



Tournament Fact Sheet

TOUR Championship (PGA TOUR)

East Lake Golf Club • Atlanta, Ga. • August 24-30, 2026

Director of Agronomy

Charlie Aubry, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 18

Years at East Lake: 10 (2 as director of agronomy)

Years as a Superintendent: 8

Previous Courses: Atlanta Country Club (assistant), Ventana Canyon (assistant), Coeur D'Alene Resort (intern)

Hometown: Rochester, Mich.

Education: Michigan State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be the 12th overall Tour Championship for Aubry (2015-present) and his 4th as the director of agronomy.

Other Key Agronomy Personnel

David Watts, superintendent; Banks Woodrick, lead assistant superintendent; Taylor Luckado, lead assistant superintendent; Jordan Sayles, second assistant superintendent; Chris Lewis, equipment manager; Mandy Rowell, tournament coordinator
Agronomy Employees: 38 / Tournament Volunteers: 70
Golf Course Dogs: George, a great dane; Lady Bird, a vizsla

Course Architect

Tom Bendelow (1904)

Renovation: Donald Ross (1913), George Cobb (1959), Rees Jones (1994, 2008, 2016), Andrew Green (2023-24)

Notable

- Changes to the course since last year include an additional fairway reduction on #17. In addition, there are extended shortgrass Prizm areas around greens #3, #7, #12, #15 and #17.

Tournament Setup

Par: 35-35--70

Yardage: 7,440

Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass .115"

Collars: Prizm zoysiagrass .215"

Approaches: Prizm zoysiagrass .215"

Tees: Zorro zoysia / Tahoma 31 bermudagrass .425"

Fairways: Zorro zoysiagrass .385"

Rough: Tifway 419 bermudagrass 3.5"

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,238 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 29 (up from 24 in 2023)

Acres of Rough: 70 (down from 90 in 2023)

Number of Sand Bunkers: 78 (76,000 sq. ft.) (up from 74 bunkers in 2023)

Number of Water Hazards: 5

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 8 (up from 6 in 2023)

Soil Conditions: Red Georgia Clay

Water Sources: 25-acre pond / lake

Drainage: Good

High Elevation: 1,045'

Low Elevation: 955'

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