

## THE WORLD CUP OF GOLF FACT SHEET

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EVENT	<p>World Cup of Golf 2018</p> <p>The 2018 World Cup of Golf will be played November 21-25, 2018 at The Metropolitan Golf Club in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.</p> <p>The World Cup of Golf is sanctioned and organised by the International Federation of PGA Tours, which includes the Asian Tour, European Tour, Japan Golf Tour, PGA TOUR, PGA Tour of Australasia and Southern Africa Tour.</p> <p>First played in 1953, the World Cup is one of the oldest and most prestigious global golf team events in the world inviting two-man teams from 28 nations to play “For the Honour” of representing their country. The 2018 World Cup will be the 59th staging of this event, which has been played in 25 countries and seen many greats of the game lift the prestigious trophy. The list of champions from the World Cup reads like a who’s who of golf. Great names such as Snead, Hogan, Nicklaus, Palmer, Trevino, Faldo, Ballesteros, Langer, Woods, Els and Day have all been able to call themselves World Champions.</p> <p>The 2018 event will mark the third-consecutive playing of the World Cup of Golf in the Sandbelt region. Danes Søren Kjeldsen and Thorbjørn Olesen captured the 2016 edition at Kingston Heath Golf Club, while Australian’s Adam Scott and Jason Day were victorious at The Royal Melbourne Golf Club in 2013.</p>
DATES	<p>Monday 19 November 2018 – Practice day, players only</p> <p>Tuesday 20 November 2018 – Practice day, players only / Cocktail Reception</p> <p>Wednesday 21 November 2018 – Pro-Am morning and afternoon sessions</p> <p>Thursday 22 November 2018 – First Round 10.40-12.50 / Fourball (best ball)</p> <p>Friday 23 November 2018 – Second Round 08.10-11.25 / Foursomes (alternate shot)</p> <p>Saturday 24 November 2018 – Third Round 10.40-12.50 / Fourball (best ball)</p> <p>Sunday 25 November 2018 – Final Round 08.10-11.25 / Foursomes (alternate shot)</p> <p>Monday 25 November 2018 – Am-Am morning and afternoon sessions</p>
BROADCAST	<p>The event will be broadcast between 12pm-5pm on Thursday 22 November through to Sunday 25 November 2018.</p>
SITE	<p>The Metropolitan Golf Club, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.</p> <p>Widely regarded as one of the finest championship courses in Australia, The Metropolitan Golf Club shares a common origin with The Royal Melbourne Golf Club, and consistently enjoys a reputation as one of the best-conditioned and most beautiful courses in the country. The Metropolitan Golf Club’s rich tournament history includes the World Golf Championships-Dell Technologies Match Play (2001), Men’s Australian Open, (1930, 1936, 1951, 1979, 1986, 1993, 1997), Australian PGA Championship (1930, 1936, 1951, 1966, 1968), Women’s Australian Open (2009) and the Australian Masters (2014).</p>
PURSE	<p>US \$7M</p>



PAR/  
YARDAGE Par: 72 – 6694 meters/7321 yards (Four par 3's and four par 5's)

ARCHITECT J B MacKenzie 1908 / Dr Alister MacKenzie 1926 / Dick Wilson 1960 /  
Michael Clayton 2005/2006 / Crafter + Mogford Golf Strategies

FORMAT The tournament is a 72-hole stroke play team event with each team comprised of two players. The first and third days are fourball (best ball) play and the second and final days are foursomes (alternate shot) play.

ELIGIBILITY Eligible players for the 28-team/56 player field are:

- Top 28 available countries from the Official World Golf Ranking distributed the week of September 3, 2018
- The players must be native-born citizens of those top 28 countries
- The top ranked player may pick any player from the same country within the top 500 on the OWGR, or if there are less than five players to choose from within the top 500, may extend the range of possible choices to be at least five players (and any ties) even if ranked outside 500.
- The deadline for the exempt players to commit is 5pm USA eastern time Thursday, September 13, 2018.
- The deadline for the exempt player to select his partner is 5pm USA eastern time Thursday, September 20, 2018.

#### 2016 FIELD/FACTS

In 2016 the field included:

- 273 total international victories
- 67 combined World Cup of Golf appearances
- 17 of the top 50 players in the world
- 4 of the top 10 players in the world
- 18 with Presidents Cup or Ryder Cup experience
- Global broadcast: 871M+ homes representing 227 countries and territories around the world
- One of only five events co-sanctioned by the International Federation of PGA Tours

#### 2016 CHAMPIONS

Denmark: Søren Kjeldsen and Thorbjørn Olesen  
Four-round total of 268

POSSIBLE 2018 FIELD

Top 28 Players from the World Golf Rankings current field if Selections took place on March 1 2018:

1. USA: Dustin Johnson
2. SPAIN: Jon Rahm
3. ENG: Justin Rose
4. JAP: Hideki Matsuyama
5. AUS: Jason Day
6. SWE: Henrik Stenson
7. ITA: Francesco Molinari
8. SA: Branden Grace
9. CHI: Li Haotong
10. GER: Thomas Pieters
11. THA: Kiradech Aphibarnrat
12. CAN: Adam Hadwin
13. VEN: Jhonattan Vegas
14. AUT: Bernd Wiesberger
15. FRA: Alexander Levy
16. NED: Joost Luiten
17. IRL: Shane Lowry
18. IND: Shubhanker Sharma
19. ARG: Emilliano Grillo
20. KOR: Byeong Hun An
21. SCO: Russell Knox
22. DEN: Thorbjorn Olesen
23. PAR: Fabrizio Zanotti
24. NZL: Danny Lee
25. MAS: Gavin Green
26. TPE: CT Pan
27. NIR: Graeme McDowell
28. ZIM: Scott Vincent

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Year	Venue	Champions	Score
2016	Kingston Heath, Melbourne, Australia	Denmark - Søren Kjeldsen and Thorbjørn Olesen	268
2015	Not played		
2014	Not played		
2013	Royal Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia	Australia - Jason Day/Adam Scott	551 (combined)
2012	Not played	*Jason Day won the individual competition	
2011	Mission Hills Golf Club, Hainan Island, China	United States - Matt Kuchar/Gary Woodland	264
2010	Not played		
2009	Mission Hills Golf Club, Shenzhen, China	Italy - Francesco Molinari/Edoardo Molinari	259
2008	Mission Hills Golf Club, Shenzhen, China	Sweden - Robert Karlsson/Henrik Stenson	261
2007	Mission Hills Golf Club, Shenzhen, China	Scotland - Colin Montgomerie/Marc Warren	263
*2006	Sandy Lane Resort , St. James Barbados	Germany - Bernhard Langer/Marcel Siem	268
*2005	Victoria Clube de Golfe Course, Algarve, Portugal	Wales - Bradley Dredge/Stephen Dodd	189
*2004	Real Club de Golf de Seville, Seville, Spain	England - Paul Casey/Luke Donald	257
*2003	Ocean Course, Kiawah Island, SC, USA	South Africa - Rory Sabbatini/Trevor Immelman	275
*2002	VistaVallarta, Nicklaus Course, PuertoVallarta, Mex.	Japan - Shigeki Maruyama/Toshi Izawa	252
*2001	aiheiyo Club, Gotemba Course, Shizouka, Japan	South Africa - Ernie Els/Retief Goosen	264
*2000	Buenos Aires Golf Club, Buenos Aires, Argentina	United States - Tiger Woods/David Duval	254
1999	Mines Resort & GC, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	United States - Mark O'Meara/Tiger Woods	545
1998	Gulf Harbour, Auckland, New Zealand	England - Nick Faldo/David Carter	568
1997	Kiawah Island Resort, South Carolina, USA	Ireland - Pdraig Harrington/Paul McGinley	545
1996	Erinvale GC, Western Cape, South Africa	South Africa - Ernie Els/Wayne Westner	547
1995	Mission Hills, Shenzhen, China	United States - Fred Couples/Davis Love III	543
1994	Hyatt Dorado Beach Resort, Dorado, Puerto Rico	United States - Fred Couples/Davis Love III	536
1993	Lake Nona, Orlando, Florida, USA	United States - Fred Couples/Davis Love III	556
1992	La Moraleja, Madrid, Spain	United States - Fred Couples/Davis Love III	548
1991	Le Querce, Rome, Italy	Sweden - Per-Ulrik Johansson/Anders Forsbrand	563
1990	Grand Cypress Resort, Orlando, Florida, USA	Germany - Bernhard Langer/Torsten Giedeon	556
1989	Las Brisas, Marbella, Spain	Australia - Peter Fowler/Wayne Grady	278 (36)

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1988	Royal Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia	United States - Ben Crenshaw/Mark McCumber	560
1987	Kapalua, Bay Course, Maui, Hawaii, USA	Wales - Ian Woosnam/David Llewellyn	574
1986	Not Played		
1985	La Quinta, California, USA	Canada - Dave Barr/Dan Halldorson	559
1984	Olgjata, Rome, Italy	Spain - José Maria Cañizares/José Rivero	414 (54)
1983	Pondok Indah, Jakarta, Indonesia	United States - Rex Caldwell/John Cook	565
1982	Pierre Marques, Acapulco, Mexico	Spain - Manuel Piñero/José Maria Cañizares	563
1981	Not Played		
1980	El Rincon, Bogota, Colombia	Canada - Dan Halldorson/Jim Nelford	572
1979	Glyfada, Athens, Greece	United States - Hale Irwin/John Mahaffey	575
1978	Princeville Makai, Hawaii, USA	United States - John Mahaffey/Andy North	564
1977	Wack Wack, Manila, Philippines	Spain - Seve Ballesteros/Antonio Garrido	591
1976	Mission Hills, Palm Springs, California, USA	Spain - Manuel Piñero/Seve Ballesteros	574
1975	Navatane, Bangkok, Thailand	United States - Johnny Miller/Lou Graham	554
1974	Lagunita, Caracas, Venezuela	South Africa - Bobby Cole/Dale Hayes	554
1973	Golf Nueva Andalucia (Las Brisas), Spain	United States - Johnny Miller/Jack Nicklaus	558
1972	Royal Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia	Taiwan - Hsieh Min-Nan/Lu-Liang-Huan	438 (54)
1971	PGA National, Palm Beach Gardens, USA	United States - Jack Nicklaus/Lee Trevino	555
1970	Jockey Club, Buenos Aires, Argentina	Australia - David Graham/Bruce Devlin	544
1969	Singapore Island, Singapore	United States - Lee Trevino/Orville Moody	552
1968	Olgjata, Rome, Italy	Canada - Al Balding/George Knudson	569
1967	Club de Golf, Mexico City, Mexico	United States - Arnold Palmer/Jack Nicklaus	557
1966	Yomiuri, Tokyo, Japan	United States - Jack Nicklaus/Arnold Palmer	548
1965	Club de Campo, Madrid, Spain	South Africa - Gary Player/Harold Henning	571
1964	Royal Kaanapali, Maui, Hawaii, USA	United States - Jack Nicklaus/Arnold Palmer	554
1963	St-Nom-La Breteche, Paris, France	United States - Jack Nicklaus/Arnold Palmer	482 (63)
1962	Jockey Club, Buenos Aires, Argentina	United States - Arnold Palmer/Sam Snead	557
1961	Dorado Beach, Dorado, Puerto Rico	United States - Sam Snead/Jimmy Demaret	560
1960	Portmarnock, Dublin, Ireland	United States - Arnold Palmer/Sam Snead	565



<b>Year</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Champions</b>	<b>Score</b>
1959	Royal Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia	Australia - Peter Thomson/Kel Nagle	563
1958	Club de Golf Mexico City, Mexico	Ireland - Harry Bradshaw/Christy O'Connor	579
1957	Kasumigaseki, Tokyo, Japan	Japan - Torakichi Nakamura/Koichi Ono	557
1956	Wentworth Club, Surrey, England	United States - Ben Hogan/Sam Snead	567
1955	Columbia, Washington DC, USA	United States - Chick Harbert/Ed Furgol	560
1954	Laval-sur-Le Lac, Montreal, Ca	Australia - Kel Nagle/Peter Thomson	556
1953	Beaconsfield, Montreal, Canada	Argentina - Roberto de Vicenzo/Antonio Cedra	287 (36)