

## Valero Picks 2014

Valero picks are based on recent performance and historical performance at the event. Picks can be verified by checking out the statistics page on the web site. Others to consider are based on other various factors, stats, trends, etc.

**Fredrik Jacobson** – Jacobson is on a trend coming into this tourney and he hasn't finished outside the top 20 in the last 5 years at Valero, including 3 top 10s.

**Ryan Palmer** – Palmer is another player on a trend and he finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in his most recent event played. Palmer finished 15<sup>th</sup> last year at Valero and 32<sup>nd</sup> in 2012.

**Matt Kuchar** – Kuchar has 2 top 10 finishes in his most recent 5 events played and he's back to back top 25 finishes at Valero over the past 2 years.

**Phil Mickelson** – Mickelson is on a trend and although he hasn't played this event in over 5 years, he's too good to not be included in picks.

**Brendan Steele** – Steele won this event in 2011, he finished 4<sup>th</sup> in 2012 and he's on a trend, including 2 top 10s in his most recent 5 events played.

**Jason Kokrak** – Kokrak is on a trend and has 3 top 20 finishes in his most recent 5 events, including a 4<sup>th</sup> in his last event played. Kokrak finished 15<sup>th</sup> at Valero last year.

**Charley Hoffman** – Hoffman has 5 straight top 15 finishes at Valero over the past 5 years, including 3 top 10s. Hoffman also has 3 top 25 finishes in his 5 most recent events played.

**Jim Furyk** – Furyk is on a trend and he finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at Valero last year.

**Jimmy Walker** – Walker has 4 straight top 25 finishes over his 5 most recent events played, including a win. Walker finished 3<sup>rd</sup> at Valero in 2010.

**Martin Laird** – Laird is the defending champion and he's made 5 straight cuts in his last 5 tournaments played. Laird also has a 9<sup>th</sup> place finish at Valero in 2011.

Others to consider, in no particular order:

**Jordan Spieth, Ben Curtis, Cameron Tringale, J.B. Holmes, Will MacKenzie, Chesson Hadley, Kevin Chappell, Bryce Molder, Martin Flores, Ryo Ishikawa, Sean O'Hair.**