



2025 Masters Tournament (16<sup>th</sup> of 36 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Augusta, Georgia April 10-13, 2025 FedExCup points: 750 (winner)

Augusta National Golf Club Par/Yards: 36-36 – 72/7,555 Purse: TBD

First-Round Notes – Friday, April 10, 2025

**Thursday weather:** Mostly sunny. High of 76. Wind SW 10-15 mph.

## First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
1	Justin Rose	65 (-7)
T2	Corey Conners	68 (-4)
T2	Scottie Scheffler	68 (-4)
T2	Ludvig Åberg	68 (-4)

## Justin Rose (1<sup>st</sup>/-7)

- Matches his career-low 18-hole score at the Masters Tournament (65/R1/2021/finished 7<sup>th</sup>) to lead by three strokes
- From 1985 to 2024, four players have led by three or more strokes through 18 holes at the Masters: Justin Rose (2021/4), Charley Hoffman (2017/4), Jordan Spieth (2015/3), Darren Clarke (2003/3); of those, only Spieth went on to win
- Fifth first-round lead/co-lead at the Masters, surpassing Jack Nicklaus (4) with the most first-round leads/co-leads in Masters history
- Holds the first-round lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR for the 20<sup>th</sup> time, converting two of prior 19 (2010 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday, 2011 BMW Championship)
- No first-round leader/co-leader has gone on to win on the PGA TOUR this season (15 stroke play events)
- At 44, is the oldest player since 50-year-old Fred Couples in 2010 to lead/co-lead through 18 holes at the Masters, and the fifth-oldest all-time
- 2013 U.S. Open champion matches his career-best score in relation to par in a round of a major championship (fourth time in 275 major championship rounds)
- First-nine 31 (-5) marks his low first-nine score at Augusta National Golf Club (previous: 33, multiple times)
- Making his 20<sup>th</sup> Masters appearance, owns six top-10s in 19 prior starts; was T2 to Jordan Spieth in 2015 and lost a playoff to Sergio Garcia in 2017
- Two top-10s in six PGA TOUR starts this season, both coming in Signature Events (T3/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, T8/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard)

## **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Canada's Corey Conners (T2/-4), making his 200<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR start, records his first opening round in in the 60s at the
  Masters in his eighth appearance; previous-best position through 18 holes at this event: T7/2022; matches the lowest
  opening round by a Canadian at the Masters (Mike Weir/2009)
- Scottie Scheffler (T2/-4) posts his second bogey-free round at the Masters Tournament (R1/2024); marks his first time making birdie on hole No. 4 in 21 rounds; has now made at least one birdie on all 18 holes at Augusta National Golf Club
- Sweden's **Ludvig Åberg** (T2/-4), runner-up at the 2024 Masters in his first major championship appearance, is now 11-under through his first five rounds at Augusta National, bettered only by Jordan Spieth (13-under through first five rounds)
- In his ninth appearance, Tyrrell Hatton (T5/-3) cards his lowest opening round at the Masters (previous, 71/twice)
- 2020 and 2024 U.S. Open champion **Bryson DeChambeau** (T5/-3) is in search of his third major championship title; posted three top-10 results in the four major championships in 2024 (T6/Masters Tournament, 2<sup>nd</sup>/PGA Championship, Won/U.S. Open, MC/Open Championship)
- With a hole out from 191 yards on the par-4 14<sup>th</sup> hole, **Fred Couples** (T11/-1), in his 40<sup>th</sup> appearance, makes his first career eagle on a par-4 at the Masters; at age 65 years, 6 months, 7 days becomes second-oldest to break par in a round at Augusta National Golf Club (Tom Watson/2015/71/R1 at age 65 years, 7 months, 5 days)
- Rory McIroy (T27/E) cards two double bogeys in his last four holes (Nos. 15 and 17); first time with multiple double bogeys or worse in a round at the Masters Tournament since 2014 (R2)
- **Nick Dunlap's** opening-round 90 marks the highest 18-hole score on the PGA TOUR since Aguri Iwasaki carded 91 in round two of the 2024 Open Championship