2021-22 Season
- Enjoyed a career third runner-up finish (2015 The American Express/T2, 2020 Sony Open in Hawaii/2<sup>nd</sup>). Was chasing a fourth TOUR victory
- Made 18 birdies through four rounds to rank T2 in the category
- Was making his second appearance in the event after finishing T70 when the tournament was moved to Sherwood Country Club in California
- Best finish in an individual tournament since a T3 in the 2021 The Honda Classic in March. Finished T4 in the 2021 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (with Keegan Bradley)

### Additional Player Notes

- A closing 3-under 67 saw **Mackenzie Hughes** finishing T4, which was his best result in three starts in the 2021-22 Season. It was also his first top-10 since finishing T6 in the 2021 The Open Championship in July
- Making his debut in the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP, **Matt Wallace** cards a 70 for T4 and record a sixth career top-10 on TOUR. His last top-10 was T6/2021 Wells Fargo Championship in May
- **Sebastian Munoz** makes two double bogeys en route to a 70 to share fourth place. It is his first top-10 of the season, and improved on his his T14 finish at Sherwood last year.
- Former World Amateur No. 1, **Takumi Kanaya**, enjoys his career first top-10 finish on the PGA TOUR in his 10<sup>th</sup> career start. He posted a final round 66 to finish T7 to join winner Hideki Matsuyama as the only two Japanese players inside the top-10
- A week after finishing runner-up at THE CJ CUP @ Summit in Vegas, World No. 3 **Collin Morikawa** records a T7 finish with a closing 69
- Olympic Games gold medalist, **Xander Schauffele** settles for a share of 28<sup>th</sup> place after a shooting a second successive 68 to finish 15 shots behind the winner
- Sweden's **Henrik Norlander** posts the day's low of 64 to match his career best 18-hole score (2021 Sanderson Farms Championship/R4) to finish T18. He closed his round with four consecutive birdies from the 14<sup>th</sup> hole and made an eagle on the par-5 18<sup>th</sup> hole

### Course Statistics

	<b>Toughest Hole</b>	<b>Easiest Hole</b>
<b>R1:</b>	Par-4 4 <sup>th</sup> (4.385)	Par-5 6 <sup>th</sup> (4.577)
<b>R2:</b>	Par-4 12 <sup>th</sup> (4.487)	Par-5 18 <sup>th</sup> (4.410)

**R3:** Par-3 5<sup>th</sup> (3.588) Par-5 18<sup>th</sup> (4.588)  
**R4:** Par-4 12<sup>th</sup> (4.260) Par-5 6<sup>th</sup> (4.571) / Par-5 18<sup>th</sup> (4.571)

**Scoring Averages**

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
<b>R1:</b>	33.999	36.322	70.321	---
<b>R2:</b>	34.027	36.718	70.745	70.529
<b>R3:</b>	34.701	36.390	71.091	70.715
<b>R4:</b>	33.753	36.026	69.779	70.483

**Bogey-free rounds**

**R1** (3): Joaquin Niemann (64), Hideki Matsuyama (64), James Hahn (68)

**R2** (1): Branden Grace (66)

**R3** (1): Tom Hoge (66)

**R4** (4): Lanto Griffin (66), Takumi Kanaya (66), K.H. Lee (67), Troy Merritt (68)