The Palm Beaches: Florida's Golf Capital®

Discover Florida's Golf Capital® in The Palm Beaches. Golfers of all ability levels have 160 public and private courses to tee off. Many of these courses include the United States' most acclaimed golf resorts, pro-designed executive and championship courses, leading PGA-sanctioned tournaments as well as being a haven for some of the world’s most famous golfers such as Rory McIlroy, Jack Nicklaus and Lee Westwood. The Professional Golf Association of America (PGA) also calls The Palm Beaches home, hosting two of the world’s most highly anticipated tournaments in the destination - The Allianz Championship www.allianzchampionship.com and The Honda Classic www.thehondaclassic.com.

Golf Resorts

The Palm Beaches have a long history of golfing vacations, beginning with Florida’s first course at The Breakers Palm Beach. Its Ocean Golf Course was first laid out in 1896 by Alexander H. Findley. Today, the destination is home to some of the United States’ premier resorts featuring the best in golfing experiences. These include:

The Breakers® Palm Beach
The Breakers Palm Beach is an American icon, boasting two championship courses. Its historic onsite par-70 Ocean Course is meticulously designed to entice and challenge golfers of all handicaps. Restored to highlight its historic roots and provide a vintage feel for golfers, its 6,167 yards demand precision. Guests may also be transferred to The Breakers Rees Jones® Course 10 miles off property. After a recent refurbishment, it has become one of the premier golf experiences in the southeast United States, reflecting the incomparable new-classic style of eminent golf course architect Rees Jones. www.thebreakers.com

The Boca Raton Resort & Club
Golf at Boca Raton Resort & Club, a Waldorf Astoria Resort, dates back to the 1920s when PGA professionals Sam Snead and Tommy Amour held positions on staff. This exclusive golf resort allows guests to enjoy two 18-hole championship courses. The renovated 18-hole Resort Course will debut on December 1, 2016 and the renovation, which, began in April 2016, has restored the course’s classical beauty and playability while modernizing the golf experience in order to appeal to the game’s ever-changing demographic. The par 72 Country Club Course is 6,714 yards, 141 slope boasting a signature 18th-hole island green. Guests of Boca Raton Resort & Club, a Waldorf Astoria Resort, are treated to True Waldorf Service, which assigns a personal concierge to each guest. www.bocaresort.com

PGA National Resort & Spa
After a nearly $100 million revitalization, this leading property in The Palm Beaches blends an atmosphere of contemporary luxury with grand Florida hospitality, creating one of the world’s greatest golf resorts. Home to the PGA Tour’s Honda Classic and five award-winning courses, golfers will also enjoy 369 guest rooms, nine onsite restaurants and lounges and eight pools. The 33,000-square-foot Sports and Racquet Club facility recently underwent an impressive $4 million comprehensive facelift. Upgrades include state-of-the-art exercise equipment, indoor racquet ball court, three aerobics studios with new sound systems, five-lane saltwater lap pool, spin room with
video road mapping, indoor volleyball court, two lighted pickle/paddle ball courts, 18 Har Tru tennis courts (11 lit for night play) and one lighted hard court with a hitting wall.

www.pgaresort.com

The Seagate Hotel & Beach Club
This boutique hotel, spa and beach club, provides its guests full membership privileges at the nearby Seagate Country Club, considered one of the finest private golf courses in The Palm Beaches. Complimentary transportation is provided to the course, designed by legendary architect Joe Lee. Golfers rejoice playing the club’s signature 17th hole, considered one of the great short par-3s in South Florida.

www.theseagatehotel.com

Haven for America’s Best Golfers

More than 60 current and past professional world’s most famous golfers call The Palm Beaches home. These pros – several of whom are currently recognized as some of the world’s best golfers as noted by the Official World Golf Ranking – have the option to live anywhere in the world, but have chosen to live in The Palm Beaches. Discover The Palm Beaches set out to find out why through a series of video interviews with several elite resident golfers, including Ernie Els, Rickie Fowler, Rory McIlroy, Jack Nicklaus, Camilo Villegas, Tiger Woods and more. Each of these individual’s personal message echoes the destination’s unique abundance of attributes that make Florida’s Golf Capital® a hole-in-one destination for visitors and locals alike.

www.ThePalmBeaches.com/golf

Golf Tournaments and Organizations

It is only fitting that Florida’s Golf Capital® is also home to the world’s biggest golf organization – the Professional Golfers’ Association (PGA) – whose highly-anticipated annual tournaments also make The Palm Beaches a prime destination for spectators and more passive golf enthusiasts. The annual Allianz Championship and Honda Classic are held in February and March respectively, and are both sanctioned by the PGA Tour.

Allianz Championship
The Annual Allianz Championship is the first full-field PGA Champions Tour event of the season. It features a celebrated roster of golf legends at The Old Course at Broken Sound Club in Boca Raton. Each year tournament week is jam-packed with interactive events before and during championship play with opportunities for “up close and personal” interaction with pros to please golf fans of all ages.

www.allianzchampionship.com

The Honda Classic
The Honda Classic annual event brings the world's best PGA Tour players to The Palm Beaches, providing a week of entertainment for the entire community, with a greater goal of supporting South Florida charities through the Children’s Healthcare Charity, Inc. The PGA tournament is played at PGA National Resort & Spa attracting 190,000+ spectators each year to watch the world's best golfers tee off.

www.thehondaclassic.com

Public Courses

The Palm Beaches may be known for its private club and resort courses, however its four dozen public courses also offer world-class golfing. The cost to tee off offers great value for golfers on a budget but still have the ability to play courses designed by the best. A sampling includes:

Abacosa Gold Club
This public 18-hole course is located in the heart of one of South Florida’s best known golf communities, Jupiter, and designed by Joe Lee. Its rolling fairways are surrounded by serene lakes and tropical plant life. This challenging
course will be appreciated by golfers of all skill levels, especially with its unique elevation changes.

**Palm Beach Gardens Municipal Golf Course**
This Par 72 course was recently redesigned and renovated by golf architectural firm Dusenberry Design, carved out of the beautiful Loxahatchee Nature Preserve. This course is one of the only in Florida that winds through natural preserved and wetlands areas. It plays to 6,500 yards through southern pines, palm trees, and marsh land.

[www.pbgff.com/golf](http://www.pbgff.com/golf)

**North Palm Beach Country Club**
Designed Jack Nicklaus, this par 71 links-style course is one of only two Nicklaus Signature Municipal courses in the United States. Play the undulating terrain and conditioned greens against a backdrop of the Intracoastal Waterway.

[http://npbcc.org](http://npbcc.org)

**Par 3**
Play golf on the ocean at Palm Beach’s Par 3. Designed by Dick Watson and his apprentice Joe Lee in 1961, this course has received many accolades including two times by Golf Digest as the best Par 3 course in the United States. Redesigned and renovated in 2009 by Raymond Floyd, golfers today enjoy views of both the ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway.

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

**Okeheelee Golf Course**
Tee off on 27 holes of championship golf that equates to three nine-hole courses that may be played in three 18-hole combinations. Its unique park setting with beautiful vistas of Clear Lake, the facility is aptly named Okeheelee, or “quiet waters” in the Seminole Indian language.

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

**The Links at Boynton Beach**
Play this 18-hole, 71-par championship course that features a practice green, driving range, restaurant and pro shop. Golfing parents and their children will love the additional executive length nine-hole family course.


**Delray Beach Golf Club**
This course has a long history, opening in 1926 as a nine-hole facility. Today, the 18-hole, classic Donald Ross-designed course offers golfers long and short par fours that will intrigue golfers of all skill levels.

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

**Osprey Point Golf Course**
This 27-hole course in Boca Raton has received a certification by Audubon International as a Classic Signature Golf Course. This was garnered through environmental measures in its development in 2010 which included the protection of natural habitat, conscious development of the natural surroundings and use of green-friendly Seashore Paspalum grass.

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

**Red Reef Park Executive Course**
This course is another local favorite in Boca Raton, with its fairways located between the Atlantic Ocean and Intracoastal Waterway. Designed by Charles Ankrom, the course’s nine holes all boast water views and range from 54 to 227 yards in length.


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About Discover The Palm Beaches
Discover The Palm Beaches, formerly the Palm Beach County Convention and Visitors Bureau, is the official tourism marketing corporation that promotes the collection of 39 cities and towns and 15 tourism districts spanning 2,000 square miles and 47 miles of pristine beaches from Boca Raton to Jupiter, commonly referred to as The Palm Beaches of South Florida. Tourism is among Palm Beach County's major industries. It generates an annual economic impact of $7.1 billion in the local economy, produces $4.55 billion in direct visitor spending and supports more than 60,000 jobs.

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