

## **Tournament Fact Sheet**

### **Houston Open**

Golf Club of Houston • Humble, Texas • Oct. 10-13, 2019

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Years as GCSAA Member: 19 Years at Golf Club of Houston: 4 Years as a Superintendent: 21

#### Other Key Golf Personnel

Jason Ploetz, Assistant Superintendent Jack Metcalf, Equipment Manager Reese McCall, Manager

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Rees Jones (2005) Course Owner: Escalante Golf

#### **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 72

Yardage: 7,441

#### **Course Statistics**

Soil Conditions: Clay Water Sources: Well Drainage Conditions: Fair

#### **Turfgrass**

Greens: MiniVerde bermudagrass .100" Tees: TifSport bermudagrass .400" Fairways: TifSport bermudagrass .400" Rough: TifSport bermudagrass 1.75"

#### **Additional Notes**

- Tropical storm Imelda dropped 18 inches of rain on Houston the third week of September and left holes No. 1 and 18 completely under water for two and one-half days.
- The Member Course on the property opened in 2003 and hosted the Houston Open for three years before the Tournament Course was opened and began hosting in 2006.
- After this year, the Houston Open will move to Memorial Park Golf Course.
- The Houston Open began in 1946 with Byron Nelson edging Ben Hogan for the title.

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