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Stuart Appleby (File  
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## **Aussie golf will only get better: Appleby**

World number 24 Stuart Appleby says he expects the quality of Australian golf to continue to improve in coming years.

Appleby is one of five Australians to have won tournaments on the US PGA Tour this year and he has confirmed that he will play in next month's Australian Open at Royal Sydney.

He said he was confident the next generation of local golfers would also win big tournaments overseas.

"We really have a bunch of growing players that have the potential to win majors," he said.

Appleby said Australian golfers were held in high regard in the United States, especially since Geoff Ogilvy's victory in the US Open last June.

"We are taken seriously in the States and you've seen by the number of wins over the last few years," he said.

"Now with Geoff winning the major, that could now open the gates in the next five or 10 years for a bunch more."

Appleby will be joined at the Australian Open by Ogilvy and defending champion Robert Allenby, as well as Adam Scott, Aaron Baddeley and Greg Norman.

The Open begins on November 13.