



PRE-TOURNAMENT NOTES 2024 MASTERS TOURNAMENT



TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

April 8-14 • 16th event of the FedExCup Regular Season
Augusta, Georgia
Augusta National Golf Club • Par 72 • 7,555 yards
Purse TBA • **Winner** TBA + 750 FedExCup pts.
89 players • 72-hole stroke-play
Defending champion Jon Rahm

BROADCAST SCHEDULE (ET)

	ESPN	CBS
R1	3-7:30 p.m.	
R2	3-7:30 p.m.	
R3		3-7 p.m.
R4		2-7 p.m.

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2024 PGA TOUR SEASON

FedExCup Playoffs

TOUR Championship.....
BMW Championship.....
FedEx St. Jude Championship.....

FedExCup Regular Season

Wyndham Championship.....
Olympic Men's Golf Competition.....
3M Open.....
Barracuda Championship.....
The Open Championship.....
Genesis Scottish Open.....
John Deere Classic.....
Rocket Mortgage Classic.....
Travelers Championship.....
U.S. Open.....
the Memorial Tournament.....
RBC Canadian Open.....
Charles Schwab Challenge.....
PGA Championship.....
Myrtle Beach Classic.....
Wells Fargo Championship.....
THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson.....
Zurich Classic of New Orleans.....
Corales Puntacana Championship.....
RBC Heritage.....
Masters Tournament.....
Valero Texas Open..... Akshay Bhatia
Texas Children's Houston Open..... *Stephan Jaeger*
Valspar Championship..... Peter Malnati
THE PLAYERS Championship..... Scottie Scheffler (2)
Puerto Rico Open..... Brice Garnett
Arnold Palmer Invitational..... Scottie Scheffler
Cognizant Classic..... *Austin Eckroat*
Mexico Open at Vidanta..... *Jake Knapp*
The Genesis Invitational..... Hideki Matsuyama
WM Phoenix Open..... Nick Taylor
AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am..... Wyndham Clark
Farmers Insurance Open..... *Matthieu Pavon*
The American Express..... *Nick Dunlap*
Sony Open in Hawaii..... Grayson Murray
The Sentry..... Chris Kirk

Italics First-time PGA TOUR winners

TOP STORYLINES

The 2024 Masters Tournament is the first major championship of the season and second event that offers 750 FedExCup points to the winner. **Scottie Scheffler** enters the Masters as the No. 1 player in the FedExCup standings and the Official World Golf Ranking for the second time in the last three years (2022; went on to win). Scheffler has two victories this season, winning the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard and THE PLAYERS Championship in consecutive weeks. This is the third consecutive year that Scheffler is entering the Masters with multiple wins on TOUR since January 1, the longest such streak since Tiger Woods did so from 2005-2008 (four straight). Scheffler is the only multiple winner on TOUR this season has finished in the top 10 in seven of his eight starts this season, the most of any player on TOUR. He led the TOUR in that category with 17 last season.

82-time PGA TOUR winner and five-time Masters Tournament champion **Tiger Woods** is making his second start of the season and first since The Genesis Invitational, where he withdrew during the second round due to illness. Woods made the cut at the 2023 Masters and withdrew during the third round due to injury. He tied Gary Player and Fred Couples for most consecutive starts making the cut at the Masters with 23, and would break the tie with a made cut in 2024. With a win, Woods would break a tie with Sam Snead for most PGA TOUR wins in history and tie Jack Nicklaus for most wins at the Masters (6). This is Woods' seventh start on TOUR since his February 2021 car accident and third at the Masters. He has three WDs in the previous six starts (2022 PGA Championship, 2023 Masters Tournament, 2024 Genesis Invitational), with his best result in that span coming at the 2023 Genesis Invitational (T45).

Three-time FedExCup Champion **Rory McIlroy** would become the sixth player to complete the career Grand Slam with a win, joining Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Ben Hogan and Gene Sarazen. McIlroy has seven top-10s at the Masters, most recently finishing solo-second in 2022.

Career Grand Slam tracker (*bold indicates tournament at which the player achieved Grand Slam*)

Player	Masters	PGA	U.S. Open	The Open
Tiger Woods	1997, 2001, '02, '05, '19	1999, 2000, 2006, 2007	2000, 2002, 2008	2000 , 2005, 2006
Jack Nicklaus	1963, '65, '66, '72, '75, '86	1963, 71, 73, 75, 80	1962, 1967, 1972, 1980	1966 , 1970, 1978
Gary Player	1961, 1974, 1978	1962, 1972	1965	1959, 1968, 1974
Ben Hogan	1951, 1953	1946, 1948	1948, 1950, 1951, 1953	1953
Gene Sarazen	1935	1922, 1923, 1933	1922, 1932	1932
<i>Rory McIlroy</i>		<i>2012, 2014</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>

Since last winning a major at the 2014 PGA Championship, McIlroy has 20 top-10s in majors, the most of any player in that span. In the same timeframe, he has won 15 times on the PGA TOUR, including the 2019 PLAYERS Championship, and earned three FedExCup titles (most all-time). This is his 35th start in a major since the start of 2015.

There are 89 players in the field, including 20 players making their tournament debut. Among the 20 first-timers in the field, 16 are PGA TOUR members and four are amateurs. Two of the top 10 players in the Official World Golf Ranking are making their first start at the Masters Tournament: No. 4 **Wyndham Clark** and No. 9 **Ludvig Åberg**. Clark, who earned his first major title at the 2023 U.S. Open, has won three times on TOUR in the last 12 months, most recently winning the 2024 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. He is making his ninth career start in a major (3 PGA Championship, 3 U.S. Open, 2 Open Championship). Åberg, who turned professional in June of 2023 and joined the PGA TOUR as the No. 1 player in the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking, is making his first career start in a major. In 19 starts on TOUR since turning professional, Åberg has recorded a win (2023 RSM Classic) and six additional top-10s, including a runner-up to Clark at the 2024 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. He has finished in the top 25 in each of his last six starts.

Players to win the Masters in tournament debut

Fuzzy Zoeller, 1979
Gene Sarazen, 1935 (second tournament)
Horton Smith, 1934 (inaugural tournament)

WINNERS

Year	Player	Year	Player
2023	Jon Rahm	1982	Craig Stadler
2022	Scottie Scheffler	1981	Tom Watson
2021	Hideki Matsuyama	1980	Seve Ballesteros
2020	Dustin Johnson	1979	Fuzzy Zoeller
2019	Tiger Woods	1978	Gary Player
2018	Patrick Reed	1977	Tom Watson
2017	Sergio Garcia	1976	Raymond Floyd
2016	Danny Willett	1975	Jack Nicklaus
2015	Jordan Spieth	1974	Gary Player
2014	Bubba Watson	1973	Tommy Aaron
2013	Adam Scott	1972	Jack Nicklaus
2012	Bubba Watson	1971	Charles Coody
2011	Charl Schwartzel	1970	Billy Casper
2010	Phil Mickelson	1969	George Archer
2009	Ángel Cabrera	1968	Bob Goalby
2008	Trevor Immelman	1967	Gay Brewer
2007	Zach Johnson	1966	Jack Nicklaus
2006	Phil Mickelson	1965	Jack Nicklaus
2005	Tiger Woods	1964	Arnold Palmer
2004	Phil Mickelson	1963	Jack Nicklaus
2003	Mike Weir	1962	Arnold Palmer
2002	Tiger Woods	1961	Gary Player
2001	Tiger Woods	1960	Arnold Palmer
2000	Vijay Singh	1959	Art Wall
1999	J. María Olazábal	1958	Arnold Palmer
1998	Mark O'Meara	1957	Doug Ford
1997	Tiger Woods	1956	Jack Burke, Jr.
1996	Nick Faldo	1955	Cary Middlecoff
1995	Ben Crenshaw	1954	Sam Snead
1994	J. María Olazábal	1953	Ben Hogan
1993	Bernhard Langer	1952	Sam Snead
1992	Fred Couples	1951	Ben Hogan
1991	Ian Woosnam	1950	Jimmy Demaret
1990	Nick Faldo	1949	Sam Snead
1989	Nick Faldo	1948	Claude Harmon
1988	Sandy Lyle	1947	Jimmy Demaret
1987	Larry Mize	1946	Herman Keiser
1986	Jack Nicklaus	1942	Byron Nelson
1985	Bernhard Langer	1941	Craig Wood
1984	Ben Crenshaw	1940	Jimmy Demaret
1983	Seve Ballesteros	1939	Ralph Guldahl
1938	Henry Picard		
1937	Byron Nelson		
1936	Horton Smith		
1935	Gene Sarazen		
1934	Horton Smith		

bold in field

ADDITIONAL STORYLINES

At No. 5 in the Official World Golf Ranking, **Xander Schauffele** is the highest-ranked player that has not won a major. Schauffele has six top-10s on TOUR this season, the second-most of any player (7, Scottie Scheffler). He has 19 top-25s in majors since joining the PGA TOUR at the start of the 2016-17 season, the most of any player in that span. **Akshay Bhatia** defeated **Denny McCarthy** in a playoff to win last week's Valero Texas Open, earning the final spot in the Masters. The last player to win a major after winning on TOUR the week prior was Rory McIlroy in 2014 (WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, PGA Championship) and the last to do so at the Masters was Phil Mickelson in 2006 (BellSouth Classic).

McCarthy is also making his tournament debut. The last player to lose in a playoff on TOUR and win the following week was Patrick Cantlay, who lost in a playoff at the 2022 RBC Heritage and then won the Zurich Classic of New Orleans with partner Xander Schauffele. The last player to lose in a playoff on TOUR and win a major the following week was Jordan Spieth in 2015 (lost in a playoff at the Texas Children's Houston Open and won the Masters the following week).

2021 Masters Tournament winner **Hideki Matsuyama** has finished T12 or better in each of his last four starts, including a win at The Genesis Invitational. Matsuyama is one of only two players, along with World No. 1 and FedExCup leader Scottie Scheffler, that has finished in the top 20 in each of the last four years at the Masters.

2023 Open Championship winner **Brian Harman** is making his sixth start at the Masters (best result: T12/2021) and first as a major champion. The last player to win consecutive majors was Jordan Spieth, who won the Masters and the U.S. Open in 2015. The last reigning Open Championship winner to win the Masters was Tiger Woods in 2001.

Stephan Jaeger won the Texas Children's Houston Open in his most recent start, earning his first PGA TOUR title in his 135th start. In the first 128 starts, Jaeger's best finish was solo-fifth at the 2022 Rocket Mortgage Classic; in his last seven, he has recorded three finishes of T3 or better (T3/Farmers Insurance Open, T3/Mexico Open at Vidanta, Won/Texas Children's Houston Open). He is making his fifth career start in a major and first at the Masters.

TOUR rookie **Nick Dunlap** is making his third career start in a major (MC/2022 U.S. Open, MC/2023 U.S. Open) and first at the Masters. Dunlap won The American Express in January, becoming the first amateur to win on TOUR since Phil Mickelson in 1991. Prior to winning The American Express and subsequently turning professional, was eligible for the Masters after winning the 2023 U.S. Amateur.

Longest active streak of top-10s in majors: 3, Rory McIlroy (streak began at 2023 PGA Championship)
 Longest active streak of made cuts in majors: 17, Jon Rahm (streak began at 2019 U.S. Open)
 Longest active streak of starts in majors: 89, Adam Scott (streak began at 2001 Open Championship)

2023 LEADERBOARD

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Jon Rahm	65	69	73	69	276 (-12)
T2	Brooks Koepka	65	67	73	75	280 (-8)
T2	Phil Mickelson	71	69	75	65	280 (-8)
T4	Russell Henley	73	67	71	70	281 (-7)
T4	Patrick Reed	71	70	72	68	281 (-7)
T4	Jordan Spieth	69	70	76	66	281 (-7)
T7	Viktor Hovland	65	73	70	74	282 (-6)
T7	Cameron Young	67	72	75	68	282 (-6)

STRENGTH OF FIELD STATISTICS

Top 10 FedExCup	10	Scottie Scheffler (1)
Top 30 FedExCup	27	
Top 10 OWGR	10	Scottie Scheffler (1)
Top 50 OWGR	50	
PGA TOUR winners	72	Tiger Woods (82)
Past champions	18	Defending: Jon Rahm
FedExCup Champions	9	Most recent: Viktor Hovland (2023)
PLAYERS winners	12	Most recent: Scottie Scheffler (2024)
Major winners	33	Tiger Woods (15)

TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Category	Value	Player	Year
Low 18-hole score	63	2 players; most recent: Greg Norman	1996
Low 36-hole score	130	Jordan Spieth	2015
Low 54-hole score	200	2 players; most recent: Dustin Johnson	2020
Low 72-hole score	268	Dustin Johnson	2020
Holes-in-one	34	Most recent: Stewart Cink	2022 (R2, No. 16)
Largest 18-hole lead	4	3 players; most recent: Justin Rose	2021
Largest 36-hole lead	5	5 players; most recent: Scottie Scheffler	2022
Largest 54-hole lead	9	Tiger Woods	1997
Best come-from-behind win	8	Jack Burke, Jr.	1956
Largest margin of victory	12	Tiger Woods	1997
Playoffs	15	Most recent: Sergio Garcia def. Justin Rose	2017
Wire-to-wire winners	4	Most recent: Jordan Spieth	2015