



2023 Masters Tournament (25th of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Augusta, Georgia Augusta National Golf Club

April 6-9, 2023 Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,545 FedExCup points: 600 (winner) Purse: TBA

First-Round Notes – Thursday, April 6, 2023

Weather: Mostly cloudy. High of 85. Wind SSW 5-10 mph. Friday tee times have been moved up 30 minutes due to potential inclement weather and the first second-round starting time is now 7:30 a.m. ET.

First-Round Leaderboard

Viktor Hovland	65 (-7)
Jon Rahm	65 (-7)
Brooks Koepka	65 (-7)
Cameron Young	67 (-5)
Jason Day	67 (-5)

Things to Know

- World No. 9 Viktor Hovland, FedExCup leader Jon Rahm and four-time major champion Brooks Koepka share the 18-hole lead at the Masters Tournament
- Defending champion and World No. 1 Scottie Scheffler cards a 4-under 68 (T6), his seventh consecutive under-par score at the Masters (longest active streak)
- 82-time PGA TOUR winner and five-time Masters champion Tiger Woods cards a 2-over 74, his fourth consecutive over-par score at the Masters; Woods, T54, has made 22 consecutive cuts at the Masters (last MC: 1996)
- Reigning U.S. Amateur champion Sam Bennett cards a bogey-free 4-under 68, the lowest score by an amateur in a major championship since Viktor Hovland in the final round of the 2019 U.S. Open (67)

First-Round Lead Notes

- 17 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win the Masters Tournament (most recent: Dustin Johnson, 2020)
- 3 First-round leaders/co-leaders to win on TOUR in 2022-23 (most recent: Corey Conners/Valero Texas Open)

Category	Viktor Hovland	Jon Rahm	Brooks Koepka
Age	25 (9/18/1997)	28 (11/10/1994)	32 (May 3, 1990)
FedExCup	No. 31	No. 1	N/A
OWGR	No. 9	No. 3	No. 118
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	85-3-20	140-10-69	174-8-51
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	10-0-4	9-3-6	0-0-0
Starts – wins – top-10s at the Masters	3-0-0	6-0-4	7-0-2

Comparing the co-leaders (entering the week)

Viktor Hovland (T1/-7)

- 65 marks his lowest score in a major championship (previous: 66, four times; most recent: R3, 2022 Open Championship)
- First career 18-hole lead/co-lead in an individual stroke-play event on TOUR (held the 18-hole co-lead with partner Kris Ventura at the 2021 Zurich Classic of New Orleans and the team went on to finish T25)
- Previous-best 18-hole position in an individual stroke-play event on TOUR: T2, 2020 Travelers Championship (finished T11) and 2021 PGA Championship (T30)
- First score in the 60s in 13 career rounds at Augusta National (best Masters finish in three prior starts: T21, 2021)
- Held a share of the 54-hole lead at the 2022 Open Championship and went on to finish T4, his only career top-10 in a major
- Four top-10s in 10 prior starts this season, highlighted by a T3 at THE PLAYERS Championship
- Three-time PGA TOUR winner (2020 Puerto Rico Open, 2020 World Wide Technology Championship, 2021 World Wide Technology Championship)

Jon Rahm (T1/-7)

• Made a double bogey at No. 1 and played Nos. 2-18 in 9-under for a 7-under 65

- Lowest score in a major among players that made a double bogey or worse at the opening hole since the TOUR began tracking starting-hole information in 2003
- First player to make double bogey or worse on the opening hole in the first round and go on to hold the 18-hole lead/colead since Matt Jones at the 2010 Valero Texas Open
- 12th career 18-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR (3-for-11 to date), the most of any player since Rahm's PGA TOUR debut at the 2014 World Wide Technology Championship (11, Dustin Johnson)
- Third 18-hole lead/co-lead of the season (1-for-2 to date), most of any player (2, Will Gordon and Carson Young)
- Holds the lead in the FedExCup standings with three victories this season (Scottie Scheffler entered the 2022 Masters as the FedExCup leader with three victories on the season and went on to win)
- Four top-10s at the Masters, tied with Rory McIlroy and Cameron Smith for most of any player since Rahm made his tournament debut in 2017

Brooks Koepka (T1/-7)

- Four-time major champion (2017 U.S. Open, 2018 U.S. Open, 2018 PGA Championship, 2019 PGA Championship)
- Fourth career 18-hole lead/co-lead in major championships (1-for-3 to date) and second at the Masters
- Lowest first-round score (65) in a major since the 2019 PGA Championship (won wire-to-wire)

Miscellaneous notes

- Jason Day (T4/-5) has five top-10s in his last six starts on TOUR including a T5 at the WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play in his most recent start; Day, who finished runner-up in his tournament debut in 2011 and added top-fives in 2013 (3rd) and 2019 (T5), is making his 12th start in the Masters and first since 2021
- **Cameron Young** (T4/-5) is the only professional at 3-under or better that has not won on the PGA TOUR; Young had five runner-up finishes last season and recorded the sixth of his career at the WGC-Dell Technologies Match Play two weeks ago
- Defending champion and World No. 1 Scottie Scheffler cards a 4-under 68, his seventh consecutive under-par score at the Masters (longest active streak); Scheffler's 68 is the lowest first-round score by a defending champion at the Masters since Tiger Woods in 2020 (68)
- Sam Burns (T6/-4) becomes the third player on record (1983-present) to make birdie at No. 1, eagle at No. 2 and birdie at No. 3 (or better) in any round of the Masters Tournament (others: Mark O'Meara/R4/2001 and Jodie Mudd/R4/1987)
- With a 1-under 71, 63-year-old **Fred Couples** becomes the oldest player to record an under-par score at the Masters since Tom Watson in 2015 (71/R1)
- Kevin Na WD during the first round due to illness; Will Zalatoris WD prior to the start of his round due to injury