



2025 Puerto Rico Open
(11th of 36 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
Grand Reserve Golf Club

March 6-9, 2025
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,506

FedExCup Points: 300 (winner)
Purse: \$4,000,000/\$720,000

Pre-Tournament Information – 2025 Puerto Rico Open

Puerto Rico Open notes

- The PGA TOUR returns to Grand Reserve Golf Club for the 17th playing of the Puerto Rico Open
- New in 2025, Grand Reserve Golf Club will be re-routed by flipping the nines, with a 236-yard par 3 and 450-yard par 4 serving as the final two holes
- The winner of the Puerto Rico Open will receive 300 FedExCup points, a two-year exemption on the PGA TOUR and an invitation to next week's PLAYERS Championship (if not already eligible)
- The field features:
 - Four past champions: Brice Garnett (2024), Ryan Brehm (2022), Chesson Hadley (2014), George McNeill (2012)
 - Eight players who finished inside the top 10 at the 2024 Puerto Rico Open: Brice Garnett (Won), Hayden Springer (T3), Adrien Dumont de Chassart (T6), Ben Kohles (T6), Norman Xiong (9th), Austin Cook (T10), Martin Laird (T10), Matti Schmid (T10)
 - Players with local ties to Puerto Rico: Kelvin Hernandez, Chris Nido, Reinaldo Simoni, Gustavo Rangel

Defending champion Brice Garnett

- Won the 2024 Puerto Rico Open by defeating Erik Barnes on the fourth hole of a sudden death playoff; on the fourth playoff hole (par-5 18th), Garnett sank a 10-foot birdie putt to win after the players matched par-birdie-par on the first three playoff holes
- Last year, recorded bogey-free rounds on the weekend with a third-round 68 and final-round 69; only carded two bogeys through all four rounds, tied for the second fewest bogeys-or-worse, only trailing Barnes (one bogey)
- Totaled three top-25 finishes in the 2024 season including his win in Puerto Rico, and finished No. 111 in the FedExCup Fall standings
- In eight career starts at the Puerto Rico Open, has three top-10 finishes (Won/2024, T7/2022, T5/2021) and no missed cuts
- Two-time PGA TOUR winner (2018 Corales Puntacana Championship)

Thriston Lawrence

- Highest-ranked player in the field at No. 63 in the Official World Golf Ranking
- 28-year-old native of Kempton Park, South Africa earned PGA TOUR membership through the 2024 DP World Tour Top 10
- In 26 starts on the DP World Tour in 2024, recorded five runner-up finishes and a fourth-place finish at The Open Championship
- Four-time winner on the DP World Tour
- Has one made cut in four TOUR starts this season (T59/Mexico Open at VidantaWorld)

Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen

- 25-year-old native of Nivå, Denmark making his PGA TOUR debut
- Turned professional in 2023 following a five-year collegiate career at Oklahoma State University (2018-23)
- As an amateur, won the 2017 Danish Junior Championship and was a member of the victorious International Team at the 2022 Palmer Cup
- In 2024, earned three victories on the HotelPlanner Tour to earn immediate promotion to the DP World Tour; in six starts on the DP World Tour this year, has three top-10 finishes, including one runner-up (Commercial Bank Qatar Masters)

Blades Brown

- Turned professional in December 2024 at 17 years old
- Making his third start as a sponsor exemption this season: The American Express (MC) and Mexico Open at VidantaWorld (T34)
- Earned medalist honors at the 2023 U.S. Amateur and 2024 U.S. Junior Amateur
- Prior to turning professional, was No. 1 on the Rolex AJGA Rankings and named 2024 AJGA Rolex Junior Player of the Year

Matthew Jordan

- Sponsor exemption making his seventh career start on TOUR and first this season
- All six previous starts on TOUR came at The Open Championship (2022, 2023, 2024) and the Genesis Scottish Open (2022, 2023, 2024)
- England native recorded back-to-back T10 finishes at The Open Championship in 2023 and 2024
- Has made 141 starts on the DP World Tour since turning professional in 2018 and totaled 16 top-10 finishes, including his first career runner-up finish at the 2024 Nedbank Golf Challenge
- Owns one career win on the HotelPlanner Tour (2019 Italian Challenge Open)

Kelvin Hernandez

- Earned a sponsor exemption via his solo-third finish at the Golf Puerto Rico Tournament series at TPC Dorado Beach last month
- 19-year-old native of Caguas, Puerto Rico in his sophomore year at the University of North Carolina Greensboro
- Marks his second consecutive season competing in the Puerto Rico Open (MC/2024)

Chris Nido

- San Juan, Puerto Rico native returns to the Puerto Rico Open for the sixth time
- Last year marked Nido's first made cut in the event (finished T49)
- Made his PGA TOUR debut at the 2017 Puerto Rico Open at the age of 17

Gustavo Rangel

- Native of Guaynabo, Puerto Rico making his first start on TOUR as a sponsor exemption
- Four-time winner of the Puerto Rico Junior Island Championship and finished T4 last year at the 70th Puerto Rico Amateur Championship
- Junior at Loyola University Maryland; will become the first player in both school and Patriot League history to compete in a PGA TOUR event while still in school

PGA TOUR season notes

- Joe Highsmith won last week's Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches, becoming the first player on TOUR to win after making the cut on the number (5-under) since Brandt Snedeker (2016 Farmers Insurance Open). Highsmith became the third first-time winner on TOUR this season, joining Brian Campbell (Mexico Open at VidantaWorld) and Thomas Detry (WM Phoenix Open).
- **Aon Swing 5:** The Puerto Rico Open is the first of four opportunities for players to earn FedExCup points towards the Aon Swing 5 with entry into the next Signature Event at the RBC Heritage (April 17-20). The top five players, not otherwise exempt, who earn the most FedExCup points during the Puerto Rico Open, Valspar Championship, Texas Children's Houston Open and Valero Texas Open will qualify for the RBC Heritage.
- **Aon Next 10:** The top 10 players, not otherwise exempt, from the FedExCup standings through the Masters Tournament will also qualify for the RBC Heritage through the Aon Next 10.