



Tournament Fact Sheet

The RSM Classic (PGA TOUR)

Sea Island Resort (Seaside & Plantation) • St. Simons Island, Ga. • Nov. 20-23, 2025

Director of Golf Course Maintenance

Dylan Stafford, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 18

Years at Sea Island: 11

Years as a Superintendent: 9

Previous Courses: Ocean Forest, Eagle Landing, TPC Sawgrass

Hometown: Jesup, Ga.

Education: Western Kentucky University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be Stafford's 9th RSM Classic

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Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Dan Blenkinsop, GCSAA, Seaside superintendent

Josh Rumbaugh, Plantation superintendent

Charles Berryman, Seaside assistant superintendent; Dan Beckum, equipment manager; Brannen Veal, director of golf

Course Architect

Harry Colt and Charles Alison (1929)

Renovation: Tom Fazio (1999)

Seaside Notable

- Since last year, 16 fairway bunkers were renovated.
- The Seaside fairways are scheduled to be re-grassed to Platinum paspalum in the summer of 2026.

Seaside Course

Tournament Setup

Par: 35-35--70

Yardage: 7,005

Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass .090"

Collars: TifGrand bermudagrass

Approaches: TifDwarf bermudagrass

Fairways: Perennial ryegrass overseed .425"

Rough: Perennial ryegrass overseed 2"

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 7,200 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 25

Acres of Rough: 55

Number of Sand Bunkers: 47 (133,500 sq. ft.)

Number of Water Hazards: 14

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 13

Soil Conditions: Heavy

Water Sources: Holding pond

Drainage: Good

Average Fairway Widths: 47 yards

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Plantation Course

Course Architect

Walter Travis (1928)

Renovation: Davis Love III (2019)

Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 7,060

Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass

Fairways: Platinum paspalum

Rough: TifTuf bermudagrass

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,100 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 32

Acres of Rough: 50

Number of Sand Bunkers: 81

Number of Water Hazards: 10

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 10

Soil Conditions: Medium-Heavy

Water Sources: Holding pond

Drainage: Good

Average Fairway Widths: 43 yards

Plantation Notable

- Fairways are not overseeded for the second straight year.
- The "thumbprint" on No. 11 green has been softened to allow for two more pin positions.
- Three years ago, a new waste area was added to the right side of No. 13 fairway.

2025 GCSAA Course and Superintendent Notes For Courses Played to Date (PGA TOUR Only) (Primary Courses Only) (U.S./Canada/Mexico Courses Only) (This Week's Course in Red)

Tournaments by State

6 – California

4 – Florida / Texas

3 - Georgia

2 – Hawaii / South Carolina / Pa. / North Carolina

1 – Ariz. / La. / Ohio / Canada / Ct. / Mich. / Ill. / Ky. / Minn /
Tenn. / Md. / Mississippi / Utah / Mexico / Bermuda

Yardage (par)

Longest (top 10)

7,765 (72) – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

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7,626 (71) – Quail Hollow (PGA Championship)

7,601 (72) – Caves Valley (BMW Championship)

7,596 (73) – Kapalua Resort (The Sentry)

7,569 (72) – Muirfield Village (Memorial)

7,561 (71) – TPC Craig Ranch (CJ CUP Byron Nelson)

7,555 (72) – Augusta National (Masters)

7,480 (71) – Tahoe Mountain Club (Barracuda)

7,475 (70) – Memorial Park (Texas Children's Hospital)

Shortest (top 5)

6,828 (71) – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)

6,844 (70) – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)

6,972 (72) – Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)

7,005 (70) – Sea Island Seaside (RSM Classic)

7,044 (70) – Waialae (Sony Open)

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Average Green Size (top five)Largest

8,500 – Oakmont (US Open)
8,722 – Kapalua Resort (The Sentry)
8,300 – El Cardonal at Diamante (Word Wide Technology)
7,500 – Bay Hill Club (Cognizant)
7,200 – Sea Island Seaside (RSM Classic)
7,100 – Waialae (Sony Open)

Smallest

3,500 – Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)
3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC)
4,500 – TPC Southwind (FedEx St. Jude)
4,750 – Hurstbourne (ISCO)
5,000 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
5,000 – Colonial Country Club (Charles Schwab)
5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)
5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Genesis)
5,000 – Muirfield Village (Memorial)

Number of Bunkers (top five)Most

168 – Oakmont (US Open)
118 – Philadelphia Cricket Club (Truist)
116 – Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)
106 – TPC Louisiana (Zurich)
95 – Tahoe Mountain Club (Barracuda)

Fewest

21 – Memorial Park (Texas Children's Hospital)
44 – Black Desert Resort (Bank of Utah)
44 – Augusta National (Masters)
47 – Sea Island Seaside (RSM Classic)
48 – El Cardonal at Diamante (World Wide Technology)
48 – TPC Toronto (RBC Canadian)

Green Turf Type**12 – Bermudagrass**

11 – Poa or Poa overseed
10 – Bentgrass
5 – Bentgrass / Poa
1 – Poa / bentgrass / ryegrass
1 – Platinum paspalum

Rough Turf Type**14 – Ryegrass**

10 – Bluegrass and/or bluegrass mixes
8 – Bermudagrass
5 – Ryegrass and fescue mixes
1 – Tall fescue
1 – Bermudagrass / Zoysia
1 – None

Superintendents Tournaments Hosted (includes 2025) (top 5)

30 – Jeff Plotts, TPC Sawgrass (10th THE PLAYERS)
28 – Jonathan Wright, Harbour Town (RBC)
24 – Dave Nakama, CGCS, Waialae (Sony Open)
17 – Ryan Stewart, Innisbrook (Valspar)
17 – Chris Flynn, CGCS, Bay Hill Club (Arnold Palmer)
17 – Keith Wood, Quail Hollow (PGA Championship)

Superintendents GCSAA Membership Years (30+ years)

46 – Stanley Reedy, CGCS, The CC of Jackson (Sanderson Farms)
39 – Brian Sullivan, CGCS, MG, PGA West (AE)
37 – Kevin Welker, CGCS, El Cardonal at Diamante (Word Wide Technology)
37 – Roby Robertson, CGCS, TPC San Antonio (Valero Texas)
34 – Walter K. Pritchett, CGCS, Hurstbourne (ISCO)
34 – Ken Einwig, PGA National (Cognizant)
31 – Stephen Gross, CGCS, TPC Craig Ranch (THE CJ CUP)
31 – Jeff Plotts, TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS)

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