



**2026 Valspar Championship**  
**(11<sup>th</sup> of 34 FedExCup Regular Season events)**

**Palm Harbor, Florida**  
**Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead Course)**

**March 19-22, 2026**  
**Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,352**

**FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)**  
**Purse: \$9.14 million/\$1,638,000 (winner)**

**Second-Round Notes – Friday, March 20, 2026**

**Weather:** Sunny and breezy. High of 74. Wind NNE 10-15 mph, with gusts up to 23 mph.

**36-hole cut:** 74 professionals at 1-over 143 from a field of 135 professionals

**Second-Round Leaderboard**

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total
1	Sungjae Im	64	69	133 (-9)
2	David Lipsky	69	65	134 (-8)
T3	Doug Ghim	68	67	135 (-7)
T3	Chandler Blanchet	69	66	135 (-7)
T5	Five players			137 (-5)

**Sungjae Im (1<sup>st</sup>/-9)**

- Lone PGA TOUR winner among the top four players on the leaderboard
- Holds 36-hole lead/co-lead for the fifth time on TOUR (most recent: 2021 Shriners Children’s Open/Won); 1-for-4 in converting to victory
- Making his third start on TOUR this season after suffering from wrist injury in January (MC/Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, MC/THE PLAYERS Championship)
- Making fourth Valspar Championship appearance (T4/2019, T29/2021, MC/2024)
- Owns two TOUR titles in 211 career starts (2020 Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches, 2021 Shriners Children’s Open)
- Most recent top-10 finish on TOUR: T5/2025 Masters Tournament
- Looks to join K.J. Choi (2002, 2006) as the second South Korean player to win the Valspar Championship

**Miscellaneous Notes**

- **David Lipsky** (2<sup>nd</sup>/-8) is making his 145<sup>th</sup> PGA TOUR start in search of his first victory; best finish on TOUR: 2<sup>nd</sup>/2024 Procore Championship; made four cuts in five starts this season with 15 of 16 rounds par-or-better
- **Doug Ghim** (T3/-7) reached 9-under for the tournament with an eagle at the par-5 11<sup>th</sup> hole before dropping two shots in his last four holes; seeks first PGA TOUR title in his 178<sup>th</sup> start; best TOUR finish: 2<sup>nd</sup>/2024 Shriners Children’s Open
- PGA TOUR rookie **Chandler Blanchet** (T3/-7) (*pronounced BLON-shay*) finished runner-up in his sixth and most recent start this season, the Puerto Rico Open, after missing the cut in his first five starts; won twice on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2025
- **Marco Penge, Matt Fitzpatrick** and **Jordan Smith** are among a group of five players at 5-under (T5); they seek to join Luke Donald (2012) and Paul Casey (2018, 2019) as players from England to win the Valspar Championship
- **Alex Smalley** (T5/-5) seeks his first PGA TOUR title in his 135<sup>th</sup> start; owns two runner-up finishes on TOUR: T2/2022 Corales Puntacana Championship, T2/2023 John Deere Classic
- Nine-time TOUR winner **Brandt Snedeker** (T5/-5) makes his first cut in five starts this season
- **Brooks Koepka** (T10/-4) posts a back nine 4-under 31 en route to a second-round 67; finished T9 and T13 in his last two starts in Florida
- **Danny Walker** (T10/-4) posts 7-under 64, the low round of the day, following his first-round 74 to jump from T100 to T10
- After dropping three strokes on his last three holes for a first-round 69, 2015 Valspar Championship winner **Jordan Spieth** (T16/-3) finishes bogey, bogey for a second-round 70; last top-10 finish on TOUR: T7/2025 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday
- **Tom Kim** (T16/-3) is now 7-for-7 in made cuts this season; best finish in previous six starts: T34/The Genesis Invitational
- Defending champion **Viktor Hovland** (MC/+3) misses the cut for the first time on TOUR since the 2025 PLAYERS Championship; second consecutive year that the defending champion has missed the cut at this event (Peter Malnati)
- 90 hole outs have occurred through 36 holes at the Copperhead Course at Innisbrook, the second-most hole outs on any course this season (110/TPC Sawgrass Stadium Course/72 holes)
- **Brian Campbell** withdrew during the second round with a neck injury