



TPC San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas, April 4th – 7th 2019

The Course

The course is located in the Cibolo Canyons just north of San Antonio designed by Greg Norman with the help of Sergio Garcia. It is a par 72 and is about 7500 yards with four par 5's and four par 3's and the shortest par 5 is 567 yards which is the 14th hole. The 17th hole is a par 4 and is only 347 yards, should give up plenty of eagle and birdie chances.

The course is flat with a lot of tree lined fairways which are quite narrow and any wayward tee shots the player could find himself in the native vegetation and be unplayable. There are also a lot of bunkers to avoid and some of them are very deep. Some changes were made after the 2012 event to try and make it a bit easier. Conditions can sometimes get windy here which makes it more difficult and the course is not usually an easy one to play on. It is regularly ranked as one of the 10 hardest courses on the PGA tour but it can depend on how windy it is.

Players Suited

The course has only hosted this event since 2010 and six of the seven winners since then had previously won on the PGA tour and all seven had been professional golfers for at least seven years and were aged 28 or over so experience may be a plus at this venue.

Long hitters do not seem to have an especially good record here and players who can play accurately off the tee and can find greens in regulation may do well this week and players who can cope well with windy conditions should have an advantage.

Also based on the past winner odds here over the last seven years is around 126/1 so expect a big value to be close again this week.

Past Results

- 2018 Andrew Landry 200/1
- 2017 Kevin Chappell 33/1
- 2016 Charley Hoffman 30/1
- 2015 Jimmy Walker 25/1
- 2014 Steven Bowditch 350/1.
- 2013 Martin Laird 100/1
- 2012 Ben Curtis 150/1

Mike's Picks



Billy Horschel (USA) 28/1

Four-time winner on the PGA Tour and playing some of his best golf this season. Not a very good run at the match play last week but to be fair it is not his strongest format. He plays this course so well and sets up for his game perfectly.

The team caught up with Billy whilst he was practicing a few weeks back, and in his blog regarding superstitions, he said he carry's four tees and a 1936 quarter in his right pocket.

So, guess what the team met him again this week and we got to rub the quarter for good luck, we told him we are going for back to back winners this week :o) You never know?

His past results here are pretty impressive too:

- 2013 - 3rd
- 2015 - 3rd
- 2016 - 4th
- 2018 - 11th



Aaron Baddeley (AUS) 50/1

He caught the eye last week at the Corales Puntacana. Three great rounds of 68/67/68 only to finish off on Sunday with a very average 71. It still gained him a top ten finish and brimming with confidence coming back to a golf course he loves this week.

He did come close in Puerto Rico a couple of weeks ago only to again have another average Sunday. The average score for the top six players on Sunday was 66 Aaron managed a 72 and still ended up in second place. He seemed to lose his way early on that Sunday bogeying five, six and eight.

I feel he could put all four rounds together this week and could be in contention come Sunday. His Sunday scoring here has been much better in the past so should take some good vibes from that. **5/1 Top Ten bet as well.**



Jimmy Walker (USA) 70/1

Like the look of Jimmy this week, as experience is one of the main factors here was surprised to see him as big as 70's, going on past results:

- 2018 - 4th
- 2017 - 13th
- 2015 - Winner
- 2014 - 16th
- 2013 - 31st
- 2010 - 3rd

He normally treats this event as his warm up for the Masters and has done for the past twelve years. He has not played since the Players so should be well rested and ready to perform well. His stats this season are not the greatest reading but this should not really be a factor here. As you can tell by his results. Expect a good show.



Chris Kirk (USA) 100/1

A University of Georgia candidate 2007, Looking to get his place in the Masters next week. So, looking for a good solid week and a chance to perform well. This course is right up his alley and his results here back that up with two eighth place finishes over the past four years.

Holds a good tee to green game which should be a positive this week. Also seems to perform well on tougher tracks and a strong wind player which will all factor this week.



DJ Trahan (USA) 200/1

Not "The DJ" but a quality player none the less and I feel that he is finding some of the form he did back in 2006/2008 where he picked up two PGA Tour titles. We followed most of his play over last weekend at the Corales and he played some the best golf out of anyone to be fair. His weekend shooting was 68/66 not a bad result finishing up with a top ten finish against a stronger field.

He was 15th here back in 2013. If he continues the form, he finished off last week then who knows. He has after all won twice so can get the job done coming down the stretch if needed.

You could also look at the Top 20/10 markets here. 9/1 Top 20 and 22/1 Top 10

First Round Leader Contenders

- **Charley Hoffman (USA) 55/1 - Paddy Power 6 Places 1/5**
- **Grayson Murray (USA) 130/1 - Betfair 6 Places 1/5**