



2023 Puerto Rico Open
(The 19th of 44 events in the 2022-23 PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
 Grand Reserve Golf Club

March 2-5, 2023
 Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,506

Purse: \$3,800,000 (\$684,000/winner)
 FedExCup: 300 points (winner)

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, March 5, 2023

Weather: Mostly cloudy. High of 84. Wind E 10-16 mph, gusting to 24 mph.

Final Leaderboard

Nico Echavarria	67-67-65-68—267 (-21)
Akshay Bhatia	66-71-67-65—269 (-19)
Nate Lashley	71-65-67-69—272 (-16)
Carson Young	63-67-71-71—272 (-16)
Michael Kim	70-66-71-66—273 (-15)

Things to Know

- In his Puerto Rico Open debut, Colombia’s Nico Echavarria claims first career PGA TOUR title in 11th start; earns first start into this week’s PLAYERS Championship
- Echavarria played Grand Reserve Golf Club’s first nine this week in 15-under par
- With birdies on final four holes, Akshay Bhatia finishes solo-second to gain PGA TOUR Special Temporary Membership
- PGA TOUR rookie Carson Young, who led by three and four shots, respectively, after rounds one and two, claims T3 honors at site of his first career PGA TOUR start in 2021 (MC)
- Rafa Campos, the lone Puerto Rico native to make the cut, finishes T48 at 4-under 284 in his 14th Puerto Rico Open start

Nico Echavarria (1st/-21)

Category	Entering the Week
Age	28 (August 4, 1994)
FedExCup	40 (projected)
Starts – wins – top-10s in PGA TOUR career	11-1-1
Starts – wins – top-10s on TOUR in 2022-23	11-1-1
Starts – wins – top-10s at Puerto Rico Open	0-0-0

- Making his Puerto Rico Open debut, Colombia native closed with a 4-under 68 to claim his first career PGA TOUR in his 11th start at the age of 28 years, 7 months, 1 day
- Played the par-5 second hole in 6-under par this week (birdie-eagle-eagle-birdie) and 15-under par on Nos. 1-9 (6-under on Nos. 10-18)
- With his win, earns 300 FedExCup points, taking his season-long total to 388
- Becomes fully exempt for all of the 2022-23 season, through the 2024-25 season
- Earns a spot into this week’s PLAYERS Championship (where he now resides in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida), as well as other 2022-23 season events, including, but not limited to, the PGA Championship and Memorial Tournament presented by Workday
- By virtue of the win, earns a berth into several 2023-24 season events, including the Sentry Tournament of Champions, The Genesis Invitational and Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard
- Becomes the 10th player in Puerto Rico Open history (2008) to make the event his first career PGA TOUR title and first since Ryan Brehm in 2022
- Becomes the seventh 54-hole leader/co-leader of the event to convert for the win and second in as many seasons (Ryan Brehm/2022)
- Began the week on the heels of four consecutive missed cuts; best finish in 10 career starts on TOUR, each of which has come this season, was T12/Sony Open in Hawaii

Miscellaneous Notes

- With birdies on the final four holes in his first Puerto Rico Open start to shoot 7-under 65, **Akshay Bhatia** (2nd/-19) tied the low round of the day (Cody Gribble) to finish solo-second at 19-under 269; chipped in for birdie on the par-3 16th in rounds 2-4; needing a 3-way T2 or better, the finish earns Bhatia Special Temporary Membership to the PGA TOUR, affording him unlimited sponsor exemptions; the finish marks his best in 22 PGA TOUR starts and betters his only other top-10 finish of T9/2020 Fortinet Championship
- **Carson Young** (T3/-16), who led by three and four shots, respectively after rounds one and two, closed with back-to-back 1-under 71s in rounds three and four to finish at 16-under 272; best finish in 12 starts this season prior to this week came with last week's T29 at The Honda Classic; only previous TOUR start before this season was the 2021 Puerto Rico Open (MC); with the top-10 finish, earns a spot into the field at the Valspar Championship, site of his first-ever TOUR start
- **Nate Lashley** (T3/-16) closed with a 3-under 69 to keep his Puerto Rico Open top-10 streak alive; in three starts, has finished T8/2019, T3/2022 and T3/2023
- Coming off a T16 in last year's Puerto Rico Open, **Michael Kim** (5th/-15) closed his fourth start in the event with a 6-under 66; this week's solo-fifth supplants his previous best of the season of T11/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
- The lone Puerto Rico native (of five) in the field to make the cut, **Rafa Campos** closed with a 2-under 70 to finish T48 at 4-under 284 in his 14th Puerto Rico Open start