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## ROE PARK RESORT

The Roe Park Resort, Limavady is located on the edge of the Roe Valley Country Park, and boasts an 18-hole parkland golf course and driving range. The resort is the ideal location to explore the stunning Northern Ireland coastline and its most popular attractions, with the resort located just 20 minutes from Benone Beach and close by to the Giant's Causeway.

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# WELCOME TO THE ALGARVE

The Algarve region of Portugal is known for all year round sunshine and beautiful, sandy beaches and of course stunning Golf.

When considering golf in the Algarve, it is key to note that it is the southernmost region of Portugal and the most western point of Europe so we again draw the reader's attention to its agreeable climate, perfect for golfing enthusiasts and challenging courses.

In Central Algarve, Quinta do Lago is nestled within the Algarve and the privacy and security of the Ria Formosa nature reserve. A clean & safe destination, here, world-class golf - including the €7 million upgraded South Course - surrounds award-winning real estate, sublime restaurants, a premier sports hub, boutique hotel and golden sand beach. Quinta do Lago has been at the forefront of international golf since its creation.

The San Lorenzo Golf Club in the Ria Formosa has won many prizes, rightly being nominated as one of the best courses in Europe.

Another success story is the Vila Sol - Beach, Golf & Country Club in Vilamoura which only eight months after it opened hosted the Portugal Open for two years running.

Also well-known to the world of golf is the Vale do Lobo, in Almancil, which has played host to the Portuguese Open and



the 'Skins Game'. The resort is the home of the two most difficult and stunning golf courses in Europe: the Ocean Golf Course and the Royal Golf Course, where the cliff top par three 16th hole is one of the world's most famous and most photographed settings for golf.

When deciding on accommodation in Quinta do Lago, consider Four Seasons Fairways, whose villas and luxury apartments blend Portuguese architecture with the landscape of its beautiful gardens.

Moving to the Western Algarve and framed by a valley that zigzags through steep slopes, the Golf Santo António at Parque da Floresta - is an impressive arena that has already been the stage for Europro Tour events.

Palmares Golf in Lagos is used to organising the Amendoeiras em Flor Tournament in February when the almond trees are covered in pink and white blossom. It makes for a very beautiful scenario.

Boavista Golf & Spa is one of the Western Algarve's premier resorts. With an exceptional 18-hole championship course it is one of the most beautifully manicured courses, bordered by properties all designed to harmonize with the land's natural contours. With two distinctive sections, Boavista course offers a variety of holes, the first nine climb to the highest point of the resort before descending steadily to water features, streams and lakes that finish at the clubhouse.

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## ROSEMARY TULLY : NEW GOLF IRELAND PRESIDENT

Carlow Golf Club member Rosemary Tully was appointed the new Golf Ireland President at the recent 2024 AGM. The fourth annual Golf Ireland AGM took place at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown, in Dublin. Tully was appointed President where she succeeded the outgoing Jim Long (Monkstown, Dooks), to become the second female president of the Governing Body for golf in Ireland.

Athlone's Michael Evans replaced her as the President-Elect and he will take over at the 2025 AGM. Sara O'Sullivan (Malone) and Paul Whelan (Castle) were elected as Nominated Directors, along with former Dublin footballer Tomás Quinn.

Speaking after the AGM, new Golf Ireland President Tully, spoke about her pride at taking over the role.

"I feel truly honoured and very privileged to accept the role of president of Golf Ireland, not only for myself, but also for Carlow Golf Club who are celebrating 125 years," said President Tully.

"My journey as a volunteer began in Carlow Golf Club and I want to thank them for their support over the years, particularly now as I assume this role.

"I want to thank the outgoing president, Jim, who spent his year on planes, trains and automobiles as he travelled both home and away. I also want to offer my congratulations to our new president-elect, Michael.

"And finally, the person who encouraged me to follow my journey from golf volunteer to the president of Golf Ireland, thanks to my husband Joe. He gave me the fullest support over the last 25 years - he made a wonderful achievement possible."

During the meeting, there was a presentation on sustainability from Golf Ireland's new Sustainability Manager, Ann Courtney.

Later, Leinster representative, Mary Farrell, was announced as the winner of the second Golf Ireland Club Volunteer of the Year at the AGM.

The Edenderry Golf Club member who has volunteered at the club since she retired from her role as a secondary school teacher, had been preparing herself for Easter Camps for their junior members that week.

"I am truly honoured to win the Golf Ireland Club Volunteer of the Year," said Farrell.

"The recognition that you can get from your club, first of all, and then from your governing body is unbelievable and very welcome for all volunteers and particularly the volunteers that work with me in Edenderry.

"I am very honoured and proud to bring that award home, it's still so very new and not too many other sports bodies do that."



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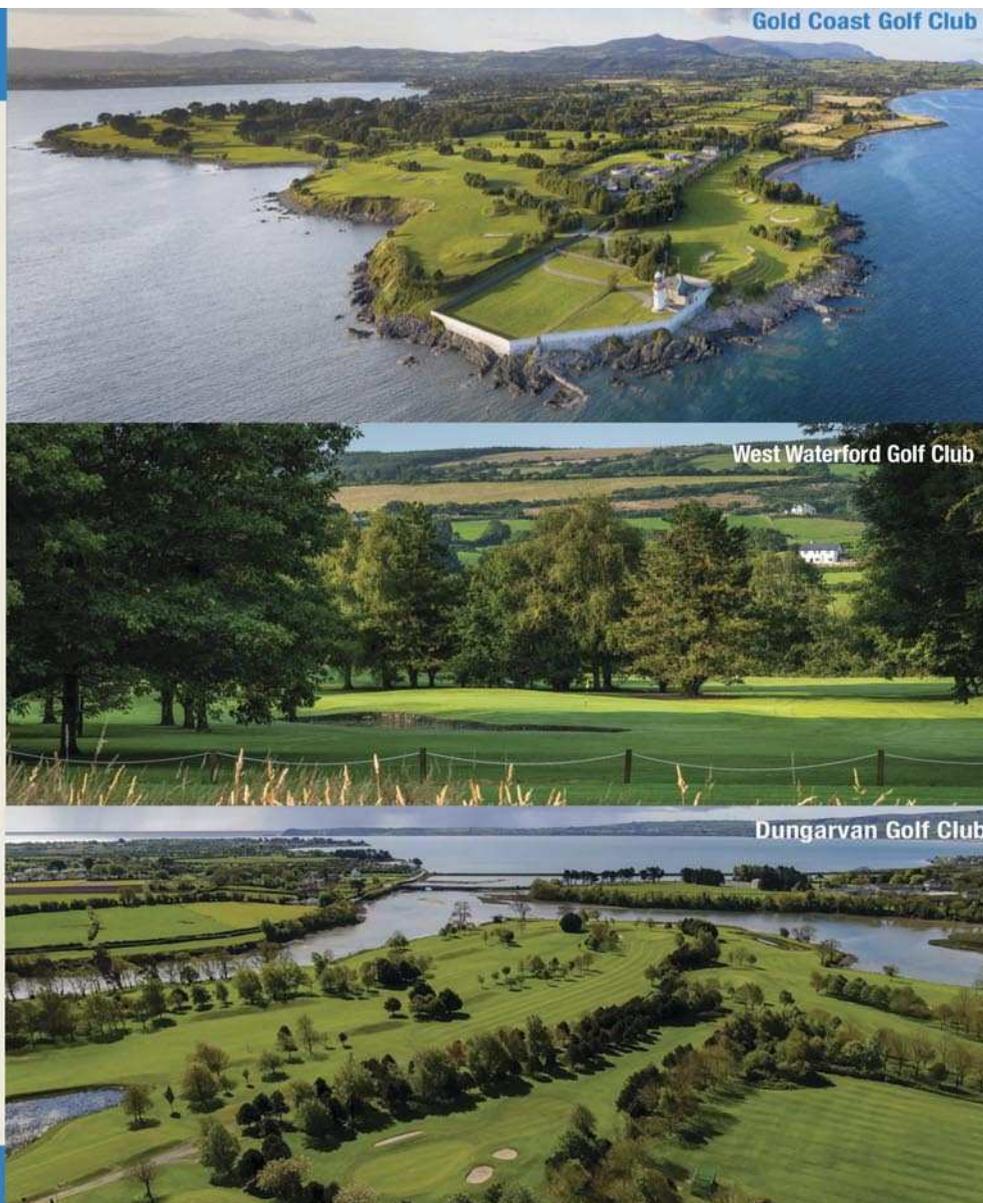
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# News

# KPMG LADIES IRISH OPEN

The KPMG Women's Irish Open is to take place in Carton House, Maynooth, Co. Kildare from 29 August until 1 September 2024.



The popular Ladies European Tour event will once again see Irish star, Leona Maguire, and a host of elite female golfers compete for a €400,000 prize fund on the iconic O'Meara course. Since its reincarnation in 2022, the KPMG Women's Irish Open has quickly become one of the most highly anticipated events in the Ladies European Tour with Leona Maguire and other star players insisting it has a major feel.

The 2023 KPMG Women's Irish Open was won by Danish Native, Smilla Tarning Sønderby claiming her first LET Tour victory, overcoming Anne Van Dam and Nicole Broch Estrup in a nail-biting three-way playoff before striving to glory.

The Championship venue in County Clare saw a record of over 31,000 people pass through the gates over the four days of the tournament. The crowds enjoyed

following the array of talent out on the course, whilst taking in the breath-taking surroundings of Dromoland Castle.

KPMG Ambassador Leona Maguire closed out the tournament with a one-under 71 to finish eight shots outside the play-off in a tie for 14th on eight-under. Leona birdied three of her first six holes, but chasing a round like Sønderby's, her race was run after she three-putted the eighth for bogey.

## About the O'Meara Parkland Course

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Palmerstown House Estate



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Measuring over 7,400 yards off the back tees, the course itself is a sublime parkland layout, featuring arguably the finest collection of par-5s on the island, and water coming into play on 12 of the 18 holes. The recently renovated par-3 10th, which previously featured the most extensive greenside bunkering to be found anywhere, is now an island green and every facet of the game will be tested over the three tournament rounds.

Defending champion and 2023 Irish PGA Order of Merit winner David Higgins will be looking to join the exalted company of Pádraig Harrington, Paul McGinley, Des Smyth, Philip Walton, Christy O'Connor Snr, Harry Bradshaw and Michael Moran as winners of the Championship on four or more occasions, but Simon Thornton and Damien McGrane are also each vying for their fourth Championship victory. They'll be joined by a cohort of young guns, each looking to make their mark and add their names to the glittering roll of honour of the Championship first contested in 1907.

The tournament is preceded by a Pro-Am on Tuesday August 6th with a Pro-Am dinner to follow in The Manor House at Palmerstown Estate, and the Championship itself will be contested over 54 holes from Wednesday August 7th to Friday August 9th.

Conor Dillon, Manager PGA Ireland, said: "After three wonderful years of staging the Irish PGA Championship at Carne Golf Links in Co. Mayo, we are looking forward to bringing our flagship event back east to The Palmerstown House Estate. The last time Palmerstown staged the event was in 2005, when Pádraig Harrington was victorious. I would like to thank the host PGA Professionals, Graham Byrne, Mick O'Shea and Mark Cribben for their desire in wanting to stage this very special event and also to the Comer Group for their support and vision in hosting the event."

For Palmerstown House, hosting the Championship is testament to the hard work done and improvements made to the course and infrastructure: "We are proud and delighted with the opportunity to host the 114th Irish PGA Championship here at Palmerstown House Estate. I am very confident in the recent and continued improvements to the golf course and facilities that Palmerstown is once again equipped to host a championship of

this stature. Our golf members and our team are looking forward to observing the challenge the golf course will provide, it will be a stern test for the leading golf professionals in the country," said Jerry Power, General Manager.

Director of Golf Graham Byrne is equally delighted with the opportunity: "This for me, is an honour and a privilege to have the Irish Championship return to Palmerstown House Estate. It is a culmination of tireless work from our team and amazing support from the owners/management that Palmerstown is back in a position to host such a pretigious event. I look forward to welcoming my fellow PGA professionals in August in what promises to be a great week".

For more on the Irish PGA Tour <https://www.pga.info/about-the-pga/regions-counties/the-pga-in-ireland/>

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# HARRINGTON AND POWER SET FOR AMGEN IRISH OPEN

Home favourites Pádraig Harrington and Séamus Power will tee it up in September when the island of Ireland's national open returns to Royal County Down later this year.

Pádraig Harrington



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**H**arrington and Power, both golf ambassadors for tournament Title Sponsor Amgen, will join Major Champions and Ryder Cup stars Rory McIlroy and Shane Lowry in the field at the world-renowned Newcastle venue, which will host the Irish Open for the second time in its history from September 12-15.

Tickets to see the aforementioned quartet and a host of fellow DP World Tour stars are available from £28 per day and the Premium Experience options are also available.

Three-time Major Champion Harrington will be making his 29th consecutive appearance in his home open, which he won at Adare Manor in 2007, while two-time PGA TOUR winner Power will be making his highly-anticipated return to the event after missing out through injury last year.

"My national Open is always a tournament I look forward to playing in, and I can't believe it has almost been 30 years since I made my first appearance," said Harrington. "My drive to compete is as strong as it has ever been, and I can't wait to take on the

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challenge of Royal County Down once again.

"There's always a weight of expectation with it being a home tournament, but it's a challenge that I relish. With the move to September, the event is in an exciting position in the golfing calendar and I'm eager to see what this year brings."

Power added: "I'm really excited for this year's Amgen Irish Open. It was disappointing to miss last year's event due to injury, so that has only added to the anticipation of playing at Royal County Down later this year.

"There's no greater feeling than playing in front of a home crowd, and it'll be a privilege playing alongside Pádraig, Rory, Shane and all of the guys when we make our return to the island of Ireland."

The Amgen Irish Open assumes a key position on the DP World Tour's 2024 Global Schedule as part of the 'Back 9'. The 'Back 9' encompasses some of the Tour's most historic tournaments and national opens and gives members their final opportunities to secure playing rights for 2025 and also advance to the season-ending 'DP World Tour Play-Offs'.

Last year, Sweden's Vincent Norrman claimed his second DP World Tour title as he carded a final round 65 at The K Club to win by one stroke, earning his second victory in the space of six worldwide starts.

First played in 1927, the Irish Open is one of the world's most celebrated national opens, with a glittering roll of honour which includes Seve Ballesteros, Nick Faldo, Rory McIlroy, Pádraig Harrington, Shane Lowry, Colin Montgomerie, José María Olazábal, Bernhard Langer and Sam Torrance.

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Dungarvan Golf Club is set against the backdrop of the Comeragh Mountains and runs adjacent to Dungarvan Bay. This Championship Parkland course has been architecturally designed with seven lakes and man made hazards strategically placed to test all levels of golfer.

At Gold Coast Golf Club you will find a scenic and challenging 18 hole golf course bordered by the Atlantic ocean with unrivalled panoramic views of Dungarvan Bay and the Comeragh Mountains. At 6,788 yards off the back tees, the course will present a real challenge for the discerning golfer wishing

“ “ **Dungarvan Golf Club, Gold Coast Golf Club and West Waterford Golf Club make up this three course golf triangle where you can play all three courses any day of the week for as little as €84** ” ”



West Waterford Golf Club

to test their skill in a magnificent and spectacular location.

The West Waterford Golf Club is built on 150 acres of rolling parkland on the banks of the Brickey river with the back-drop of the Comeragh Mountains to the east, the Knockmealdowns to the north and Drum Hills to the south. The Brickey river traverses the southern boundary which makes this a very challenging golf course.

Other than golf, the picturesque town of Dungarvan, the county town of Waterford has plenty to offer. Beautifully situated at the head of a broad bay which sweeps past spectacular cliff scenery to Helvic

head and the wild beauty of the Comeragh mountains, this thriving centre of activity has much to offer the visitor. Walking tours, an EU Blue flag beach, watersports, fishing, boat hire, horse riding facilities are all on your doorstep and easily organised. Eating out, whether for mid-day lunch, afternoon tea or a romantic candlelit dinner is made easy in any of the town's award-winning and fine restaurants. For night-life and your favourite pint, there are over fifty pubs to choose from.

A multi-plex cinema, trendy shopping stores, three hotels with leisure centres all afford the visitor plenty to choose from.

After a relaxing break and happy golfing

memories you'll reluctantly bid farewell, longing to return to this haven in the sunny South East.

Dungarvan is home to the Waterford Greenway, a spectacular 46km off-road cycling and walking trail which travels through time and nature across eleven bridges, three viaducts and through the atmospheric tunnel all the way from the river to the sea from stunning Dungarvan all the way to the quays of Ireland's oldest city - Waterford.

[www.visitwaterfordgreenway.com](http://www.visitwaterfordgreenway.com)



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:**

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[www.dungarvangolfclub.com](http://www.dungarvangolfclub.com)

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[www.goldcoastgolfclub.com](http://www.goldcoastgolfclub.com)

**West Waterford Golf Club**  
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Gold Coast Golf Club

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PGA Catalunya



## Introduction

Marbella is the golf capital of Europe. It is located on the Costa del Sol, near Malaga, an area with numerous prestigious courses. In general, the south of Andalucia is highly appreciated by golf enthusiasts and there are many well-known clubs around Malaga and on the Costa de Luz (in Cadiz and Huelva). The Costa Brava area (in Catalonia), the Costa Cálida (in the Region of Murcia) and the Region of Valencia also have interesting options, in addition to the Canary and Balearic Islands.

## Selection of Airports

The locations of the main golf areas are perfect if you want to organise a short trip, because they are close to airports with numerous international connections. Malaga, Alicante, Barcelona, Girona and Madrid airports are very close to major golf courses and make it possible to plan a getaway from almost any country in Europe.

## Selected courses

Golf East Mallorca is a wonderful golf destination on Mallorca's East Coast. The area offers great golf courses and unique holiday accommodations with outstanding

“ Golf Costa Adeje was designed by renowned golf architect Jose Gancedo, who used the natural features of the land (the original banana plantations) to integrate them into the course ”

culinary and cultural experiences. Enjoy Pula Golf Resort, Club de Golf Son Servera, Club de Golf Alcanada, and Capdepera Golf which was designed by famous US golf architect Dan Maples.

At Club de Golf Son Servera all parts of the course give fine views of the pine clad mountains. Pula Golf Resort has a magnificent outdoor swimming pool and sauna, as well as a massage service to relax after a day of golf.

Real Club de Golf El Prat near Barcelona is regarded as one of the finest golf clubs in Spain, having hosted more than 250 top-level national and international championships, including the Spanish Open on 10 occasions.

Club de Golf Alcanada in Majorca is located in the northern extreme of the largest Balearic Island, in the Alcudia Bay. Almost all of its 18 holes provide a spectacular lighthouse and sea view. Here you will appreciate every swing and feel challenged, regardless of your handicap.

Golf Costa Adeje was designed by renowned golf architect Jose Gancedo, who used the natural features of the land (the original banana plantations) to integrate them into the course. The colonial-style clubhouse with its spacious terraces creates a luxurious and functional environment. The facilities are ideal for hosting large tournaments or other types of events and celebrations. Just 3 minutes away is a complex of 78 exclusive villas in different Canarian architectural styles.

Set amidst the rolling contours and pine forests of Catalunya, PGA Catalunya is synonymous with tournament quality golf courses, luxury accommodation, and a range of beautifully designed villas, townhouses and apartments. Whether you're looking for contemporary lifestyle, first-class sports facilities or a chance to get away from it all — the resort has something to inspire you.

La Manga Club is a sports and leisure resort located in the south-eastern region of Spain, Murcia, south of La Manga, and bordered by the Mar Menor and Calblanque Regional Park.

Finca Cortesin located in the heart of the Spanish Costa del Sol between Marbella and Sotogrande and overlooking the warm Mediterranean is a place where nature gently vanishes into the deep blue sea.

This impressive resort is located in one of the most peaceful and upcoming areas of the Mediterranean coast in the municipality of the picturesque village of Casares, just 1.5km from the beach and within easy access, by motorway to the international airports of Málaga and Gibraltar. Set on a 215-hectare estate, 150 of which is designated green belt area, the development centres around 5 extensive areas: Hotel, Golf, Spa and Sports Club, Beach Club and Residential Area.

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- **And - New for 2024 - Mount Juliet !!**

### How to Enter:

- 3Ts invite GI Clubs to enter a 4-person team in the 2024 3Ts Golf Tournament.
- To qualify, each club must hold two 3Ts Club Competitions, one for men & one for ladies. Entrants in the Club competitions pay only €10. Winners then join the club's Men's & Ladies' Captains to form a 4-person team to compete in one of the three finals.
- Entry packs have been issued to GI Clubs, so check with your Secretary Manager or Competition Secretary to ensure your club holds its Club Competitions and enters a team.
- **Closing date for team entries is 28 August 2024. So, clubs have all Summer to hold Club Competitions. Time to get planning now!**

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### Enter Your Club and Support 3Ts Suicide Prevention Activities

- 3Ts is a registered charity. Participating clubs support 3Ts work to raise awareness of issues of suicide & mental health and of the supports that are available for anyone in crisis. The sums raised by clubs through Club Competitions help fund 3Ts activities, including valuable research, suicide alertness training, information provision & awareness raising.
- 3Ts latest research in collaboration with Trinity College has helped inform the National Clinical Care Programme for Suicide & Self-Harm and their website [www.3ts.ie](http://www.3ts.ie) is a valuable source of information & resources on suicide & a range of mental health topics. The charity works with third level colleges on awareness raising activities and delivers free suicide alertness training to interested groups, businesses, organisations & clubs - including Golf Clubs.

**If you'd like to organise training for your club members or staff, or if you'd like to learn more about 3Ts work, email [info@3ts.ie](mailto:info@3ts.ie) or visit [www.3ts.ie](http://www.3ts.ie)**

### Entry Fees Only €10

It's hard to believe that 3Ts have kept their entry fees at €10 per person for the past 15 years despite inevitable increased costs during that time. But **the purpose of the competition has always been to raise awareness as well as fundraising. So, the charity needs each participating club to encourage as many golfers as possible to enter their Club Competition.** Every €10 raised helps to raise awareness of the issue of suicide, the work of the 3Ts, and also helps to make 3Ts Golf Tournament one of the most enjoyable competitions on the golfing calendar for golfers of all standards. 3Ts does not receive any state funding, so the support of the golfing community through the Annual 3Ts Golf Tournament is vital to their work. So make sure the tournament is on your Club's fixture list and have some fun for a good cause.

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# GOLF COSTA ADEJE

The Preferred Course for Irish Golfers During Their Holidays



**G**olf Costa Adeje has managed to position itself one more year as the favourite course for European golfers to enjoy a golf break during their holidays. Of course, this includes Irish golfers, who have also shown their preference for this course.

Costa Adeje course, which, in addition to enjoying a good climate and a truly luxurious landscape, is strategically located in the best tourist area of Tenerife, surrounded by the best beaches, hotels, restaurants and leisure areas of the whole island.

Golf Costa Adeje, offers an 18-hole, par 72, a proper Championship Course. No wonder it has been the venue of important tournaments, ranging from the Open de España in 2003, to the most recent tournaments of the European Tour circuit in 2021.

## What does Golf Costa Adeje have to offer?

In addition to a course in magnificent condition, there is still much more to discover.

The golfers playing this course during the Summer season also have the opportunity to enjoy a **Gastronomic Experience**, by booking the “**Summer Special Offer**”. What that includes, is to play 18 holes Greenfee, with Buggy and Lunch. There is nothing better after playing 18 holes than enjoying an excellent lunch in the terrace of the restaurant, from where you will be able to enjoy magnificent views of the course, as well as the putting green and the beautiful island of La Gomera.

This same experience is also available during the middle season months of April and October.



Of course, non-golfing partners are also welcome!

For those who only want to play 9 holes, at **Los Lagos** Course, Golf Costa Adeje offers the possibility to play in a more relaxed atmosphere. This is a fun course, surrounded by 6 small lakes, where water becomes the main and focal point. Nevertheless, the experience of the Los Lagos golf course does not end here, but goes even further. During the Summer afternoons, this course offers the practice of **Footgolf**. The combination of football and golf has become very trendy in recent years. The facilities of Costa Adeje also stand out here as its **Los Lagos** course will be the venue for the Spanish Championship of this sport during this summer.

If you have not tried it before, this Summer could be a great opportunity to enjoy a new experience. It will certainly be worth it, as on this course you can enjoy golf during the summer, in a more relaxed and familiar atmosphere.



**Find out more at:**

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# WELCOME TO THE ALGARVE

The Algarve region of Portugal is known for all year round sunshine and beautiful, sandy beaches and of course stunning Golf.

Boavista Golf & Spa



When considering golf in the Algarve, it is key to note that it is the southernmost region of Portugal and the most western point of Europe so we again draw the reader's attention to its agreeable climate, perfect for golfing enthusiasts and challenging courses.

## CENTRAL ALGARVE

Quinta do Lago is nestled within the Algarve and the privacy and security of the Ria Formosa nature reserve. A clean & safe destination, here, world-class golf - including the €7 million upgraded South Course - surrounds award-winning real estate, sublime restaurants, a premier sports hub, boutique hotel and golden sand beach. Quinta do Lago has been at the forefront of international golf since its creation.

The San Lorenzo Golf Club in the Ria Formosa has won many prizes, rightly being nominated as one of the best courses in Europe.

Another success story is the Vila Sol - Beach, Golf & Country Club in Vilamoura which only eight months after it opened hosted the Portugal Open for two years running.

Also well-known to the world of golf is the Vale do Lobo, in Almancil, which has played host to the Portuguese Open and the 'Skins Game'. The resort is the home of the two most difficult and stunning golf courses in Europe: the Ocean Golf Course and the Royal Golf Course, where the cliff top par three 16th hole is one of the world's most famous and most photographed settings for golf.

When deciding on accommodation in Quinta do Lago, consider Four Seasons Fairways, whose villas and luxury apartments blend Portuguese architecture with the landscape of its beautiful gardens.

## WESTERN ALGARVE

Framed by a valley that zigzags through steep slopes, the Golf Santo António at Parque da Floresta - is an impressive arena that has already been the stage for Europro Tour events.

Palmares Golf in Lagos is used to organising the Amendoeiras em Flor Tournament in February when the almond trees are covered in pink and white blossom. It makes for a very beautiful scenario.

Boavista Golf & Spa is one of the Western Algarve's premier resorts. With an exceptional 18-hole championship course it is one of the most beautifully manicured courses, bordered by properties all designed to harmonize with the land's natural contours. With two distinctive sections, Boavista course offers a variety of holes, the first nine climb to the highest point of the resort before descending steadily to water features, streams and lakes that finish at the clubhouse.

The challenging 18-hole, par 72 course at Espiche Golf, in Lagos, has been designed to

complement the distinctive Western Algarve landscape by embracing a sustainable and eco-friendly ethos. The lakes, streams and indigenous planting scheme work to enrich the local biodiversity, while creating a unique golfing game and environment for golfers in the Algarve.

The Le Meridien Penina Golf & Resort, in Portimão is a centre with an excellent course, which has won prizes many times as one of the finest in Europe. Penina was the first 18-hole course opened in the Algarve and has benefited considerably from sensible and wise updating over the past fifty years or so.

In Lagoa, the magnificent Quinta do Gramacho course at Carvoeiro, designed by Ronald Fream, hosts the Algarve Ladies Open, a tournament that forms part of the Ladies European

Quinta do Lago



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Tour. In Albufeira the Salgados Golf Club combines lakes, waterfalls and rolling sand dunes.

The Pestana Golf Resort is superbly located on a level plateau, close to the picturesque fishing village of Carvoeiro, just a few minutes away from the most beautiful beaches in the Algarve and less than three hours away by plane from the main European capitals. Discover the world-class courses: Gramacho, Vale da Pinta, Silves Golf, Alto Golf and Vila Sol. The resort offers a secure and family environment.

### EASTERN ALGARVE

One of the many attractions to golf tourism in the Algarve is the proximity of the Faro international airport and especially at the eastern end of the one hundred kilometre stretch.

Benamor Golf in Tavira has been introduced into an area where golf is starting to emerge as a leisure destination without spoiling its existing character and countryside. The views of the mountains to the North and the Atlantic Ocean to the South are stunning.

Located in the heart of the Parque Natural de Ria Formosa (Formosa Estuary National Park), the Quinta da Ria and Quinta de Cima courses, in Vila Nova de Cacela, are among the most beautiful of the region.

The Quinta da Ria now hosts the prestigious Europro Tour and the Quinta de Cima, the Algarve Seniors Tour, a competition that forms part of PGA European Senior Tour.

Also in this town, at the Monte Rei Golf & Country Club, you are surrounded by a stunning landscape and immersed in total tranquillity.

At Castro Marim, the Castro Marim Golfe and Country Club and the Quinta do Vale Golf Resort provide a thrilling challenge within a natural environment, unique for its panoramic views of the Guadiana River.

### VILAMOURA

Few will dispute that there is any region of its size anywhere in the world to measure up to the amazing quality of golf available at Vilamoura. And it's no surprise that it continues to attract major professional and amateur tournaments – much to the delight of players, officials, spectators and media.

The accommodation, the restaurants and bars, the marina, the value, the weather and above all the courses, what golfer could ask for more?

Occupying a privileged location in Portugal, Vilamoura is regarded as a unique European golfing venue. With five 18-hole courses, each of outstanding design and with different levels of difficulty, as well as an elite Golf Academy, Vilamoura tests the skill of professional players to the utmost and provides an exciting challenge for golfing enthusiasts.

The Old Course is one of the most well-known and acclaimed courses in Europe, its exacting fairways demanding precision owing to the forests of umbrella pine which surround them.

The Pinhal Golf Course, flanked by a magnificent pine forest, has small greens that require the highest degree of accuracy.

The Laguna Golf Course is an open course, embellished by waterfalls and the Millenium Golf Course, one of the most beautiful courses built in Portugal, combine to form an 18-hole course.

When it comes to considering accommodation with easy access to golf and Algarve beaches, Hilton Vilamoura As Cascatas Golf Resort & Spa is well-recommended. Set amid five acres of landscaped gardens, the resort is adjacent to the prestigious Dom Pedro Pinhal Golf Course. Central Vilamoura is a kilometre from the door, and a free shuttle covers Vilamoura Marina and Falesia private beach. Also included is the prestigious 7 Seven Spa, the second largest of its kind in Europe where relaxing and tranquility are first and foremost.

In the heart of the Algarve you will find Vilamoura Garden Hotel. This boutique 4-star hotel is the perfect accommodation choice for those looking to experience the beaches, nature, hospitality and golf in southern Portugal. Located just a 12-minute walk from the beach and in close proximity to some of the best golf courses in Europe there is plenty to explore.

For further information on Golf in the Algarve [www.algarve-tourist.com](http://www.algarve-tourist.com)

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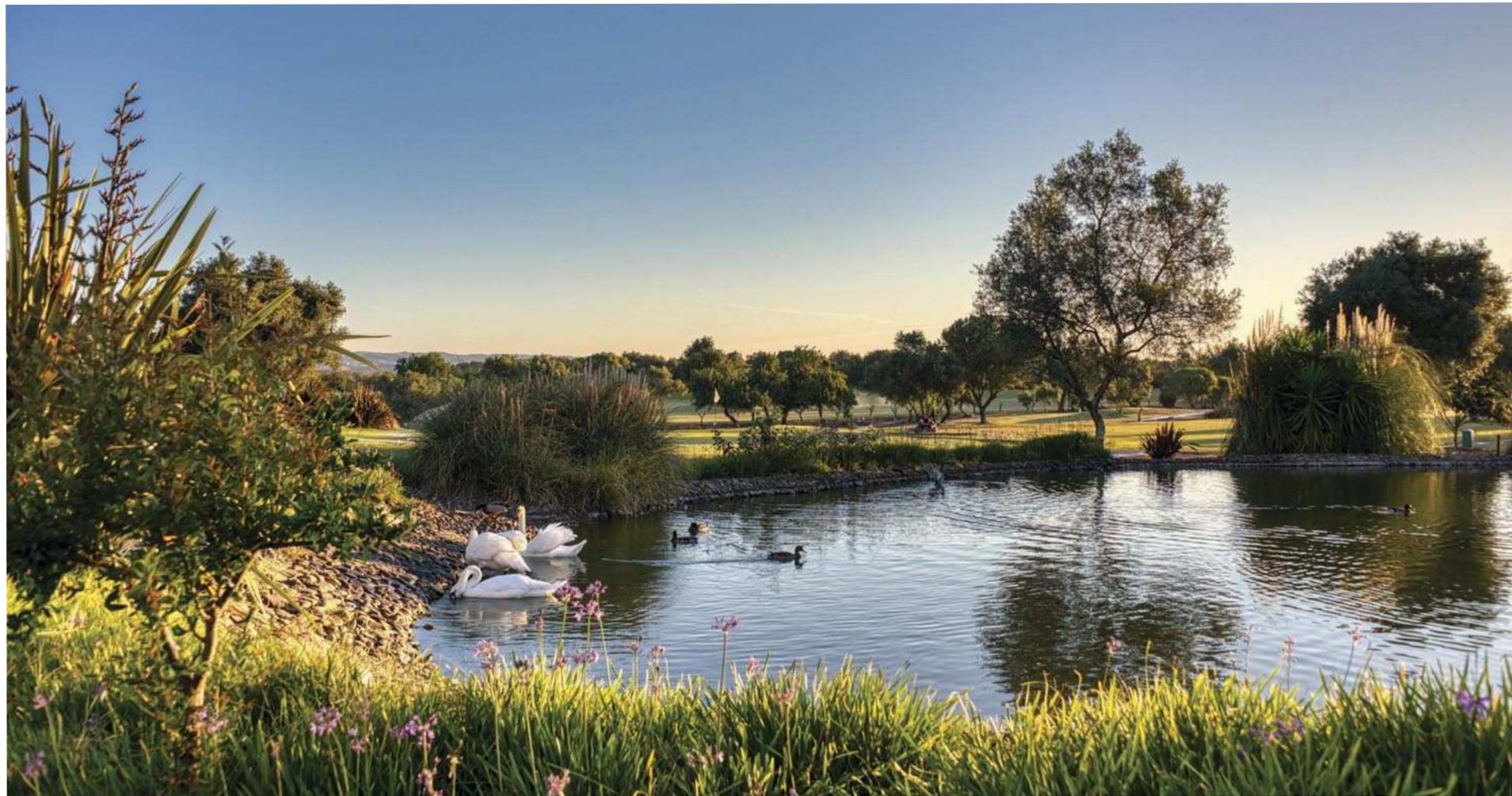
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If you have already decided, book now and take advantage of the early booking offer!



# BENAMOR GOLF

Benamor Golf is a superb 18-hole golf course located in the South of Portugal, Algarve, just a few kilometres east of the ancient city of Tavira.



The golf course was completed in the spring of 2000. In the nearby foothills of Barrocal, you will enjoy some of the best mountain and sea views the Algarve has to offer. But maybe most enjoyable of all, are the peaceful surroundings of a construction free resort. Possibly the only one in the Algarve.

Sir Henry Cotton designed the golf course, and our friendly staff is here to guarantee an enjoyable golfing experience for you and your friends.

The decision to build a golf course, on the land of Quinta de Benamor, in Tavira, Algarve, was made in 1986. The owning Martins Dias family invited the late Sir Henry Cotton to make a concept design for an 18-hole course. Sir Henry Cotton was inspired by the beautiful old church next to the site of the Clubhouse and by the spectacular location.

The final result is a delightful par 71 golf course of 5,500 metres (6,100 yards), which offers a pleasant playing experience, to players of all standards. The course is undulating but not hilly. The views of the mountains to the North and the Atlantic Ocean to the South are stunning. The indigenous olive, cork, carob, fig and almond trees, many centuries old, feature aesthetically and in playing terms. Water hazards and sand bunkers are located to test the strategy and striking ability of the player. The Penn A4 greens and tees are simply superb.



The fairways of Bermuda Sahara and cool-season grasses, provide good lies for wood and iron shots.

The Driving Range, Putting Green and large Putting Course offer excellent practice facilities.

Our vision is to achieve an image of quality in the European market, and our mission is to offer a high standard of service in order to provide excellent golfing moments to our clients and guests.

The Benamor golf course offers several spaces for visitors. A Clubhouse with a reception and golf shop, bar, restaurant, caddy master and changing rooms and a driving range, two putting courses and a Buggy bar.

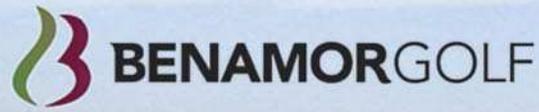
We also have our professional available for lessons and golf clinics throughout the year.

For further information visit [www.benamorgolf.com](http://www.benamorgolf.com)

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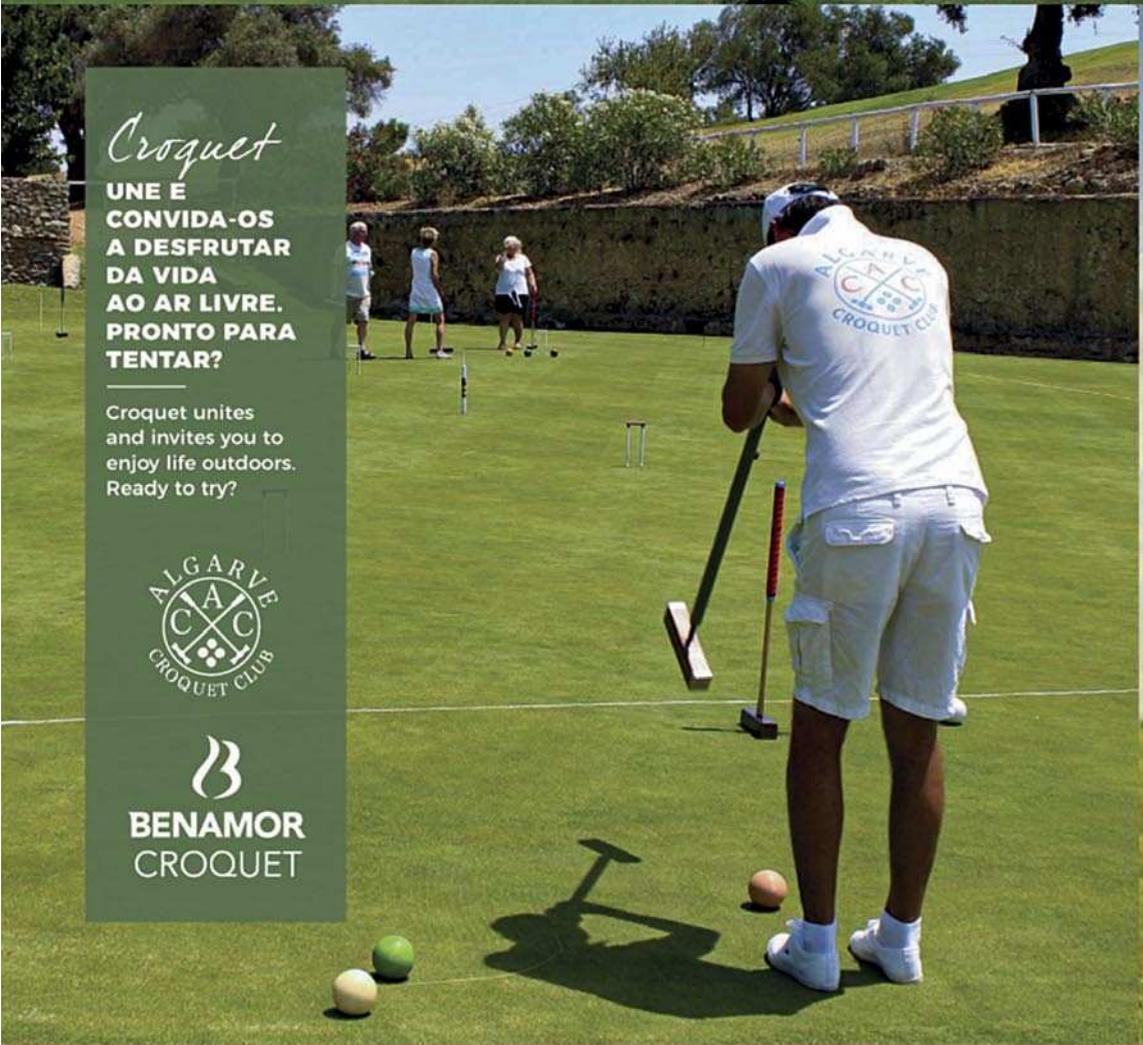
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O seu campo de golfe no Algarve

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# BOAVISTA GOLF & SPA

Boavista Golf & Spa offers year-round activities for those who wish to participate.



Positioned strategically to the west of the historic town of Lagos in Portugal, Boavista Golf & Spa nestles within a site of outstanding natural beauty and offers residents and visitors the essence of luxury living. One of the most beautifully manicured golf courses in the Algarve, the Resort enjoys far reaching views of the Monchique mountains to the north, whilst the pristine waters of the Atlantic Ocean provide a radiant seascape to the south.

Opened in 2002, the Boavista Golf course designed by Howard Swan, presents itself as a challenging course for players of all levels, particularly holes 6 and 8 where golfers have to hit the ball over a ravine.

The design of the course took into account the natural contours of the terrain and subtly took advantage of the surrounding landscape, providing views of rare beauty.

At the top of the hill the Clubhouse restaurant overlooking the city of Lagos, with two spacious terraces, is the perfect place to enjoy the views of the beautiful bay of Lagos. Here you can appreciate a relaxing sunset and chill out with a drink, try many snacks or taste the menu which covers both international and local cuisine with options for all.

Whether you prefer to have a challenging workout at the gym, a sauna or steam, spoil yourself with a day of beauty, or just relax by the pool, Essential has you covered. Cliff top location at Boavista Golf & Spa, with the backdrop the glorious Atlantic, you can enjoy striking panoramic views from the warm waters of our indoor swimming pool or jacuzzi.

While you go the distance on one of our elliptical machines, or sculpt your body with a state-of-the-art Technogym equipment, you can keep your eye on the ball on the 18th green.

Bela Colina Village's luxury accommodation affords magnificent views of either the pristine waters of the Atlantic Ocean or the rolling Monchique mountains. Furnished to a high standard, each townhouse provides 2 double bedrooms and living areas that cater for all needs. Guests have direct access to pools and leisure areas which are set in private landscaped gardens amongst palm, olive and almond trees.

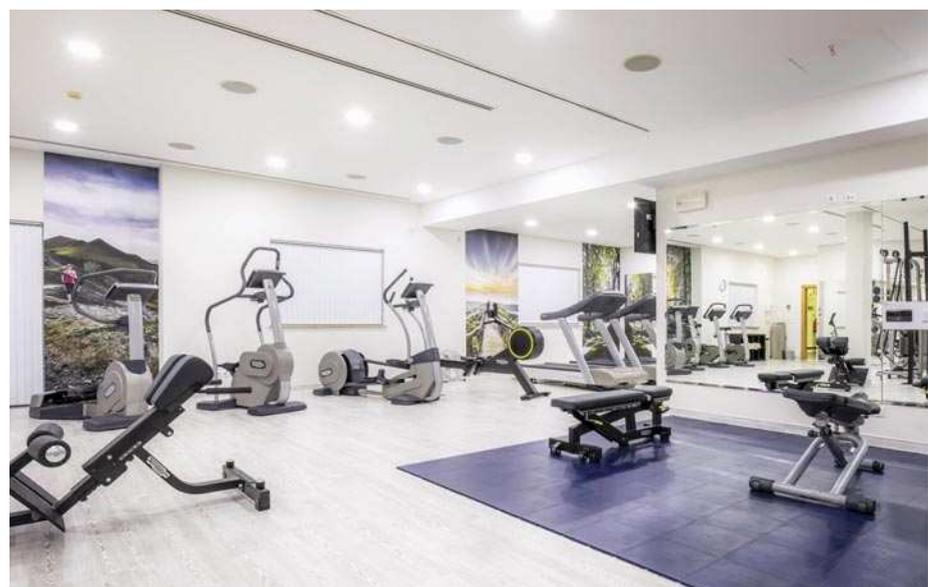
Set in the five-star Bela Colina Village, La Bistro restaurant serves a rich and varied buffet breakfast to suit all tastes. At La Bistro you can try our delicious homemade pizzas as well as a selection of snacks and refreshing drinks. Sit out on the terrace open to the lawn, perfect for the little ones to play as you enjoy a meal. Take away service is also available.

Whether one is looking for an active holiday, a base from which to explore the area or simply to relax, Boavista Golf & Spa will exceed all expectations.

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# ESPICHE GOLF: UNIQUE GOLFING EXPERIENCE IN THE WEST ALGARVE



The Western Algarve has long enjoyed a reputation for offering a more authentic taste of Portugal than the central region.

**A**lthough requiring a slightly longer drive from Faro airport, the Western Algarve is easily reachable thanks to the A22 motorway which runs the length of the coast, making Lagos and its golf courses within an hour's drive from the airport.

Located just a few minutes from the coast and the city of Lagos, in the picturesque and less touristic "barlavento" Algarve, Espiche Golf is a golf course that combines sport with contemplation and respect for the surrounding nature, taking advantage of being located in a nature reserve.

Espiche Golf provides an exceptional golfing experience in a beautiful natural environment. The architect Peter Sauerman designed the shape of the course to integrate harmoniously with the surrounding landscape, and with its maintenance a great concern is taken for preserving the natural ecosystem and unique reserve. Espiche Golf offers a challenging 18-hole course, par 72. Its lakes, streams and indigenous vegetation enrich and promote the biodiversity of this area and the exceptional view, surrounded by fields and vineyards, lurking on the horizon of the beautiful Serra de Monchique.

The course was the vision of Peter Thornton, a musician in the 70's and his friend Paul Langley, a property developer from London. From the start they could see the possibilities the land had to offer. Espiche Golf has given the local community an elegant, warm, friendly and sociable active hub with its award-winning clubhouse, restaurant and the

surrounding golf course that appears as if it has always been there, constructed by the hand of nature over time.

The greens and fairways of Espiche Golf course have been carefully placed to balance the dual demands of the golfer and the environment, with indigenous planting throughout creating a beautiful backdrop and some challenging obstacles.

The course requires careful thought along the 5862 metres (6411) yards from the back tees and a deft touch on the short game. Bunkers guard most greens whilst the greens themselves are large and undulating, requiring a soft hand with the putter. This is a shot-maker's course, where each hole poses a new challenge thanks to the variety of the layout. Golfers are pushed to take risks with their game with rich rewards for those who make the most of their golfing skills and who best judge the course.

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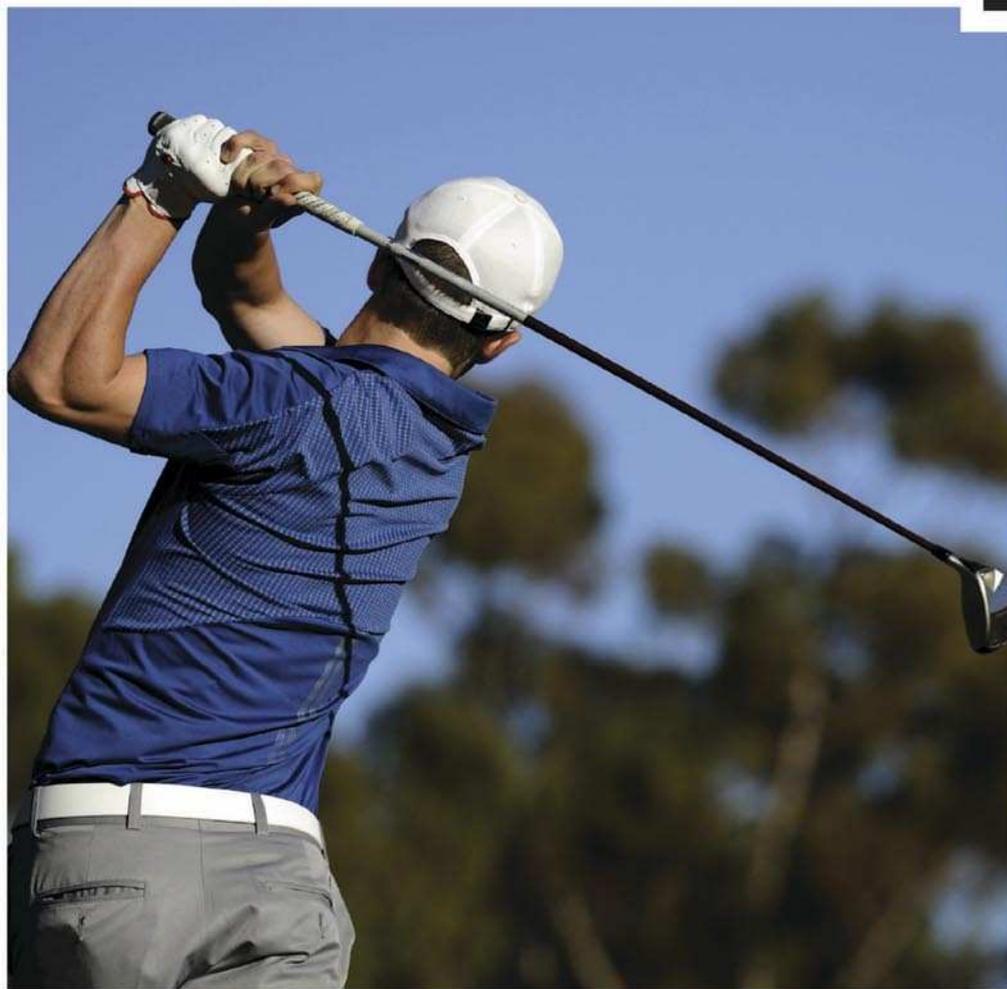
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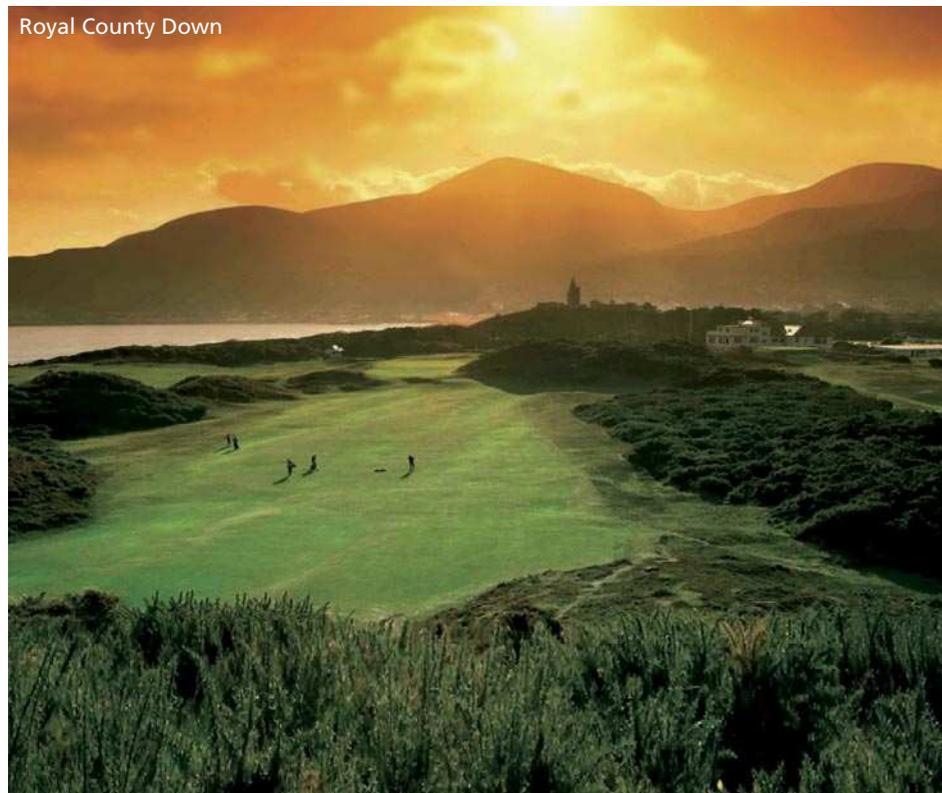
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In the land of the mythic Giant's Causeway, the Royal Portrush Golf Club joins the top ranked Irish courses in the World and hosted The Open Championship in 2019. The club is located on the world famous Causeway Coast in Co Antrim. Founded in 1888, it has two championship courses – the renowned Dunluce Course and the smaller, but equally enjoyable Valley Course.

Portstewart Golf Club hosted the Dubai Duty Free Irish Open in 2017. Founded in 1894 and re-designed by Willie Park Jnr in the 1920's this championship links course received its greatest makeover with the purchase of land known as "Thistly Hollow" in 1986. This enabled the club to build a stunning new seven holes through towering dunes and fabulous and natural links land. Designed by Des Giffin the Strand Course is the jewel in the Portstewart portfolio.

Hilton Belfast Templepatrick Golf & Country Club is home to one of the country's finest courses. Designed by the winner of many European pro tournaments, David Jones, in consultation with David Feherty, one of Northern Ireland's most successful golfers, the course makes full use of the spectacular scenery, including streams, rivers and mature trees.

Roe Park Resort has 155 acres of scenic parkland, an 18-hole golf course and a luxury spa. The City of Derry Airport is a 15-minute drive away. The beautiful bedrooms at Roe Park each have a cosy seating area. Many rooms have views of Benevenagh Mountain, and all feature a TV, work desk and free internet access. The impressive Roe Spa offers indulgent treatments and therapies, and features a swimming pool, spa bath and sauna.

In the Mourne County where Royal County Down Golf Club is among some of the most breathtaking golf courses in the world. Situated south of Belfast on the edge of Dundrum Bay and set against the backdrop of the Mourne Mountains, the club has two links courses, including the Championship links, which is rated among the Top 10 courses in the world and has hosted many great events including The Walker Cup.

Ards and North Down is steeped in golfing history and first class courses.

It was Rory McIlroy himself who declared Northern Ireland, "the golfing capital of the world". With six major wins, Rory victorious in four, collected by golfers from these shores over the past few years who could argue! Courses designed by names such as H.S. Colt, James Braid and Peter Alliss sum up the quality on offer. The Royal Belfast, Bangor, Clondeboye, Kirkistown Castle and Rory's own club, Holywood, have all been awarded the "Quality Assurance" stamp by Tourism Northern Ireland.

In County Fermanagh, Lough Erne is a 5 Star Golf Resort making it one of the finest in Northern Ireland. Lough Erne Resort is home to two Championship Golf Courses – The Faldo Course and Castle Hume Golf Course.

In the Breffni County of Cavan is the stunning Radisson Farnham Estate parkland course which is spread over 500 acres of rolling countryside and dense woodland. The two nines are quite contrasting in nature. Also, County Cavan Golf Club which is one of the oldest and most mature parkland courses in Ireland and presents the golfer with a challenging and unforgettable experience.

Ardee Golf Club in County Louth, has become one of the premier golfing destinations in Ireland's North East. Situated in the centre of Co. Louth and only 5 miles west of the M1 Dublin-Belfast motorway (junction 14), it is only 45 minutes from Dublin city, making it very accessible from both north and south.

Set on an elevated site above the seaside village of Blackrock, Co Louth, the parkland course at Dundalk Golf Club offers magnificent panoramic views across Dundalk Bay to the legendary and imposing Cooley and Mourne mountains.

Moving to the Midlands East Region and the Royal County of Meath, home to Killeen Castle, proudly hosts the magnificent Jack Nicklaus signature course which is spaciouly rambling over 350 acres among superb natural woodlands.

Royal Tara Golf Club is nestled at the foot of the Historic Hill of Tara and is among Ireland's most enjoyable and conveniently located golfing retreats. Reputably, it is recognised as one of the finest inland members Golf complexes and renowned for its welcome to visitors. With 27-holes in mature parkland the main features of Royal Tara are the avenue of trees that each golfer must negotiate to come in with a decent score.

Headfort Golf Club in Kells has gained quite a reputation for itself as a premium Golfing destination in Ireland. This is thanks to its wonderful contrast of experience with Old and New Courses offering 36-holes of Golfers paradise and key location being only 90 minutes from Belfast. The Headfort Arms Hotel focuses on its rich tradition of personal Irish service, familiar faces & its reputation of fine food. Relax by the open fire or stroll in the beautiful garden after a day exploring the richest heritage Ireland has to offer in the Boyne Valley.

Also, Black Bush Golf Club with 27 holes of a well drained parkland course, who are open most of the year for play. They also have three interchangeable 9-hole courses that keep things moving. Black Bush Golf Club is situated only minutes from Fairyhouse Racecourse. Mature trees leading up to well maintained greens line the fairways.

Moving to County Kildare and the world-renowned K Club which is home to the Smurfit and Palmer courses. Designed by Arnold Palmer, The Palmer Ryder Cup Course and The Palmer Smurfit Course are considered two of Europe's finest Championship Courses. The K Club played host to the 2016 Irish Open.

Craddockstown Golf Club is a golfing jewel waiting to be explored. Situated on the outskirts of Naas and five miles from the K Club, they are nestled between Punchestown, the Curragh and Naas Race courses.

The 7,419 yard Palmerstown House Estate's Course presents players with feelings of tradition, excellence and quality. Golfers of all skill levels will find enjoyment and challenge on their well-designed 18-hole championship course. This challenging course is set amidst thousands of mature trees that boast a variety of colour throughout all four seasons, and each hole has its own individual charm.

Into County Westmeath where golfing at Glasson Golf Club is an experience not to be missed. Glasson Golf Club has justifiably earned an international reputation as one of the most challenging and scenic golf courses in Ireland. Designed by Ryder Cup star, the late Christy O'Connor Jnr., no matter what your level of golf expertise, the course is cleverly crafted so you can tee off for a relaxing round while soaking up the Glasson atmosphere, or test your game to championship level. Enjoy a luxury overnight stay at Glasson Lakehouse.

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Athlone Golf Club is situated in the centre of Ireland, in the beautiful Hodson Bay area. It offers a unique opportunity to play on what is regarded as one of the most picturesque golf courses in Ireland. The course is remarkably wet weather tolerant, due to the underlying Esker, which makes it a delight to play all year round.

Tullamore Golf Club is a mature 18-hole parkland championship course situated on the outskirts of Tullamore, County Offaly. Located here since 1926, the James Braid course was re-designed in 1995 by Patrick Merrigan. The result is a magnificent course which is enjoyed by members and visitors alike.

Next stop is County Wicklow and Old Conna Golf Club which was designed by Ireland's renowned golf course designer Eddie Hackett. This beautiful parkland course located only twelve miles south of Dublin, combines panoramic sea-scapes and mountain views with exceptional wooded terrain.

Also, Tulfarris Golf Club, part of Tulfarris Hotel & Golf Resort, designed by the celebrated golf architect, Patrick J. Merrigan. The 18-hole championship golf course blends the natural landscape with inspired features to create a challenging golfing layout.

Bray Golf Club, is a magnificent USGA-standard parkland course, situated between Bray Head and the Sugar Loaf Mountain with magnificent views of Killiney Bay and the Wicklow Mountains. Described as "spectacular in every aspect", Bray combines stunning scenery with a classic layout.

While in Wicklow, a visit to Powerscourt Golf Club in Enniskerry is a must. The East course was designed by David McLay Kidd whose portfolio also includes the acclaimed Bandon Dunes in Oregon. Like the East, the West course offers a variety of challenging holes presenting a fresh perspective on the stunning scenery of the Powerscourt Estate.

Not to be missed when in the 'Garden of Ireland' is Arklow Golf Club which was formed in 1927. Since the very beginning, the club has extended a warm welcome to all its visitors from at home and overseas and will ensure your visit is much more than a round of golf.

Moving into the Capital, Dublin, which is populated with superb parkland courses and testing links courses, offering every type of challenge, suitable for both the novice and experienced golfer.

Howth Golf Club, which is an 18-hole, Par 72 heathland course, located on the beautiful scenic peninsula of Howth in North-East County Dublin, and features wonderful views over the city of Dublin, South to Dun Laoghaire, Bray and Co. Wicklow, North over Co. Dublin and Co. Louth and the Sea to the East.

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Malahide Golf Club is a real gem of a Parkland Course, where Society Golfers and Visitors are both warmly welcomed, with many returning year after year. 2017 saw the club celebrating its 125th Year as well as the reopening of the Blue Nine following a development by the renowned golf architect Martin Hawtree. Why not experience the 'Magic of Malahide' for yourself and book a round.

Situated on the shoreline of a rugged peninsula, St. Margaret's Golf & Country Club is one of Ireland's premier championship parkland courses. Previously home to the Ladies Irish Open, the Seniors Irish Open and the Irish PGA Championship, the 18 holes offer golfers a wonderful variety.

The golf course at Luttrellstown Castle is a spectacular course which was designed by Tom MacKenzie and Donald Steel (whose work includes Turnberry, St Andrews and Royal St Georges), close to Dublin city and a short drive from the airport. This Par 73 is firmly established as one of Ireland's premium courses. It has a superb club-house, two excellent restaurants, a driving range, a short game area and a 3-hole short course designed to sharpen the wedge game.

Rathfarnham Golf Club, founded in 1899, is set in the rolling foothills of the Dublin Mountains. The course offers challenging but fair golf to Members, visitors and societies. With a beautifully appointed clubhouse, views over the course, mountains and the city, and within easy reach of the M50, Rathfarnham Golf Club will provide you with a relaxing and friendly environment in which to enjoy your golf.

Grange Castle Golf Club founded in 1998 was designed by Patrick F. Merrigan. This 18 hole championship course is regarded as one of the finest public golf courses in Ireland. Measuring 6,800 yards from the blue tees and 6,450 yards from the white tees, the golf course is ideally set up to suit golfers of all levels.

Moving into the South West which is renowned for its spectacular beauty and its golf courses which have utilized the natural landscape to create a combination of links and traditional parkland courses offering the visiting golfer both choice and challenge.

Fota Island Golf Resort in Carrigtwohill is a fine example, where the splendid woodlands are woven into a challenging Par 71 championship course. A 5 Star Hotel and Luxury Spa are also available.

Also, Cork Golf Club. Founded in 1888 and re-designed in 1927 by Alister Mackenzie, this well renowned championship parkland course is as graceful and mature as its age would suggest.

A visit to Cork would not be complete without a round of golf at the Old Head Links of Kinsale. The Old Head Golf Links is built on a 220-acre diamond of land. The promontory is almost an island with numerous caves running beneath your feet as you play the course.

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Like Cork, County Kerry has a wealth of excellent golf courses on offer including the Ring of Kerry Golf Club located in Kenmare and also Waterville Golf Links; a mature links course where champions of the British Open are known to practice.

One of the oldest Irish clubs, rated among the top 5 in Ireland and the top 20 links courses in the world, Waterville's Golf Links course is highly acclaimed, both nationally and internationally, and by a host of some of the world's leading professionals. A combination of sand dunes, gorse and native grasses, from teeing ground to putting green this 18-hole course reflects the rugged charm of the Irish West. Also, the Waterville House is highly recommended for all your accommodation requirements.

Close by in Killarney where the natural lakeside courses at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club are uniquely designed to offer a variety of challenges to the golfer. Sample its three courses Mahony's Point, Lackabane and Killeen all built to modern specifications with sand-based greens and tree-lined, undulating fairways.

Travelling further north is Ballybunion Golf Course, where the fine links of the Old and Cashen courses are bordered by the Atlantic Ocean and overlook the mouth of the Shannon Estuary amidst the most beautiful of scenery.

While visiting the Kingdom of Kerry, Tralee Golf Club is not to be missed. Built by Arnold Palmer, this stunning setting represents a true paradise for those willing to challenge what is widely acclaimed as one of the finest links courses in Ireland.

Nestled on the edge of Ireland's dramatic south-west coastline, Dingle Golf Links is a very special place to visit and is an ideal location for your golfing holiday in Kerry.

Moving to County Limerick which is just a short distance north from Kerry and home to some of the top courses this side of the Shannon.

Adare Manor Golf Club, an 18-hole parkland golf course provides an historic Irish golfing experience. The Desmond Castle (dates back to 1200 AD) is a magnificent backdrop to the 1st and 15th greens, while the ruins of the Franciscan Abbey (1464 AD) dominate the centre of the course.

The Adare Manor Hotel and Golf Resort owned by JP McManus is a five-star luxury experience. The golf course which will host the 2027 Ryder Cup is one of Ireland's finest parklands.

Newcastle West Golf Club is a unique golf course, featuring strategic bunkering, water hazards, many groves of trees, and well-designed risk and reward holes. The course is playable all year round, and is maintained to the highest standards, with the widely acknowledged best greens in Munster.

The course at Limerick Golf Club is a mix of demanding holes interspersed with some good birdie chances, notably the tenth and the short fifteenth. The long eight is an outstanding hole, with a stream meandering its way through it, coming into play for all shots to a severely sloping green.

In keeping with its neighbouring counties County Clare can also lay claim to some of the most challenging and spectacular golf courses in the Mid West region.

One such course is found at Dromoland Castle Golf & Country Club, which is one of the finest 5 star hotels in Ireland and has a golf course to equal the splendour of the setting. Also, The Inn at Dromoland is recommended and which combines high levels of service, sumptuous dining and new renovated rooms and facilities.

Lahinch Golf Club is a world-renowned links golf course. Founded in 1892 it has often been described as the "St. Andrew's" of Ireland. Lahinch is actually two 18 hole courses, the Old Course, is between the road and the sea, and situated at the opposite side of the road from the Old Course is the Castle Course. The Castle Course is a flatter links named after the ruins of a nearby castle tower that stands to the north of the course.

Moving to the South-East, a golfer's paradise with courses to suit all tastes and skills. Starting in Waterford, Gold Coast Golf Resort welcomes visitors and societies to its parkland by the sea. The 18-hole championship course offers wonderful views of Dungarvan Bay.

Dungarvan Golf Club is a class 18 hole Championship Parkland course located outside the town of Dungarvan, County Waterford. The course is adjacent to Dungarvan Bay and set against the backdrop of the Comeragh mountains.

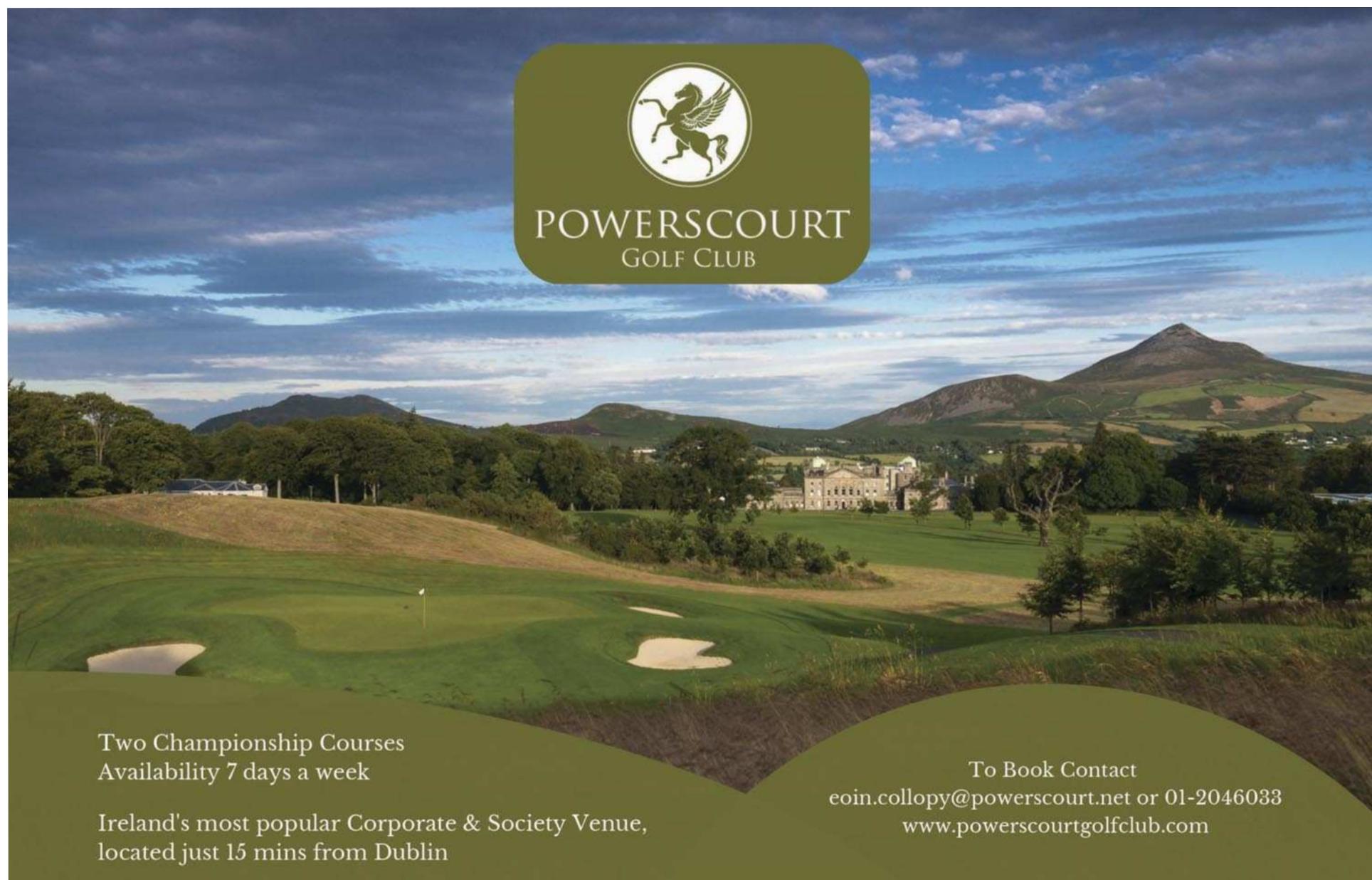
West Waterford Golf and Country Club designed by the late Eddie Hackett is an 18-hole par 72 championship golf course situated 4km west of Dungarvan. The club is maintained in excellent condition offering superb playability throughout the year. Societies and Visitors are warmly welcomed.

Ireland's only true island golf course surrounded by the River Suir, accessed by complimentary car ferry is Waterford Castle Golf Club which enjoys idyllic seclusion located minutes from Waterford city centre, 90 mins from Dublin and Cork. The 18-hole par 72 Des Smyth designed course, located on the 310-acre private island is ranked in the top 30 parkland courses in Ireland. The Waterford Castle Hotel & Golf Resort is a truly stunning 5 Star experience and a must visit in Ireland's South East.

Waterford Golf Club was founded in 1912 and overlooks the historic city of Waterford. With its magnificent views, this 18-hole parkland course, Par 71, is a gem. The irregular city, with its towers and steeples spread before the eye along the valley, and in the west, Slievenamon and the Comeragh Mountains, make a background of enduring splendor.

Nearby Tramore is a small but charming seaside village twenty minutes from Waterford city. Tramore Golf Club, an 18-hole parkland course is situated on the outskirts of Tramore and offers visitors a superb gently undulating course and top notch facilities including a pro shop, club bar and restaurant.

Dunmore East Golf Club overlooks the village of Dunmore East, County Waterford in the South East of Ireland. With panoramic views of the village, the bay, the Hook Peninsula,





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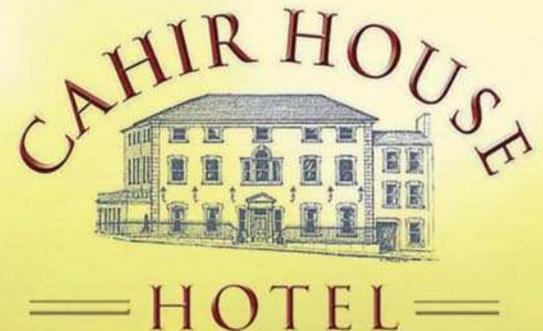
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Waterford Harbour estuary, the Saltee Islands and the Irish Sea, this seaside parkland course offers idyllic surroundings, fresh clean sea air, combined with stimulating and challenging golf.

Also, Faithlegg Golf Course, which was designed by the late Patrick Merrigan and includes undulating greens, water hazards and perfectly placed sand traps, all of which, complete and heighten the challenge.

Like Waterford, Wexford has a selection to suit everyone. On the outskirts of Wexford Town stands Wexford Golf Club, an 18-hole parkland course situated on the slopes of Mulgannon Hill and offering stunning views of the harbour.

Established in 1905, New Ross Golf Club is a mature parkland golf course situated between the scenic Barrow and Nore valleys with the magnificent Brandon and Blackstairs mountains providing the backdrop.

Bunclody Golf and Fishing Club is situated in 300 acres of breathtaking parklands in the former Hall-Dare Estate on the Carlow Wexford border. Opened in 2009, it is ranked in the top 21 parkland courses in Ireland and was voted 'The Best Hidden Gem in Ireland'. Designed by Jeff Howes, the Championship course runs over 7000 yards on the banks of the river Slaney and has a diversity of golf holes, rarely seen on one golf course.

Stretching along the curve of Rosslare Bay is Rosslare fishing village. Here Rosslare Golf Links boasts a spectacular landscape standing on a narrow peninsula with the Irish sea on one side and Wexford harbour on the other. Two courses are on offer at this club including an 18-hole championship course and a 12-hole layout known as the Burrow Course that opened in 1992.

While in Wexford, visit St. Helen's Bay Golf Resort, a club steeped in history and boasting a challenging course with spectacular views over the Irish Sea.

For accommodation, The Ashdown Park Hotel is tastefully designed and highly-recommended for your golfing visit to the South-East. Enjoy the food on offer all day or just relax with regular live entertainment. Facilities include conference & banqueting facilities, the award-winning Rowan Tree Restaurant, Ivy & Coach Bars, Leisure Club & Beauty Studio and complimentary car park. All public areas are wheelchair friendly.

Kilkenny Golf Club offers a warm atmosphere on its championship golf course and welcomes individuals, societies and groups. It is a course worth visiting in 2024 when making your plans into the South East.

Mount Juliet Golf Club is set on lush parkland 20 minutes from Kilkenny. Designed by Jack Nicklaus, Mount Juliet golf course first opened in 1991 with a friendly match between Jack Nicklaus and the late Christy O'Connor Snr. Set in a world of its own, on lush parkland in the south east of Ireland, the course is both captivating and memorable.

Rathsallagh Golf & Country Club is a Championship Course measuring close to 7,000 yards with a par of 72. Set on 270 acres of rolling parkland. The course is remarkable for the number, position and maturity of the trees on the course and the definition they give on approach to the excellent U.S.G.A. specified greens. The bunkering has been described as some of the best in Ireland, both in terms of construction and intelligent placement.

Carlow is an in-land town offering visitors an exciting array of activities from exhilarating outdoor pursuits, vibrant shopping to spectacular golf courses.

The Mount Wolseley Hotel Spa and Golf Resort is situated in the tranquil countryside of County Carlow, just one hour from Dublin City. Carlow Golf Club itself boasts two courses: with the Championship 18-hole Deerpark course and the 9-hole (Par 35) Oakpark Course which opened in 2002.

In County Tipperary and within a peaceful countryside location, the 4-star Great National Ballykisteon Golf Hotel offers spacious accommodation and superb facilities, including a leisure centre, spa and golf course. The 18-hole championship golf course provides a challenge for all levels of leisure golfers.

Also, Tipperary Golf Club overlooking the stunning Glen of Aherlow is one of the finest parkland courses in the region. Membership is open and Society and Groups are also welcome.

Clonmel Golf Club founded in 1911 is one of the oldest clubs in the province of Munster. A rolling parkland course designed by the renowned Eddie Hackett, it is a mature 18-hole par

71 course measuring 6,366 yards. The ladies course measures 5,445 yards, par 74. Set in the foothills of the Comeragh Mountains with magnificent views across the valley of the River Suir and the rolling Waterford and Tipperary countryside.

Cahir Park Golf Club is situated half a mile from Cahir town. The 18-hole golf course is divided in two by the River Suir and displays mature trees, lakes and streams. Stay in the Cahir House Hotel in the centre of the heritage town and experience simple old world charm and elegance.

Heading to the West coast into County Galway, you should consider Galway Bay Golf Resort. Other options to consider while in Galway include Glenlo Abbey, Gort, Loughrea, Tuam, Galway Golf Club, and Connemara Golf Links to name but a few.

Tuam Golf Club is one of the premier parkland courses in the West of Ireland. The club was founded in 1904 and includes a magnificent clubhouse facility, incorporating bar, restaurant, private visitor area, games room, professional shop and changing rooms. Visitors are always welcome to Tuam Golf Club.

From the golfing novice to the aficionado, Glenlo Abbey Golf Course offers a unique and challenging experience. With the many lakes, trees, large greens, and the wind whipping from Lough Corrib, it plays differently every day. This is a 9-hole parkland golf course originally designed by Christy O'Connor Jnr and a must visit when in Galway.

Into Sligo, and the links land jewel in the crown is Co Sligo Golf Club at Rosses Point about six miles from the town of Sligo. Created towards the end of the 19th century on glorious golfing territory between majestic Ben Bulbin on one side and the Atlantic Ocean on the other, it is renowned for its scenery, the demanding but fair nature of its challenge and superb golfing atmosphere.

And this is by no means the only top-class links course in Co Sligo. Enniscrone Golf Links, affords panoramic views of Killala Bay, Barra Island and sandy beaches with Nephin and the Ox Mountains forming the backdrop.

Castle Dargan Golf Resort is home to one of the premier parkland golf courses in the North West of Ireland. Making the most of the natural ebb and flow of the Sligo estates grounds, Darren Clarke course designer has woven eighteen beautiful golf holes through majestic trees, natural lakes, burns and around the ancient stone walls and ruins which dominate this romantic landscape.

Moving to Strandhill golf course which contains 5,804m of undulating fairways & unforgiving shortcuts, and a promise of an unforgettable experience by all who play it. The par 70 course is challenging but rewarding!

To County Mayo where you will find Ballina, Westport and Castlebar Golf Clubs. Also recommended is Carne Golf Links in North Mayo which lies in magnificent unspoiled sand dunes overlooking Blacksod Bay and the wild Atlantic. Carne is an 18-hole, par 72 and was the last links course designed by the late Eddie Hackett.

Further North into Donegal where outstanding golfing venues trip easily off the tongue. While in Donegal you should consider Donegal Golf Club at Murvagh, which is an outstanding links golf course. Designed by the legendary course architect, Eddie Hackett, it is continually featured in Golf World's Top 100 courses in Ireland.

The Abbey Hotel Donegal is renowned for its unique setting and idyllic views, situated in the centre of the beautiful and historic coastal town of Donegal, located on the banks of Donegal Bay. Surrounded by the extraordinary beauty of churches, castles, shops and monuments, the Abbey Hotel is an ideal starting point for family, leisure and business travellers. Located near beautiful coastal drives and signature discovery points, the Abbey Hotel is ideally situated for planning your golf visit to the North West.

Also the stunning links of Portsalon where golf has been played since the 1880's. Originally designed by Thompson of Portrush, the layout has evolved over the decades with significant changes being undertaken under the guidance of Pat Ruddy in 2000. Portsalon continues to progress, with the 2014 Ryder Cup captain, Paul McGinley, guiding further improvements.

Bundoran Golf Club is a challenging par 70, which sweeps along the rugged and picturesque Donegal Bay coastline with a mixture of dunes and undulating terrain making up the 18 holes.

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# ROE PARK RESORT

The Roe Park Resort, Limavady is located on the edge of the Roe Valley Country Park, and boasts an 18-hole parkland golf course and driving range.



**T**he hotel is renowned as one of Northern Ireland's Premier Golf and Spa Resorts, equipped with 118 guest rooms and luxury suites, two self-catering properties, a luxurious spa and health club with gym, pool, sauna and jacuzzi, as well as a cosy bar, and superb restaurant.

The Roe Park Resort is the ideal location to explore the stunning Northern Ireland coastline and its most popular attractions, with the resort located just 20 minutes from Benone Beach and close by to the Giant's Causeway.

The North Coast is world-renowned for its golf courses and the Roe Park Resort is perfectly placed for those intending to enjoy the nearby famous links courses.

Beyond the resort's highly acclaimed golf course, a first-class clubhouse is surrounded by excellent facilities including a recently upgraded Indoor Studio featuring the latest Trackman 4 Launch Monitor technology, allowing for a fantastic coaching and custom fitting experience. The Indoor Studio is also available for Simulator Play, with over 160 world class courses available for virtual golf for up to 4 golfers at a time.

The Roe Park Resort Golf Training Academy offers private or group lessons with PGA accredited professionals for golfers looking to improve their game. The Academy at the Roe Park Resort is a Northern Ireland-based centre of excellence designed to provide the best possible facilities to help golfers improve their game, whether you are an absolute beginner or more advanced.

The facilities at the Academy include an 18-bay driving range, golf shop, short game area and putting green, chipping, and bunker area.

Michael McCrudden, Golf Pro at the Roe Park Golf Course said, "We look forward to welcoming even more guests to the resort this year. The success of the Roe Park Golf Course and Golf Academy is a direct result of the emphasis that has been placed on our investments in the world-class facilities available at the resort.

"As well as our superb golf course and the powerhouse technologies that we have available in the Golf Academy, our proximity to the picturesque North Coast is a key factor in the success of the resort, as we are near to some of Ireland's most renowned links courses."

The resort launched a £1.7 million investment programme last year, which included the recent expansion of its weddings and events space, the Danny Boy Suite. As part of the

development programme, the hotel has also invested in the refurbishment of bedrooms and upgrading the hotel's technologies, as well as investing in state-of-the-art solar panels, making it one of a few hotels in Northern Ireland that will be powered with renewable energy.

The four-star Roe Park Resort in Limavady has also recently announced a £720K sustainability strategy investment, as it becomes a member of Green Tourism and works towards a target of net zero by 2050.

The resort has two superb restaurants, the Coach House Brasserie and The Courtyard. With an extensive menu on offer throughout the day, The Coach House Brasserie is the perfect location for a spot of lunch, a relaxed evening meal or a family occasion. The restaurant, which has views over the green, has been sympathetically restored in 18th Century Coach House style, adding to the traditional charm of the resort.

With its relaxing atmosphere and live music every Friday and Saturday night, O'Cahan's bar is the perfect spot if you are in the mood for an early evening cocktail or a nightcap.

Roe Park Resort's award-winning spa, offers a wide range of luxurious beauty therapies and treatment packages across 4 brands, including Elemis, OTO CBD Wellbeing, Natural Spa Factory & Made for Life Organics which caters for any client at any stage of their medical journey as well as those with limiting health issues.

As an official training academy for Elemis, the Roe Park Resort has invested heavily in modernising its Spa treatment facilities to offer visitors technologically advanced beauty and skin care treatments. The Spa also has a sauna, steam suite, heated pool and gymnasium for guests to enjoy some well-deserved indulgence.

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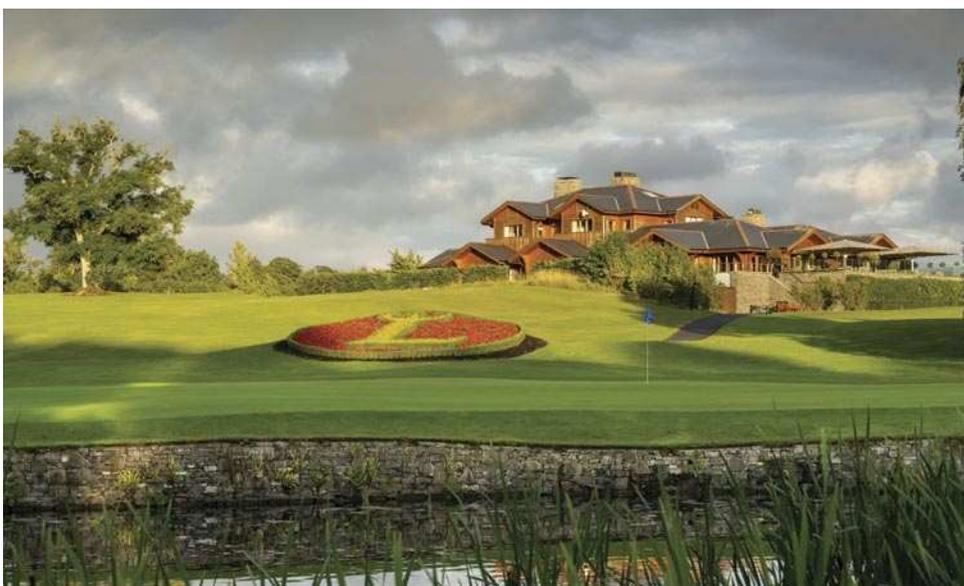
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# ST HELEN'S BAY GOLF RESORT

In 2023 St Helen's Bay Golf Resort celebrated its 30th Anniversary. We had a very good golfing season despite the poor weather conditions throughout the summer followed by a lot of rain in the autumn and winter.



**O**ur greenkeeping staff: Kevin Carroll Head Green Keeper, Christopher Hayes Assistant Head Green Keeper, Aidan Furlong and Martin Furlong Greenkeepers, did sterling work to maintain excellent course conditions throughout the golfing season.

As with all Golf Courses the past few years have been challenging but a positive trend is certainly returning to the golfing industry. At St. Helen's Bay Golf Resort we are committed to our community, and providing affordable and relevant Golf Memberships is our priority for 2024. We want our members to enjoy competitive rounds, a challenging course, quality facilities, friendly atmosphere and value for money. Please call for more information.

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## GET INTO GOLF PROGRAMME

This year St. Helen's Bay Golf Club ran a Women's Get into Golf programme which was a Golf Ireland initiative designed specifically to introduce women to the game of golf. It was an 8-week programme which included four 1-hour weekly group tuition sessions with a PGA professional and four 2-hour weekly sessions of on-course tuition and practise with club mentors. On completion of the programme, participants were offered a reduced 6-month membership and almost 20 of the women joined the club. It is anticipated that most of the new members will continue into 2024 where a much reduced 12-month membership is being offered to participants in this programme. St. Helen's Bay are delighted to welcome so many new women to the club.

## PGA TANKARD WINNER EILEEN WALSH

The PGA Tankard competition is run annually by the PGA where over 10,000 participants nationally take part. It is a three-stage competition where the club winner of the PGA tankard competition for both men and women go on to play in a second round competition with those qualifying from that round going on to play in the final. This year's PGA Tankard final was held in the K Club on 2nd October and the overall ladies winner was St. Helen's Bay's Eileen Walsh, who beat a strong field of competitors to take the title. Very well done Eileen – we're all very proud of you!

The Clubhouse Seaview Lounge at St. Helen's boasts one of the most impressive views in Ireland. The area enjoys a sunny climate where relaxation is the main theme enjoyed by all. 2024 we are introducing a new exciting menu – everyone welcome.

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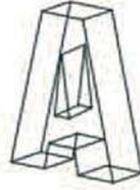
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# Golf Travel News

## LA HACIENDA LINKS UNVEILS HEATHLAND COURSE UPGRADE

Golfers can look forward to an elevated five-star experience at La Hacienda Links Golf Resort from 2024 with the luxury 36-hole Spanish resort having completed a significant upgrade of its popular Heathland course.



Photo: James Hogg

Fresh from undertaking a full renovation of its Links course – named ‘Best Golf Course in Spain’ at the 2023 World Golf Awards – the acclaimed resort in Andalucia has unveiled a series of improvements to its second 18-hole championship layout as the countdown continues to the opening of a new Fairmont hotel.

As well as carrying out redesign work to enhance the original design by Dave Thomas, with the 13th hole now playing as a par-four and the 18th converted to a par-five with a repositioned new tee, other upgrades include the levelling of the first and 11th fairways to improve the playability of the Heathland course and significant landscaping work taking place from holes two to five and the tenth, 17th and 18th with the planting of mastic trees.

In addition, the greenkeeping team at La Hacienda has installed solar panels on the eighth hole, cleaned and refurbished the lakes and bridges on the eighth and ninth holes, and reseeded a number of fairways with grasses that are more sustainable and better suited to the region’s climate.

Javier Jimenez Casquet, director general at La Hacienda Links Golf Resort, said: “Having undertaken a major recent renovation of the Links course, it was very

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important that we made improvements to the Heathland course to bring it up to the standard of the other facilities at the resort.

“Some of the changes that we have made were much needed, including moving the tee back on the 18th hole to create a challenging par-five that matches the quality of the rest of the course. Using the best sustainable practices, we now have two outstanding courses that complement each other perfectly, and this is the ideal way to launch an exciting year for the resort as we build towards the opening of our new Fairmont hotel.”

The upgrade of the Heathland course is the latest in a series of major investments that La Hacienda Links Golf Resort has made in an ongoing redevelopment project that has seen the venue establish itself as one of the rising stars of European golf.

Located in the Cadiz municipality of San Roque close to Sotogrande, the resort’s Links course runs along the beachfront with spectacular views of the Mediterranean, Gibraltar and Africa, and has been one of the biggest course renovation projects to be undertaken in Europe in recent years.

As part of the major transformation project to reconfigure and redesign the layout, American architect Kurtis Bowman was appointed to improve the hole layouts, conditioning, scenery and sustainability outcomes. Work undertaken included the remodelling of all tees, greens complexes and bunkers, and the redesign of several holes.

In addition La Hacienda has undertaken a series of other upgrades to its golf and leisure amenities including the renovation of its clubhouse, the launch of a new website and the opening of a new halfway house for players on the Links course, while the resort is preparing to launch a new Fairmont hotel and villas in the near future – underlining the resort’s ambition to become one of the most exclusive and luxurious golf developments in Spain.

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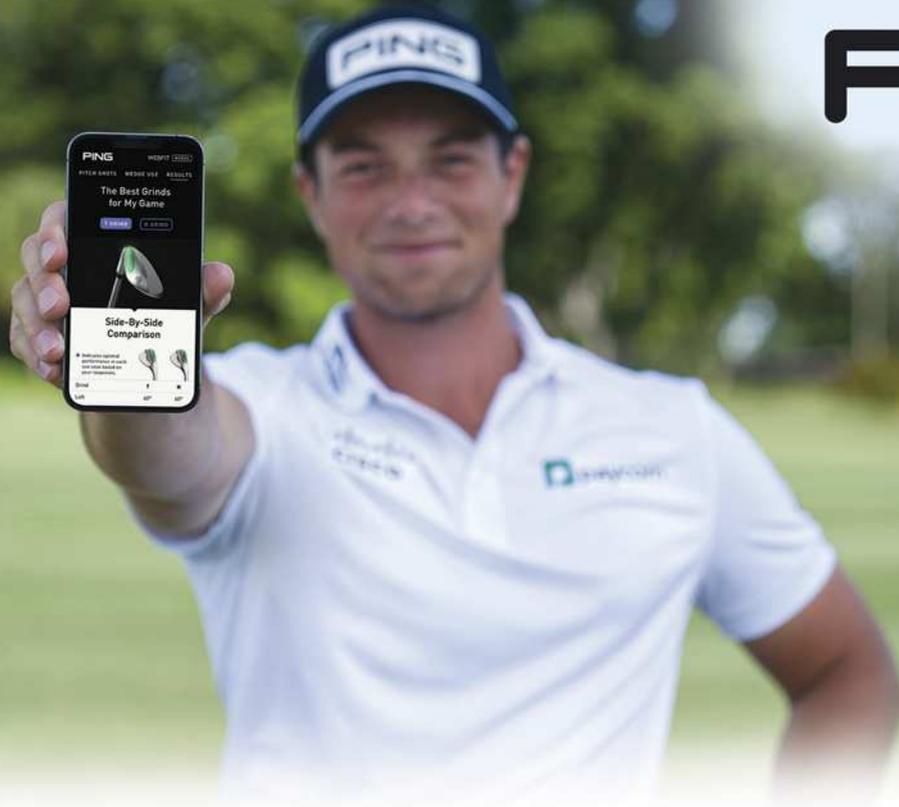
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