

## Harry Vardon - A Sporting Legend



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Few golfers could claim to be greater than Tiger Woods but one who could is Harry Vardon.

Harry Vardon, (1870-1937) is Jersey's most famous golfer and one of the island's greatest sporting heroes of all time. His triumphs included six Open Championships (1896, 1898, 1899, 1903, 1911, and 1914) a feat unmatched even by the greatest golfers today.

Harry is also famed for popularising the overlapping grip known worldwide as the 'Vardon' grip, still used by 70% of golfers.

The unique collection of Harry Vardon's most prestigious medals, including his six Open Championship medals are displayed at the Jersey Museum. Rare film footage of Harry Vardon at Muirfield towards the end of his career is held at the Jersey Archive.



*Harry Vardon's medal from the 1896 British Open at Muirfield.*



*Golf de Monte Carlo medal 21st April 1912*