

GOLF IS THE NAME OF THE GAME IN MYRTLE BEACH

SEASIDE GOLF CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

The Myrtle Beach area boasts 90 of the most unique, challenging and picturesque golf courses in the world, making it a premiere destination for golf enthusiasts and aficionados with more than three million rounds of golf played annually.

Golfers of all levels can experience the beauty of oceanfront holes or stand in the midst of giant live oaks draped in Spanish moss on the site of a colonial rice plantation. Course designers have taken great pains to protect the natural habitat and wildlife indigenous to the Grand Strand while creating courses that are technically challenging and beautiful. Among the world-renowned architects: Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Robert Trent Jones, and Greg Norman.

Several world-famous golfers designed many of Myrtle Beach's most challenging courses. Then, there's one that played a part in the history of the popular magazine whose pages these athletes have graced - *Sports Illustrated*. The year was 1954, and Pine Lakes Country Club hosted the magazine's first sales conference just a few weeks before the debut issue was released.

The majority of the Myrtle Beach area's golf courses are open to the public and many offer seasonal packages that make a visit to the golf capital even more affordable. Many host professional and amateur tournaments, including the PGA TOUR Superstore World Amateur Handicap Championship each fall, which is played out on more than 60 different courses throughout the destination.

More than half of the destination's 79-member layouts have received four stars or more in *Golf Digest*'s prestigious "Best Places to Play" guide, and twelve have been ranked among America's 100 greatest public courses.

In 1967, Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday was founded as a not-for-profit organization to promote golf vacations and golf events. Since the organization's inception, the Grand Strand, now home to 90 courses, has grown into golf's most popular destination.

If you're traveling with kids, several area courses also offer free or discounted play for minors during the summer months, so you can work on your swing while teaching the love of the game.

Following is a listing of the Myrtle Beach Area's famed courses:

NORTH STRAND

- Aberdeen Country Club <u>www.PlayAberdeen.com</u>; (877) 283-2122
- Azalea Sands <u>www.AzaleaSandsGC.com</u>; (843) 272-6191
- Beachwood Golf Club www.BeachwoodGolf.com; (800) 526-4889
- Carolina National Golf Club www.CarolinaNationalGolf.com; (910) 755-5200
- Crow Creek Golf Club www.CrowCreek.com; (910) 287-3081
- Crown Park Golf Club www.CrownParkGolf.com; (843) 756-3200
- Dan Maples Course at Sea Trail Resort www.SeaTrail.com; (910) 287-1100
- Diamond Back at Woodland Valley <u>www.DiamondbackCourse.com</u>; (843) 756-3264
- Dye Course at Barefoot Resort and Golf www.BarefootGolf.com; (866) 638-4818
- Eagle Nest Golf Club www.EagleNestGolf.com; (843) 249-1449
- Farmstead Golf Links www.FarmsteadGolfLinks.com; (910) 575-7999
- Fazio Course at Barefoot Resort and Golf www.BarefootGolf.com; (866) 638-4818
- Glen Dornoch Waterway Golf Links www.GlenDornoch.com; (843) 249-2541
- Leopard's Chase Golf Club www.BigCatsGolf.com/Leopards-Chase/; (910) 579-5577
- Lion's Paw Golf Links www.LionsPawMyrtleBeach.com; (877) 266-0810
- Long Bay Club www.LongBayGolfClub.com; (877) 283-2122
- Love Course at Barefoot Resort and Golf www.BarefootGolf.com; (866) 638-4818
- Meadowlands Golf Club www.MeadowLandsGolf.com; (910) 287-7529
- Norman Course at Barefoot Resort and Golf www.BarefootGolf.com; (866) 638-4818
- Oyster Bay Golf Links www.LegendsGolf.com; (910) 579-3528
- Panther's Run Golf Links www.BigCatsGolf.com/Panthers-Run/; (910) 287-1717
- The Pearl Golf Links www.ThePearlGolf.com: (910) 579-8132
- Possum Trot Golf Club www.PossumTrot.com; (800) 626-8768
- Rees Jones Course at Sea Trail Resort www.SeaTrail.com; (910) 287-1100
- River Hills Golf & Country Club www.RiverHillsGolf.com; (877) 283-2122
- Rivers Edge Golf Club www.RiversEdge-NC.com; (800) 789-0535
- Sandpiper Bay www.SandpiperBayGolf.com; (800) 356-5827
- Surf Golf and Beach Club www.SurfGolfClub.com; (843) 249-1021
- Tidewater Golf Club www.TidewaterGolf.com; (843) 466-8754
- Thistle Golf Club www.ThistleGolf.com; (910) 444-2500
- Tiger's Eve Golf Links www.BigCatsGolf.com/Tigers-Eve/; (800) 233-1801
- Willard Byrd Course at Sea Trail Resort www.SeaTrail.com; (910) 287-1100

MYRTLE BEACH

- Arcadian Shores Golf Club www.ArcadianShoresGolf.com; (843) 449-5217
- Arrowhead Country Club <u>www.ArrowheadCC.com</u>; (800) 236-3243

- Avocet Course at Wild Wing Plantation www.WildWing.com; (877) 283-2122
- Burning Ridge Golf Club www.BurningRidgeGolfClub.com; (877) 283-2122
- The Dunes Golf and Beach Club www.DunesGolfandBeachClub.com; (843) 449-5236
- Grande Dunes Golf Club <u>www.GrandDunesGolf.com</u>; (877) 283-2122
- Hackler Golf Course at Coastal Carolina University -<u>www.Coastal.edu/HacklerCourse</u>; (843) 349-6600
- Heathland Golf Course at the Legends Resort www.LegendsGolf.com; (843) 236-9318
- Hummingbird Course at Wild Wing Plantation (843) 347-9464
- King's North at Myrtle Beach National Golf Club -<u>www.MyrtleBeachNational.com</u>; (877) 283-2122
- Man O'War www.ManOWarGolfCourse.com; (843) 236-8000
- Members Club at Grande Dunes www.GrandeDunes.com; (877) 347-2633
- Moorland Course at the Legends Resort <u>www.LegendsGolf.com</u>; (843) 236-9318
- Myrtlewood Golf Club www.MyrtlewoodGolf.com; (800) 283-3633
- Palmetto Course at Myrtlewood Golf Club <u>www.MyrtlewoodGolf.com;</u> (843) 913-4516
- Parkland Course at the Legends Resort www.LegendsGolf.com; (843) 236-9318
- PineHills Course at Myrtlewood Golf Club www.MyrtlewoodGolf.com; (843) 913-4516
- Pine Lakes Country Club <u>www.PineLakes.com</u>; (877) 283-2122
- River Oaks Golf Plantation www.RiverOaksGolfPlantation.com; (843) 236-2222
- Shaftesbury Glen Golf and Fish Club www.ShaftesburyGlen.com; (866) 587-1457
- SouthCreek at Myrtle Beach National www.MBN.com; (843) 235-4653
- West Course at Myrtle Beach National <u>www.MBN.com</u>; (877) 283-2122
- Whispering Pines Golf Course www.WPinesGolf.com; (843) 918-2305
- Wild Wing Plantation www.WildWing.com; (843) 347-9464
- Witch of Myrtle Beach www.WitchGolf.com; (843) 347-2706
- The Wizard www.WizardGolfCourse.com; (843) 236-9393
- World Tour Golf Links www.TheWorldTourGolf.com; (877) 283-2122

SOUTH STRAND

- **Blackmoor www.Blackmoor.com**; (866) 952-5555
- Caledonia Golf and Fish Club www.FishClub.com; (800) 483-6800
- Founders Club at Pawleys Island www.FoundersClubPawleysIsland.com; (843) 237-2299
- Heritage Golf Club www.LegendsGolf.com; (843) 237-3424
- Indian Wells Golf Club www.IndianWellsGolfClub.com; (843) 651-1505
- Indigo Creek Golf Club www.IndigoCreekGolfClub.com; (843) 650-1809
- International Club www.InternationalClubGolf.com; (843) 651-9995
- Litchfield Country Club www.LitchfieldBeach.com; (888) 734-8228
- Pawleys Plantation <u>www.PawleysPlantation.com</u>; (877) 283-2122

- Prestwick Country Club www.PrestwickCountryClub.com; (888) 250-1767
- River Club www.PlayRiverClub.com; (843) 237-8755
- TPC Myrtle Beach www.TPCMyrtleBeach.com; (877) 283-2122
- The Tradition Club www.TraditionGolfClub.com; (877) 283-2122
- True Blue Golf Club www.TrueBlueGolf.com; (843) 235-0900
- Tupelo Bay Golf Club www.TupeloBay.com; (843) 215-7888
- Wachesaw Plantation East Wachesaw East.com; (888) 922-0027
- Willbrook Plantation Golf Club www.WillowbrookGolf.com; (877) 283-2122

FRIENDLY COMPETITION: MYRTLE BEACH GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Father & Son Team Classic

The annual Father & Son Team Challenge attracts nearly 1,600 participants to compete in various categories for three days of golf during the month of July. Fathers and sons, grandfathers and grandsons, uncles and nephews, stepfathers and stepsons are all welcome.

Myrtle Beach World Amateur

For more than 25 years, the World Amateur tournament has attracted golfers from all 50 states and 20 nations around the world for the gala event in late August. With the field of nearly 4,000 golfers divided into various divisions and nearly 50 flights, the four-day stroke-play event winds down to a fifth day shootout for the championship. Every night, the participants and their friends and families gather at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center for the "world's largest 19th hole" party. Sponsored by the PGA Tour Superstores, there are prizes galore as well, even for those who don't win. Official handicap is required.

Monday After the Masters Celebrity Pro-Am

Although it's invitation only, the annual Monday After the Masters Celebrity Pro-Am with Hootie & the Blowfish is fun to watch, and proceeds go to numerous charities supported by the South Carolina band's foundation.

Veterans Golf Classic

Held prior to the Memorial Day holiday, more than 10 area courses play host to this popular tournament, which honors both present and past members of the Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard. Two-man teams compete in this 54-hole competition. Competitors are also invited to a special awards banquet with great prizes going to top finishers, random drawing prizes to anyone, a presentation of the color guard, and an all-inclusive dinner banquet.

Never Forget Memorial Golf Outing

More than 1,000 firefighters from around the country flock to Myrtle Beach in May for four days of golf, food, drink, fun....and even a belly flop contest! The event also brings time to reflect on brothers who have lost their lives in the line of duty and raise money for the Firefighters Cancer Support Network.

National Retired Military Golf Classic

The annual competition gives retired military personnel the chance to compete and form new friendships while playing golf at Burning Ridge, Myrtle Beach National, Wild Wing, Myrtlewood-Palmetto, and World Tour courses.

MINIATURE GOLF IS THE NAME OF THE GAME

The Myrtle Beach area is called the "miniature golf capital of the world" for its more than 50 miniature golf courses throughout the Myrtle Beach area. The destination also features more mini golf courses per square mile than any other city in the country. With the Myrtle Beach area experiencing more than 19 million annual visitors, miniature golf remains one of the destination's top attractions for visitors of all ages.

The area has seen tremendous growth in miniature golf since the first course was built in Myrtle Beach in 1930. In fact, the US ProMiniGolf Association, which is part of the larger World MiniGolf Association, holds their own "Masters" tournament annually at the Hawaiian Rumble Mini Golf Course in North Myrtle Beach.

Nearly all Myrtle Beach mini golf courses are meticulously landscaped and adorned with tropical plants and flowers throughout warm-weather months. But what makes each one stand out is its theme. Choose from a myriad of themes, from man-eating dinosaurs and lava-spewing volcanoes to high seas adventures aboard pirate ships.

Following is a listing of the Myrtle Beach Area's miniature golf courses:

PIRATES

- Black Pearl Mini Golf
- Captain Hook's Adventure Golf
- Lost Treasure Golf
- Mutiny Bay Miniature Golf
- Pirate's Watch Adventure Golf
- Shipwreck Island Adventure Golf
- Treasure Island Golf

HAWAIIAN

- Aloha Mini Golf
- Gilligan's Island Funland
- Hawaiian Rumble
- Hawaiian Village

IUNGLES AND LAGOONS

- Cancun Lagoon Golf
- Jungle Lagoon
- Jungle Safari Golf

DINOSAURS AND DRAGONS

- Dragon's Lair Fantasy Golf
- <u>Jurassic Golf</u>
- Mt. Atlanticus Miniature Golf
- Professor Hacker's Dinosaur Adventure Golf

ADVENTURE

- Adventure Falls Golf
- Inlet Adventures Golf
- Lost Mine Miniature Golf
- Mayday Miniature Golf
- Molten Mountain Miniature Golf
- Rainbow Falls Golf
- Runaway Bay Miniature Golf
- Spy Glass Adventure Golf
- Wild, Water and Wheels

For additional information on the Myrtle Beach Area, visit www.VisitMyrtleBeach.com or call 1.888.Myrtle1.

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