



# Japan's Matsuyama makes history as Masters champ

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*Hideki Matsuyama won the Masters at Augusta National by one shot over Will Zalatoris on Sunday to become the first Japanese man to win a major golf tournament.*

1-1. With the weight of a nation on his shoulders, 29-year-old Hideki Matsuyama \_\_\_\_\_

1-2. making history \_\_\_\_\_

2-1. Matsuyama, who started the day with a four-shot lead \_\_\_\_\_

2-2. carded a one-over-par 73 \_\_\_\_\_

3-1. Americans Zalatoris, \_\_\_\_\_

3-2. finished in second place \_\_\_\_\_

3-3. And Schauffele \_\_\_\_\_

4-1. Matsuyama grew emotional \_\_\_\_\_

4-2. and told reporters said \_\_\_\_\_

## [Vocabulary]

□ **weight:** If you talk about the weight of something, you mean that it is large in amount or has great power, which means that it is difficult to oppose or fight against.

• *Today I feel like I had a weight lifted off my chest.*

• *Companies found themselves collapsing under the weight of debts.*

□ **U.S. Masters:** one of the four major championships in professional golf. Scheduled for the first full week of April, the Masters is the first major of the year, and unlike the others, it is always held at the same location, Augusta National Golf Club, a private course in the southeastern United States, in the city of Augusta, Georgia.

□ **Augusta:** a city in eastern Georgia north-northwest of Savannah; noted for golf tournaments

□ **major:** A major is an important sporting competition, especially in golf or tennis.

- *Sarazen became the first golfer to win all four majors.*
- *That victory, the first major win of his career, made Woods the first African-American winner at Augusta National.*

□ **quartet:** a group of four people or things

- *...a quartet of local women in their mid-forties.*
- *He is a member of a jazz quartet.*

□ **Xander Schauffele:** (born October 25, 1993) an American professional golfer who plays on the PGA Tour and the European Tour. Schauffele was born in San Diego, California to a German/French naturalized immigrant father and a Taiwanese naturalized immigrant mother. Schauffele's father has been his only swing coach throughout his golfing career. The Schauffele teaching philosophy relies heavily on basic ball flight laws and golf club mechanics – as a result Schauffele had not seen his own swing until about age 18.

□ **debutant:** appearance in a particular capacity, such as a sportsperson playing in a first game for a team

- *Thailand again qualified to the Asian Cup in 2004 and was put into a group with Japan, Iran and debutant Oman.*
- *Actress Nancy Walker was a debutant in this musical on Broadway.*

□ **Will Zalatoris:** (born August 16, 1996) an American professional golfer on the PGA Tour. He won the 2020 TPC Colorado Championship on the Korn Ferry Tour. He finished second in the 2021 Masters Tournament, when making his debut at the Masters.

□ **card:** to achieve a particular score, especially in golf

- *Vickery finished third after carding a score of 68.*

□ **par:** in the sport of golf, the number of times that a player is expected to hit a ball to get it into one hole, or into all of the holes

- *He was five under par after the first round.*
- *The 18th hole is a par 5.*

□ **PGA Tour:** the organizer of the main professional golf tours played by men in the United States and North America.

□ **shoot:** in golf, to get a particular score

- *shoot a 2-under*
- *He shot a 68 in yesterday's round.*

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