Tournament Fact Sheet

Austin Championship (PGA TOUR)

Omni Barton Creek Fazio Canyons Course • Austin, Texas • November 12-15, 2026

Director of Agronomy

Tony Miller, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 25
Years at Omni Barton Creek: 19
Years as a Superintendent: 30
Previous Courses: Dominion Country Club, Director of Agronomy, 15 years
Hometown: Mason, Mich.
Education: Michigan State
Professional Tournaments Hosted: Miller has hosted the Samsung World Championship, the Shell Houston Open and Pro Stakes.

Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Superintendent: David Madar
Assistant Superintendents: Evan McKenney
Equipment Manager: Kenny Sierra
PGA Professional: Richard Ethridge
Agronomy Employees: 24 / Tournament Volunteers: 36
Golf Course Dog: Bruce, Lab/Pyrenees, 6 years old

Course Architect

Tom Fazio (1999)
Renovation: Tom Facio (2022)

Notable

- They have extended tee box locations to lengthen the course.
- The cold weather has shut the Bermuda down.

Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72
Yardage: 7,451

Turfgrass

Greens: MiniVerde bermudagrass (.120)
Collars: Tifway 419 bermudagrass (.375”)
Approaches: Tifway 419 bermudagrass (.375”)
Tees: Northbridge bermudagrass (.375”)
Fairways: Tifway 419 bermudagrass (.400”)
Rough: Tifway 419 bermudagrass (3”)

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,300 sq. ft.
Total Property Acres: 95
Acres of Fairway: 30
Acres of Rough: 50
Number of Sand Bunkers: 42 (58,675 sq. ft.)
Number of Water Hazards: 3
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 10
Soil Conditions: Improve soil media
Water Sources: Reclaim
Drainage: Good/Average
High Elevation: N/A
Low Elevation: N/A
Average Fairway Widths: 35 yards
Wildlife: Deer, skunks, rabbits, snakes, armadillos, fox, coyotes, eagles and hawks

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