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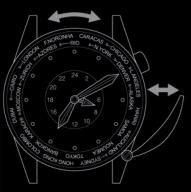
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Okay, folks, let me make it official: Tiger Woods' demise will hurt golf, and that's bad news for all of us who love the game. I believe the fallout from Tiger's tale will have dramatic effects on the PGA Tour, tournaments, sponsorships, television ratings, equipment sales and many other aspects of golf, especially those related to financial endeavors. The PGA Tour is going to have a heck of a time retaining sponsorships. With the economic problems we have all endured the past year, Tour management was already working overtime to keep and solicit sponsors. The absence of Woods from the game will make that job all the more difficult.

In Colorado we are already familiar with what happens when Woods is a no-show. Case in point: Colorado's former great PGA event, the International at Castle Pines Golf Club. It's no secret that Castle Pines founder, Jack Vickers, was infuriated by Woods' absence from his venue. It is rumored that Vickers even wrote a letter to Woods chastising him for hurting The International by not participating. Vickers shut the event down shortly after that, and Colorado is no longer a stop on the Tour.

Perhaps the lesson to be learned here is that no one person should ever be greater then the game itself. Make no mistake; I am a Woods fan. I, too, love to watch him play and conquer golf's storied venues. I am extremely disappointed in his off-course behavior, but I also think that everyone should be given a second chance. I believe he should be forgiven. I can only hope that the media and his fans will refrain from rushing to judgment and give him the necessary time to get the help he obviously needs.

That said, for all of us at *Colorado Golf Magazine* and for you our readers and supporters, there is also **good news**: While Tiger's indiscretions and fall from grace may hurt the game of golf, our publication is stronger than ever. To the many of you who have called, written, emailed and sent texts in recent weeks, thank you and let me reiterate that our course of action has not changed. *Colorado Golf Magazine* is first and foremost a golf publication, and whether or not Tiger plays there will be golf to cover. But this is also a lifestyle publication with a wide range of articles on luxury automobiles, real estate opportunities, fashion, golf equipment, fine jewelry, travel, food and much, much more.

We will continue to bring you Colorado golf as no one else can. In this issue we present the results of our **annual industry poll** (p.24) and our **annual reader poll** (p. 27), highlighting the best of golf in our state. If you've been wondering which new course opened or which course you should try next or which instructor is best, we have the answers for you. We also have a **guide to luxury gifts** and a list of **terrific entertainment venues** for the holiday season and beyond (starting on p. 32), including three renowned **Colorado hotels offering great packages**—some with golf.

We at *Colorado Golf Magazine* wish you a prosperous 2010, and thank each and every one of you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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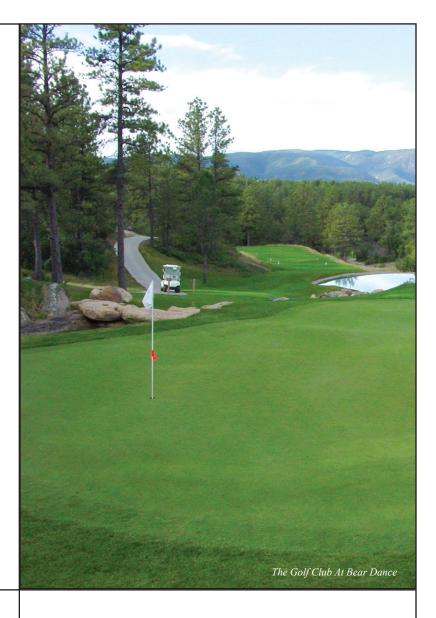
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Situated deep among refreshing pines and gentle hills, the Country Club at Castle Pines offers a superb calling card: a Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course so scenic—and subsequently so distracting that newcomers are advised to abandon their first few scorecards in favor of a relaxing experience. In a state full of gorgeous mountain vistas, the panoramic views from the clubhouse patio may be the most amazing in Colorado.

The course and the club can easily sell themselves, but this golfcentric haven might be the best-kept secret in the region. With a name very similar to a neighboring venue, management is on a mission to clear up any identity issues and erroneous information. For instance, the Country Club has never hosted The International golf tournament. Another false impression involves residency.

"We're a regional club and 100 of our 450 members live outside of Castle Pines Village," says George Kahrhoff, director of golf and general manager. "People think you are required to be a Village resident, and it's been a big misconception."

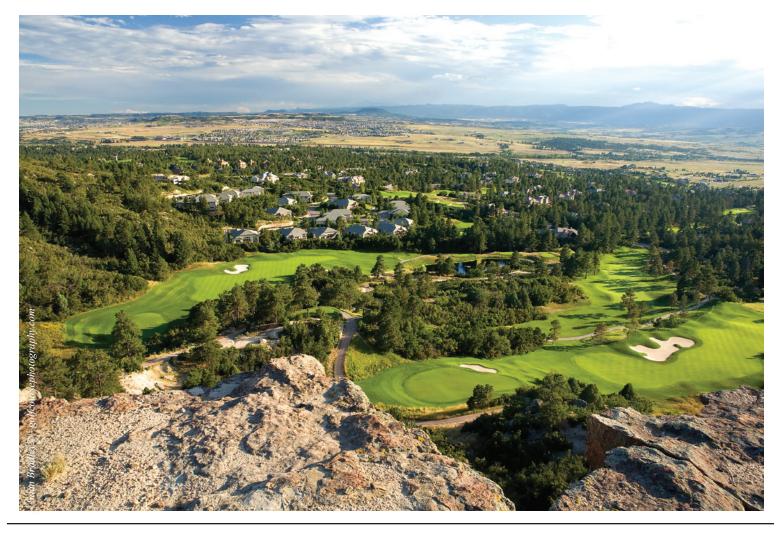
Misconceptions aside, once prospective members take the tour and play the course, they're sold. "We have exceptional playing conditions, challenging but forgiving," says Membership and Communications Director Kim Bartuccio. "The course is phenomenal, with million-dollar views and more than 600 feet of elevation change throughout the property. The clubhouse sits atop a cliff overlooking breathtaking landscapes. From the clubhouse you can see the entire Front Range, and prospective members say it's like a mountain retreat or being on vacation. However, we're literally 10 minutes from the Denver Tech Center. We're a hidden gem, and a lot closer than you think."

The golf course is the centerpiece of the club, a course Kahrhoff describes as "player-friendly" with lots of options to chip, pitch or putt around greens. When you miss, you have the opportunity to roll the ball on because there are not a lot of forced carries. In a course with 18 superb holes, the 15th is a standout. It has been featured on Altitude TV as one of the top 18 holes in Colorado. From the tips, it's 484 yards uphill, with a second shot that needs to be precise to a narrow green that is deceptively fast sloping from back to front. A four here feels like a birdie.

"The course is open year-round, weather permitting," notes Kahrhoff. "We open, play and go. Members follow pace-of-play and know if they tee off at noon, they will be done at 4:20 and home by 5."

Leagues are in place for all ages, including junior camps and programs, plus women's nine- and 18-hole leagues. The nine-hole ladies association focuses on fun and friendships. The club has a men's group that culminates the year with a two-day Ryder Cuptype format and champions' dinner. Among tournaments that have been hosted at the club are the Colorado Golf Association (CGA) Stroke Play Championship and CGA Mid-Amateur Championship, Colorado Junior Golf Association Junior Stroke Play Championship and the Colorado Section PGA Pro-Assistants Championship. The club will host the Colorado Women's Golf Association team Match Play Championship in 2011.

Longtime member and board president Vance Adler says, "I would say that the Country Club at Castle Pines is a golfer's dreamcome-true. The course definitely has a mountain-course feel with elevation changes and fairways that meander through the pines but you don't have to go to the mountains to play it. Truly one of



Jack's premier course designs, it will provide the golfer with an exceptional experience. It's a course that you can play for the rest of your life and you will not get tired of it."

Financially solid, the club's commitment to being recognized as one of the top golf courses in the state has been evident in its incremental approach to course improvements. In 2001, the club began the successful conversion of its fairways from ryegrass to bentgrass. Jack Nicklaus visited his namesake design when a long-term master plan for improvements was approved. Sean McCue, golf course superintendent for the past 14 years, supervised work that included the recent installation of a \$4.5 million irrigation system. "It's one of the most sophisticated systems in the state and helps create more consistent playing conditions," he says.

In 2007, existing bunkers were rebuilt and 14 new bunkers added, along with tee boxes that incorporate seven sets of tees for golfers of all abilities. The driving range is being completely renovated and scheduled for completion this spring. "We're expanding the tee surface by 25 percent to accommodate more players," says McCue, "reconfiguring landing areas for better visibility and reconstructing target greens so golfers have conditions similar to what they'd find a course. It's purposeful practice."

Next up in long-range planning and discussion: the addition of a three-hole Par-3 course with multiple tee locations that will provide nine distinctly different holes.

Castle Pines Village was recognized as the No. 2 residential golf community in the country by a national golf publication in 2009, so while golf may be the heart of the experience, members have a wealth of amenities and activities off the course, too. And even within an affluent community, the atmosphere remains casual and welcoming. "We have impeccable service and social activities for all ages year-round," says Bartuccio. "The clubhouse has a Colorado lodge feeling, and our membership is very friendly and down-to-earth."

With an average new-member age of 49, activities are geared toward families as well as adults, and restaurant options range from casual to fine dining. Events throughout the year include wine tastings to kid-focused activities to "Grill on the Greens." Members also travel to an Air Force football game and look forward to the annual holiday gala. Plans are being considered to enhance members' enjoyment of incredible clubhouse views with additional patio expansions and cozy fire pits.











The membership is proud of the club—more than half of new members have come from referrals—and communication between management and members is open and fluid. After extensive meetings and consultation with members, the club implemented an innovative "market-based membership" program in 2009 that benefits both current and prospective members. New memberships have far surpassed club goals from the plan that incorporates a "preferred prospect" list.

"This model allowed us to make one decision on how we do business, and avoid being reactive," says Bartuccio. "The program works well in both positive and difficult economic times, and it has paid off extremely well for the club." With a cap of 450 memberships, current opportunities are limited but available. To learn more, contact Kim Bartuccio at 303.660.6807 or *kbartuccio@ccofcastlepines.com*. Also visit *ccatcastlepines.com*, and read the golf course's Superintendent's Blog at *cccpgcm.blogspot.com*. The Country Club at Castle Pines is member-owned, a 501(c)(7) venue by invitation.

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PROFESSIONAL POKER STAR DANIEL NEGREANU PLAYS HIGH-STAKES GOLF

Dig deep in your pockets if you want to hit the fairways with this guy

By Françoise Rhodes



Card rooms are all the rage now that the game of poker has hit mainstream USA. Gone are the days of back-alley card rooms and secret-password establishments. Today poker has its own tours, television rights, dominance over the World Wide Web and mega-stars.

With tournament earnings exceeding \$11,600,000, and four World Series of Poker bracelets to his name, Daniel Negreanu is one of those stars. For Negreanu, poker is "work" but playing golf is "fun."

Born July 26, 1974 in Toronto, Canada, Negreanu's childhood dreams of becoming a professional snooker player didn't quite pan out. But at the age of 15 he learned to play poker, and the rest, as they say, is history. He took to the game quickly, and within a year was skipping school to spend time hustling customers in pool halls instead. Convinced that poker was his destiny, Negreanu dropped out of high school and started life as a professional card player.

Fast forward to 2009. Negreanu is now a U.S. citizen living in Las Vegas, Nev., doing what he enjoys the most — playing golf. Negreanu's home is at the TCP Summerlin and he loves his home course. "I could play here everyday for the rest of my life and I'd be happy."



So when did golf become the new passion in Negreanu's life? "I started playing when I was 27," he declares proudly.

After constantly hearing other players at the poker tables talking about their golf game, Negreanu, along with a group of his friends, decided to try it.

"I was already living in Vegas, so my friends and I rented some clubs and tried to teach ourselves. My swing was quite something. It was all pretty bad stuff for a while," the poker champion admits.

But finding that poker and golf have many similarities, including the need for mental strength, Negreanu was quickly hooked on the game. With a signature chip shot swing he was determined to change and a personal goal of breaking 100, Negreanu took action.

"About a year and a half ago I hooked up with a guy (Christian Sanchez) who is my full-time instructor, and his only job is to golf with me; every single shot I take, he is there." Negreanu's current index is an 11.8; he plays from the back tees and when not working can be found playing golf either on the course or in his home.

"I have a golf simulator right next to my bedroom with cameras and everything, so when I want to work on my game, Christian comes over to the house and we do it there instead of on the course. Among the things he has learned is to focus on his "swing thoughts" rather than on over-correcting a wrong.

Comfortable with playing high-stakes poker, Negreanu also enjoys high-stakes golf with his regular foursome and anyone who has the cash. His regular foursome includes Sanchez and professional poker players Erick Lindgren and Phil Ivey. When asked if there are a few bets going on, he laughs. "We bet on everything," and, yes, the stakes are high. In one game he says he lost \$550 but won \$850.

These amounts don't seem like high stakes until he pauses and says, "You know what I'm talking about don't you? That's \$550,000 and \$850,000."

Which begs the question, how does one concentrate with stakes that high? "That's the beauty of it," Negreanu says. "I love pressure, and it's much more fun when you have \$150,000 riding on a putt that you have to make."

If Michael Jordan comes to mind because of his newsworthy gambling habits, Negreanu has played with MJ and won, another accomplished goal Negreanu shares easily.

Known worldwide for opening his wallet for high-stakes poker and golf, Negreanu's heart opens even more when it comes to charity. "I love playing in charity events," he says, so much so that in 2009 he founded his own event, the 'Big Swing' charity golf tournament. The event features 30 amateur teams, each paired with one professional poker player for the golf match.

"We started the tournament out small this year to get our feet wet and raised a fair amount of money. I want it to be fun for all levels of golfers, so the tournament is a scramble format. This event is a true passion of mine and I personally guarantee that everyone who participates will have a great time at a first-class event."



All the funds raised benefit the Lili Claire Foundation, which works to enhance the lives of children born with special needs and offers hope and support to the families who love them.

All golfers dream of the ultimate foursome, so whom does Negreanu want to pay with? "Tiger Woods because he's pretty good; Angelina Jolie, just cuz she's WOW! Barack Obama, I'm a big fan, I met him once and I think he's a cool dude."

There are many aspects of the game that Negreanu loves — the outdoors, spending time with close friends, competition and the adrenaline rush when playing well. Knowing that he'll never completely master the game intrigues him, igniting his desire for perfection.

Taking risks is common in Negreanu's life and that pushes him to try new things, such as writing how-to books on poker, hosting his own poker blog and starring as himself in movies and, the ultimate coup, video games. Yet, Negreanu exudes a contentment that goes beyond the green felt and fairways.

When asked to describe his life in one sentence he laughs, worried that one sentence might not be enough. After taking a moment to reflect, he replies, "It's the ideal life that I always dreamed of, working hard in my early twenties so that I could have the freedom to do what I want, when I want to."

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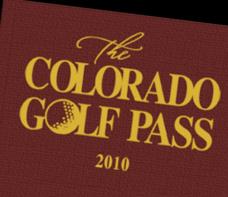




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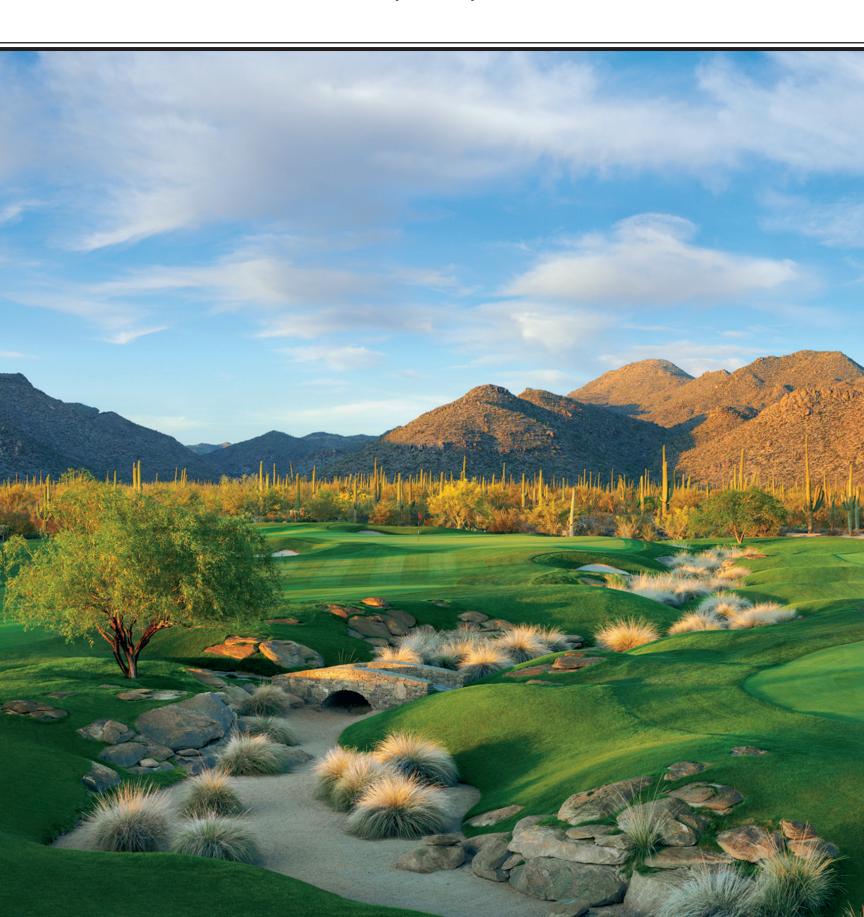
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THE GALLERY GOLF CLUB

Mountain vistas, championship golf, stylish amenities and continual enhancements are positively enticing at Dove Mountain in Arizona

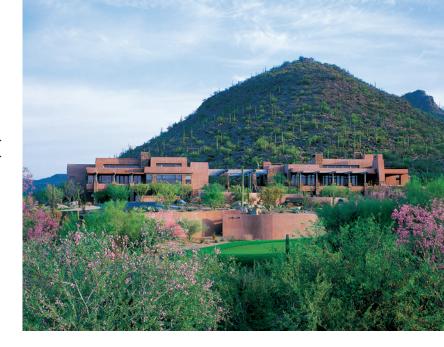
By Lisa Perry



No matter how stormy the economic climate may be, it's always sunny and forward thinking at The Gallery Golf Club, located among scenic desert canyons near Tucson, Ariz. Cool and confident, management continues to defy nationwide recession trends with venue upgrades and positive energy. The "gallery" name? A contemporary Southwestern aesthetic is highlighted by 100 pieces of striking artwork on display. Club members relish a superb golf experience with two unique and complementary championship courses. The award-winning clubhouse is a mecca for social interaction and relaxation, and the full-service restaurant tantalizes taste buds with sumptuous cuisine. A state-of-the-art sports center offers fitness fans a sleek, productive forum for workouts and recreation, as well as a haven for soothing spa services. Overall, the club atmosphere is first-class with an artistic flair and a casual elegance.

General Manager Phil Satterfield says the member-friendly schematic of principal owner John MacMillan has remained intact while evolving with changing times and concepts. "Of course we have to attract members to keep the business model going, but the family also gets a lot of satisfaction from happy members being part of the equation. The vision has been constant through the years, with improvements made as the market has changed. Originally The Gallery was to be 18 holes of golf only, but now we have a 12,000-square-foot sports club and a second golf course. We're always tinkering with something to make the club more attractive to current members and future members."

Two 18-hole golf courses complement each other with distinct layouts and landscapes. Designed by John Fought and 2006 Ryder Cup captain Tom Lehman, the original North Course opened in 1998 and played host to the PGA Touchstone Energy Tucson Open in 2001. Currently ranked No. 1 in Southwest Arizona by one national publication and listed as one of the country's "Top 100 Modern Courses" by another, the course winds through the elevation changes of two canyons in the Tortolita Mountain range. Wide-open fairways that lure big hitters are offset by strategically



placed bunkers. It's a unique experience overall, far different than that of a traditional desert course.

The South Course, a John Fought design, opened in late 2003 and made such a splash that it was the site of the World Golf Championships-Accenture Match Play Championship in 2007 and 2008. Satterfield describes the new layout as reflective of Pinehurst with a more level terrain and picturesque vistas and sunsets. Golfers of all abilities enjoy the opportunity to experience the character and challenges of each course.

Satterfield speaks with great pride about the recent redesign and rebuilding of greens on the original North Course, a project completed with the help of Fought. "The greens on the North were showing some age, and John Fought made improvements with subtle changes comparable to South. We made a conscious decision to replant the greens. Bentgrass can grow in Arizona and that panache is certainly what we want to make The Gallery a better place."



Just 30 minutes from the Tucson airport and 90 minutes from Sky Harbor in Phoenix, The Gallery's membership roster is an intriguing mix of members from Arizona, across the country and around the world.

"We're a primary residence for some and second home for others; 25 percent are here year-round," says Satterfield. "We have a younger demographic than a traditional club: active, golf astute and a little competitive, playing golf two to four times a week. We're a busy club, and don't shutter our doors in the summertime when other clubs are tucking in their tails. Bermuda in summer is as friendly as ryegrass is in winter. Our members love the changes to North Course. They are fond of the owners and how their direction is guiding the club. They're happy we made the decision to do the renovation in this day and time."

Club amenities range beyond championship golf opportunities. The Gallery clubhouse earned a Golden Nugget architectural award, and continues to be a social hub and homelike retreat for members with its six fireplaces and Southwestern décor. A comprehensive golf shop provides an array of enticements, along with personalized customer service. Gallery-worthy artwork provides bold accents in the dining and lounge areas, and the full-service restaurant serves casual cocktails to gourmet meals. In addition to fitness-focused strength and cardiovascular equipment, The Gallery Sports Club also features a combination lap-and-recreation pool, plus tennis courts, lighted basketball court, sand volleyball and a bocce ball and croquet lawn.

Part of the Dove Mountain golf community, residential opportunities at The Gallery have virtually sold out. But a handful of stylish, custom "solar-smart" homes situated on a ridge above No. 14 on

the North Course are available at The Overlook at The Gallery. Prospective members can choose from a variety of memberships, including a popular one-year trial with full privileges that management says has resulted in a full-membership success rate of 90 percent.

For information about golf, residential and membership opportunities, visit GalleryGolf.com or call 520.744.4700.

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Who knows Colorado golf courses better than the industry experts who work on and around them for a living? Once again *Colorado Golf Magazine* asked the state's golf experts to name Colorado's Top 10 golf courses in three different categories—private courses, resort courses, and public courses—and the votes were cast in record numbers.

Experts from the Colorado section of the PGA, Rocky Mountain Golf Salesman's Association and Rocky Mountain Golf Course Superintendants Association named their picks among Colorado's wealth of superb courses, and voiced their collective opinion on the state's top five pro shops, too. We're proud to present the results of our 2009 poll. (To learn how *you* voted, turn to **The Best of Colorado's Golf Courses 2009**, as selected by our golf-savvy readers and online visitors.)

TOP 10 PRIVATE COURSES

For 2009, **Ballyneal Golf Club** in Holyoke, Colo., heads the industry's leaderboard. That may be surprising, considering Ballyneal is three hours from Denver in the northeast corner of the state. Designed by Tom Doak with a nod to the great links courses of Scotland and Ireland, Ballyneal is all about tradition. It's a walking-only course meant to foster the kind of golf that is "an expression of the land, the game and the player." Membership is by invitation only. Coming in at No. 2 is **Cherry Hills Country Club**, host of the 2005 U.S. Women's Open and future host of the 2012 U. S. Amateur Championship. The No. 3 spot goes to last year's winner, **Castle Pines Golf Club**, and in 4th is **Colorado Golf Club**, which is set to host the 2010 Senior PGA Championship. Rounding out the private courses is venerable **Denver Country Club, Country Club of the Rockies, Sanctuary Golf Course, The Club at Flying Horse, Country Club at Castle Pines** and **Columbine Country Club**.

TOP 10 RESORT COURSES

Four years running industry experts have named the **Broadmoor East Course** top resort golf course in the state. The layout, a melding of the original Donald Ross design with six holes crafted by Robert Trent Jones, Sr. in 1952, has hosted a long list of championship tournaments, most recently the 2008 U.S. Senior Open. It will host the prestigious U.S. Women's Open in 2011. A pair of mountain courses come next. **Sonnenalp Golf Club** outside of Vail took

second with its layout combining the best of links-style golf with Rocky Mountain vistas and challenges, while the **Telluride Ski** & Golf Resort course, perched at a heady 9,300 feet above sea level, captured third. Omni Interlocken Resort, Inverness Golf Club, Beaver Creek Golf Club, Keystone Ranch Golf Course, Eagle Vail Golf Club, The Club at Crested Butte and longtime mountain favorite Snowmass Club filled in the remaining slots.

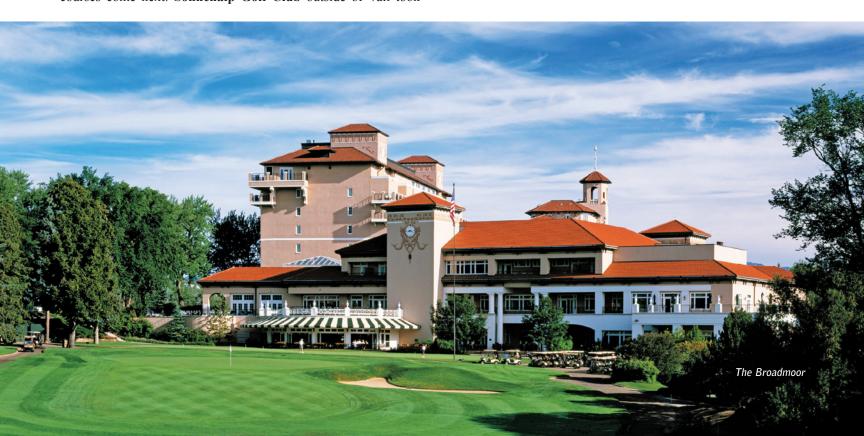
TOP 10 PUBLIC COURSES

Few venues in the state can match the setting of Colorado's No.1 public golf course, the Golf Club at Redlands Mesa, coiled at the foot of Colorado National Monument. Play here has been likened to golfing at the bottom of the Grand Canyon, but the beauty of it is that the Grand Junction course, for all its majestic terrain and visual splendor, is highly accessible. Experts voted a completely different sort of course second. The Riverdale Dunes Course is a Pete and Perry Dye Scottish links design that meanders along the South Platte River not far from Denver and has garnered numerous regional and national awards. Proving Colorado's extraordinary golfing diversity, the No.3 spot goes to the Red Sky Golf Club Norman Course in the I-70 corridor, framed by high alpine meadows and rugged rock outcroppings. The Golf Club at Bear Dance, Pelican Lakes Golf and Country Club, Fossil Trace Golf Club, Devil's Thumb Golf Club, Cougar Canyon Golf Links, Fox Hollow Golf Club and the Heritage Golf Course at Westmoor complete the list.

TOP FIVE PRO SHOPS

Where should you look for golfing accessories, clubs, balls and more? Not surprising, at shops located at the clubs and courses lauded on this very list. The **Broadmoor Golf Shop**, No. 1 in the state, takes its cue from the Five Star, Five Diamond resort's other superb retail outlets, offering a comprehensive selection of quality goods serviced by an exemplary and knowledgeable staff. The remaining quartet of shops voted best of the best are the golf shops at **Castle Pines Golf Club**, **Red Sky Golf Club Norman Course**, **Cherry Hills Country Club** and, at No. 5, the pro shop at **Sanctuary**.

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PRIVATE

- 1. Ballyneal Golf Club
- 2. Cherry Hills Country Club
- 3. Castle Pines Golf Club
- 4. Colorado Golf Club
- 5. Denver Country Club
- 6. Country Club of the Rockies
- 7. Sanctuary
- 8. The Club at Flying Horse
- 9. Country Club at Castle Pines
- 10. Columbine Country Club



RESORT

- 1. Broadmoor Golf Club East Course
- 2. Sonnenalp Golf Club
- 3. Telluride Ski & Golf Resort
- 4. Omni Interlocken Resort
- 5. Inverness Golf Club
- 6. Beaver Creek Golf Club
- 7. Keystone Ranch Golf Course
- 8. Eagle Vail Golf Club
- 9. The Club at Crested Butte
- 10. Snowmass Club



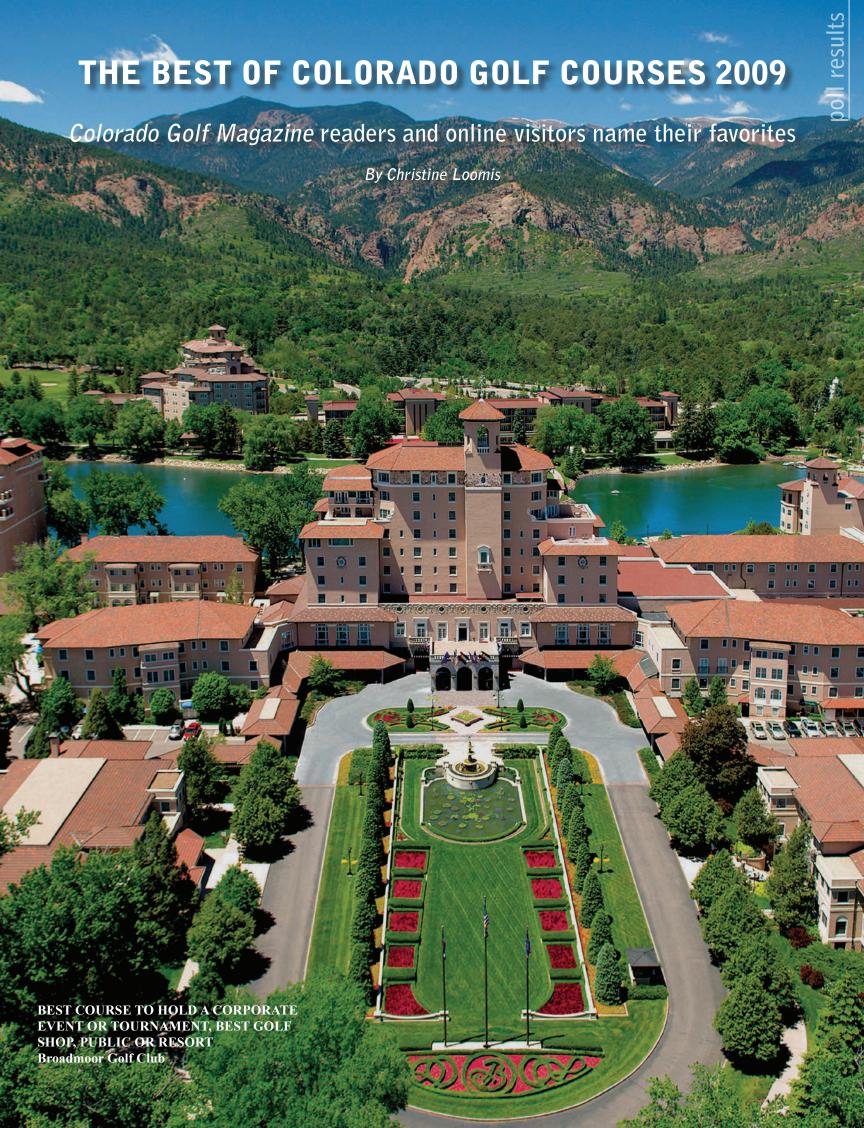
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- 2. Riverdale Golf Club the Dunes course
- 3. Red Sky Golf Club the Norman course
- 4. The Golf Club at Bear Dance
- 5. Pelican Lakes Golf and Country Club
- 6. Fossil Trace Golf Club
- 7. Devil's Thumb Golf Club
- 8. Cougar Canyon Golf Links
- 9. Fox Hollow Golf Club
- 10. The Heritage Golf Course at Westmoor



PRO SHOP

- 1. Broadmoor Golf Club
- 2. Castle Pines Golf Club
- 3. Red Sky Golf Club Norman course
- 4. Cherry Hills Country Club
- 5. Sanctuary



Colorado Golf Magazine asked the question: Which courses are the best in Colorado? You, our readers and online visitors, answered. In 25 critical categories, you stepped up and voted—for the best courses, the best holes, the best instruction facility, the best value, the best club for meetings and events, the best course for wowing out-of-staters, the most scenic course and more. From the prairie to the mountains, Front Range to Western Slope, northeast to southwest, Colorado's impressive and diverse golf courses deliver the goods.

BEST NEW COURSE

CommonGround Golf Course (formally known as Mira Vista) 10300 E. Golfers Way Aurora, CO 80010 303.340.1520

The name reflects what this place is: An affordable public golf course and a home for both the Colorado Golf Association and Colorado Women's Golf Association. The land includes nearly 400 acres of protected open space. The heart of it is the 18-hole course designed by Tom Doak, but there's also a short course devoted to junior golf, and a caddie program with the double purpose of giving golfers an opportunity to enjoy one of the game's great traditions plus providing university scholarships for those who work as caddies. CommonGround, indeed.

BEST PUBLIC MOUNTAIN COURSE

Red Sky Golf Club, Norman Course 0376 Red Sky Road Wolcott, CO 81655 970.754.8400

The 7,580-yard course was designed by Greg Norman to be aesthetically beautiful yet natural, in harmony with the high alpine landscape it occupies. In places it winds through meadows brimming with wildflowers, in others it skirts stands of scrub oak or rocky gulches that cut deep into the mountain terrain. Norman is

not alone when he states, "For years my love of the Rockies, along with the natural beauty of the surrounds, has beckoned me to the Vail Valley." Readers know how he feels.

BEST PUBLIC FRONT-RANGE COURSE

Riverdale Golf Club, the Dunes Course 13300 Riverdale Road Brighton, CO 80602 303.659.6700

Its list of accolades from regional and national publications is impressive: One of America's Most Affordable Courses, No. 1 Public Course in Colorado, One of America's Best Courses Everyone Can Play, Top 75 Public Courses—and the awards go on. The Pete and Perry Dye design celebrates the birthplace of golf, Scotland, with its link-style layout along the South Platte River.

BEST RESORT COURSE

Broadmoor Golf Club, East Course 1 Lake Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80906 719.577.5790

The Broadmoor is an historic Five Star, Five Diamond resort; why should its golf courses be any less historic or star-studded? After Donald Ross designed the championship East Course in 1918, he called it his "best work." That's high praise considering Pinehurst Nos. 1 and 2 were among his other efforts. Later, the East layout was re-worked to include six holes by the great Robert Trent Jones, Sr. The result is a masterpiece of design and a must-play in our state.

BEST OVERALL PUBLIC OR RESORT COURSE

Red Sky Golf Club, Fazio Course 0376 Red Sky Road Wolcott, CO 81655 970.754.8400





Red Sky's Tom Fazio Course is no stranger to awards. It offers variation of terrain and challenges, yet playability for all skill levels—with drop-dead gorgeous views of Vail's famed back bowls. If you're not a member of the club, you can play here simply by staying at one of the partner properties in Vail.

BEST COURSE \$100+

Red Sky Golf Club, Fazio Course 0376 Red Sky Road Wolcott, CO 81655 970.754.8400

Like we said, the Fazio Course is no stranger to awards. You'll understand why as you follow the verdant fairways through shimmering aspens and across high-desert hills where panoramas are both a delight and a distraction. Long a favorite of *Colorado Golf Magazine* readers, this is one of the gems of the High Country.

BEST COURSE \$50 - \$99

Arrowhead Golf Club 10850 W. Sundown Trail Littleton, CO 80125 303.973.9614

The Robert Trent Jones, Jr., layout rolls over terrain dominated by sandstone towers that are more than 300 million years old. Here, golfers share the dramatic landscape with an abundance of wildlife and easily forget that they are but a chip shot away from downtown Denver.

BEST COURSE UNDER \$50

Riverdale Golf Course, the Dunes Course 13300 Riverdale Road Brighton, CO 80602 303.659.6700

You don't have to be rich or famous to play this exceptional course, rated the No.2 best public course in Colorado by the state's golf

industry experts. *Colorado Golf Magazine* readers agree that the Dunes, a celebration of Scottish links-style golf, is one terrific course, as well as affordable—a true gift in this challenging economy.

MOST UNDERRATED COURSE, PUBLIC OR RESORT

Pelican Lakes Golf and Country Club

1620 Pelican Point Windsor, CO 80550 970.674.0930

Ted Robinson, Sr. put the Poudre River front and center in this water-adorned golf course that encompasses more shoreline than any course in the nation. Players cross the Poudre four times through 18 holes, and five lakes dominate the lush landscape. There is a community, but no homes are adjacent to the course.

MOST SCENIC COURSE, PUBLIC OR RESORT

Arrowhead Golf Club

10850 W. Sundown Trail Littleton, CO 80125 303.973.9614

It's not surprising that Arrowhead, one of the most photographed golf courses in Colorado, comes out on top in this category. The downside: Such magnificent scenery plays havoc with your game. Apparently our readers forgive that.

MOST DIFFICULT COURSE, PUBLIC OR RESORT

The Golf Club at Bear Dance 6630 Bear Dance Drive Road

6630 Bear Dance Drive Road Larkspur, CO 80118 303.681.4653

Once again, Bear Dance takes top honors in this category, and not just because it's long. It is, stretching 7,726 yards, but its challenges also come from elevation changes, tree-lined fairways, a multitude of bunkers, water features and devilish greens that test golfers to the max.

MOST DIFFICULT PRIVATE COURSE

Castle Pines Golf Club 1000 Hummingbird Drive Castle Rock, CO 80108 303.688.6022

This course challenged Tiger Woods and other pros who convened at Castle Pines for the great International PGA Tour event. The International is no longer with us, but if you have a friend who's a member here, you can play the course that made Colorado a favorite stop for the world's greatest golfers for more than 20 years.

BEST COURSE TO HOLD A CORPORATE EVENT OR TOURNAMENT

Broadmoor Golf Club

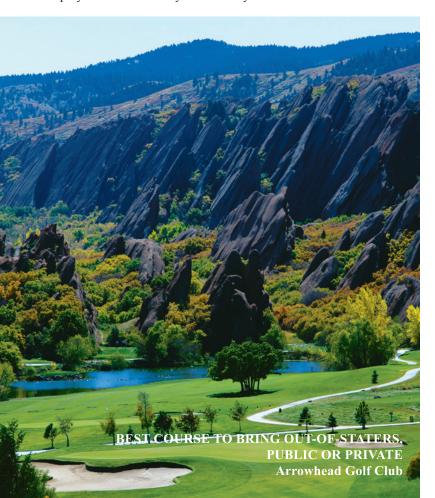
1 Lake Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80906 719.577.5790

It's not just the golf courses—there are three of them—or the range and quality of rooms and spaces groups can use. It's also the dynamic and creative event staff that helps clients put together memorable and successful events and tournaments from start to finish.

BEST COURSE TO BRING OUT-OF-STATERS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE

Arrowhead Golf Club 10850 W. Sundown Trail Littleton, CO 80125 303.973.9614

While Coloradoans are lucky to have this brilliantly designed, naturally gorgeous golf course in their backyard, every golfer should have a chance to play it. The next time you have guests from out of town, be the best golfing host ever by taking them to play Arrowhead. They *will* thank you.



BEST PRIVATE COURSE

Ballyneal Golf Club

216 S. Interocean Avenue Holyoke, CO 80734 970.854.5900

Ballyneal was a labor of love by owners who wanted to celebrate the rich traditions of golf with a course that eschews modern bells and whistles, such as distance markers and electric carts, in favor of an experience that gets down to golf's purest elements. Think about it. There are only three things that really matter in golf: the land, the player and the nuances of the game itself. That's what Ballyneal is about.

MOST COVETED PRIVATE COURSE INVITATION

Sanctuary

7549 Daniels Park Road Sedalia, CO 80125 303.973.9614

Yes, Again. Built by philanthropic Dave Liniger, founder of RE/MAX, and his wife, Gail, Sanctuary was created for the purpose of hosting charity events. Unless you're a friend of the Linigers, signing up for one of the charity events hosted here is the only way to get on this course.

MOST FEMALE-FRIENDLY COURSE, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE

Legacy Ridge Golf Course 10801 Legacy Ridge Parkway Westminster, CO 80031 303.438.8997

This city of Westminster course measures 7, 157 yards from the tips, but it's a comfortable 5,315 yards from the red tees. Wide fairways, extremely generous landing areas and expansive greens make Legacy Ridge a great place for women to learn the game, and a great place to enjoy the camaraderie of golf with groups of friends. The Women's Friday Afternoon Club can take advantage of both of Westminster's golf courses, Legacy Ridge and Heritage at Westmoor.

MOST FAMILY-FRIENDLY COURSE, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE

Fox Hollow Golf Course 13410 Morrison Road

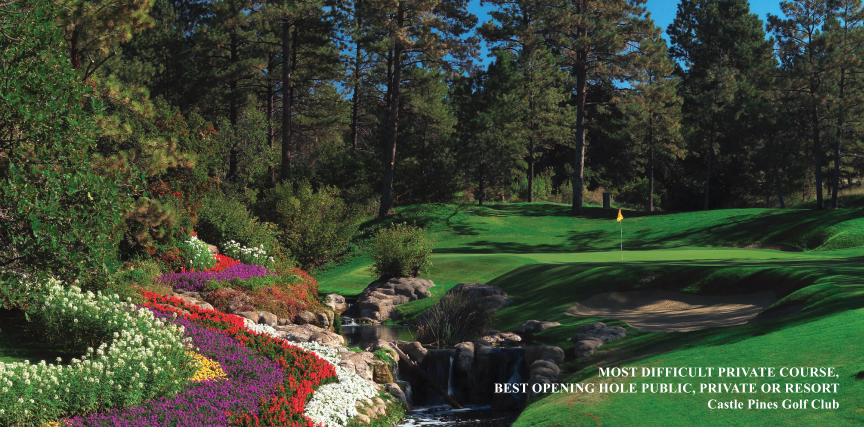
Lakewood, CO 80228 303.986.7888

Fox Hollow is owned by the city of Lakewood. Three distinct nines—the Canyon, the Meadow, and the Links—and five sets of tees provide plenty of options for players of all ages and abilities. And there are instructional programs and groups for every member of the family, including an excellent summer program for junior golfers age seven to 17.

TOUGHEST GREENS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE

The Golf Club at Bear Dance 6630 Bear Dance Drive Road Larkspur, CO 80118 303.681.4653

It's the toughest course with the toughest greens, so leave your B game at home. Bear Dance demands accuracy and there are consequences for



miscalculating. If you're up for the challenge, it is one of Colorado's top golf experiences.

BEST OPENING HOLE PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR RESORT

Castle Pines Golf Club 1000 Hummingbird Drive Castle Rock, CO 80108 303.688.6022

This is the fourth year in a row that readers have voted No. 1 at Castle Pines the best opening hole in the state. At 644 yards, Nicklaus designed the par-5 to set the tone for a course that challenges pros and amateurs alike.

BEST FINISHING HOLE PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR RESORT

Cherry Hills Country Club

4125 S. University Blvd. Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113 303.350.5220

The 491-yard par-4 beauty has water in play along the fairway and a bevy of bunkers guarding the green. If you end up in the sand, you can always try to recreate the shot that gave Birdie Kim the title here in the 2005 U.S. Women's Open when she holed out from the bunker. Or not.

BEST PRACTICE FACILITY

The Club at Cordillera 650 Clubhouse Drive Edwards, CO 81632 970.926.5100

Cordillera has four courses, each with a practice area. But it's the practice area at the Nicklaus-designed Summit Course that garners raves with its separate chipping and putting greens, large tee area and practice bunkers so players can hone skills they'll need on the course.

BEST INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITY

McGetrick Golf Academy 4900 Himalaya Road, Bldg. Q Denver, CO 80249 303.799.0870

"Give us five days and we'll give you a sport for a lifetime." That's the promise of McGetrick's Get Golf Ready in Five Days program. At other facilities, that might sound more boastful than truthful, but Mike McGetrick and his staff have been helping golfers improve their game for a long time. Just ask pros Juli Inkster, Brant Jobe and Meg Mallon. Mike McGetrick is the No.1-ranked instructor in the state and his academy is the only Top 25 Golf School in Colorado.

BEST GOLF SHOP, PUBLIC OR RESORT

Broadmoor Golf Club

1 Lake Avenue Colorado Springs, CO 80906 719.577.5790

What makes a golf shop stand out? Expansive inventory of quality equipment and apparel, for one thing. But the best inventory in the world won't matter if there is not also staff that is knowledgeable, attentive and dedicated. Staff is where the Broadmoor Golf Shop really shines.

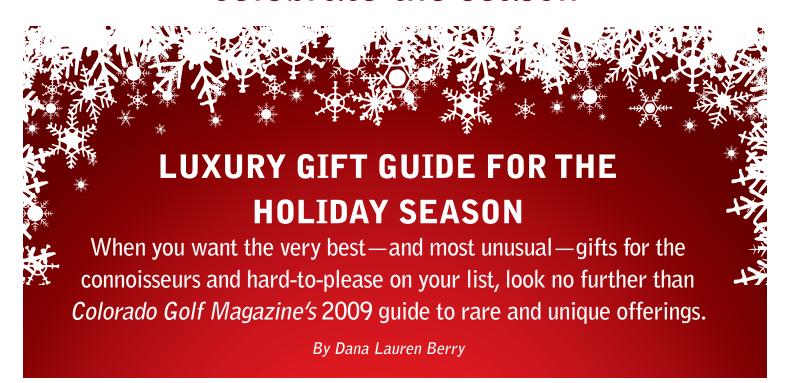
BEST GOLF COURSE FOOD, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE

Cheyenne Mountain Resort 3225 Broadmoor Valley Road Colorado Springs, CO 80106 800.428.8886

Colorado Golf Magazine readers and online visitors gave culinary kudos to Pineview Restaurant at the clubhouse. In addition to drinks, lunch and dinner, the restaurant serves up sweeping views of the Pete Dye-designed golf course and Cheyenne Mountain range.

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celebrate the season



FOR THE GOLF ENTHUSIAST WHO WANTS A COOLER GOLF CART

Many golfers have a custom golf cart, but this is different. Bikeboard International makes a three-wheel **G1000 Golf vehicle**, enabling golfers to follow their own path from shot-to shot. It's lightweight so there is less wear on the golf course, and it offers more maneuverability, minimal energy consumption, low cost maintenance and easy storage. Engineered in Switzerland but made in Tempe, Ariz., the G1000 comes with a vertical golf bag holder, cup holder, sporting card/accessory holder, and optional seat attachment and battery charging station. \$3,449. bikeboard.com



FOR THE RARE WATCH COLLECTOR

Outside of a man's wedding ring, the watch is typically the only "statement" jewelry a man wears. For the true watch connoisseur who appreciates the art form of a fine timepiece, there's the **Maitres Du Temps collection**. The "Chapter One" series was created by three of the world's most renowned master watchmakers, who collaborated on a world-first combination of complicated watch features, such as a one-minute tourbillion, mono-push chronograph, retrograde date indicator, retrograde GMT indicator, day of the week indication on roller and patented precise moon phase indication on roller in a fully-integrated mechanical movement. Shown in 18-karat red gold, it is Swiss made and limited to 11 pieces, available at Wynn & Co. Jewelry in Las Vegas. \$420,000. 702.770.3520 or *maitresdutemps.com*



FOR THE SEA MASTER

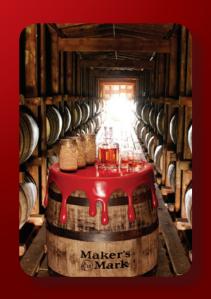
For those with a love of the ocean and of aquatic art, the Peer Gynt high performance PG26 yacht-style powerboat is amazing. These boats feature 26-foot customized center consoles showcasing graphic sailfish and dorado artwork designs

by world-renowned marine wildlife artist and conservationist Guy Harvey. Built by a team of yacht builders, these are custom powerboats incorporating luxury features to meet each buyer's personal requirements. Standard features include 93 gallons of insulated fish and storage boxes in the bow, 40-gallon live well aft, recessed deck hardware and a removable fold-down rear seat. A portion of each sale benefits the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation supporting marine conservation and education efforts. \$100,000-\$125,000 depending on customization. *PeerGynt-usa.com*



FOR THE WHISKY AFICIONADO

A true whisky lover should enjoy a boutique Scotch-grain whisky, and **Hedonism** is a fine choice of a 100-percent grain whisky with flavors of coconut, vanilla cream and toffee. John Glaser, founder of Compass Box Whisky, producer of Hedonism and other varieties, notes, "Hedonism is a rich, sweet, sexy style of whisky which you'll find is aptly named!" Orangerie is another delicious Compass Box creation, a single-malt and single-grain whisky infused with the hand-zested peel of Navalino oranges. Hedonism, \$90 and up per bottle; Orangerie, \$60 and up. *compassbox.com*



FOR THE WORLD TRAVELER AND SPORTS FAN

Flexjet, a type of fractional ownership of private planes, has a new program available called the Flexjet 25 Gold Edition 2010 Card. Those who purchase the Flexjet Gold Edition Card will have access to 25 hours of flight time on the fleet of Flexjet Bombardier aircraft, operated by Jet Solutions, as well as a legendary package to the XXI Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver. Cardholders will enjoy exclusive access to the Winter Games, with access for two to each of the most sought-after Olympic events: Closing Ceremony, Men's Hockey Gold Medal Game, Figure Skating Gala Exhibition and three Short-Track Speed Skating gold medal races. Additionally, the card includes three nights' luxury accommodations in Vancouver, ground transportation

and personal concierge and meals at Vancouver's most acclaimed restaurants. Cardholders also will receive a behind-the-scenes look at the Olympic Games. For those needing more than the base 25 hours

of air travel, additional hours can be purchased as needed. Limited quantities. \$122,900 & up, with timing set for Feb. 26 through March 1, 2010. 888.240.2108 or flexjet25.com/2010



FOR THE EXTREME GOLF FAN

Three lucky guests will hone their golf game with hall-of-famer Annika Sorenstam at the ANNIKA Golf Academy in Orlando, Fla., and then test out newly acquired skills on Wente Vineyards' championship golf course in Livermore, Calif. They will also have a rare opportunity to dine with Annika and fifth-generation winemaker Karl Wente to sample the Annika Vineyards' portfolio of ultra-premium boutique wines. The Orlando portion includes nine holes of golf with Annika followed by a golf clinic

and lunch; photograph/autograph session; three nights at Reunion Resort; airport transportation and meals; golf instruction with Henri Reis and Charlotta Sorenstam and numerous other perks, including Annika merchandise and autographed books. For the California portion, the three guests will experience the private dinner with Karl Wente and Annika; two nights at the Wente Vineyards estate cottage; a round of golf with Annika on the Wente course and lunch; and an allocation of the Annika Vineyards portfolio, including the Syrah for five years, Chardonnay for four years and Cabernet Sauvignon for three years (12 total cases). Package also includes 25 hours of private jet air service via NetJets for flights from Orlando to California and back. Dates subject to approval. \$350,000. Wente Vineyards: 925.456.2034.



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Now through Dec. 24

Christkindl Market, Skyline Park

Denver's version of the German holiday market, complete with vendors from Europe with handcrafted gifts from the Old World. In addition to selections such as wooden figurines, ornaments, candles and more, try traditional German food and authentic beer.

Now through Dec. 26 A Christmas Carol

The timeless tale with original songs and enchanting sets, at the Denver Performing Arts Complex. Stage Theatre. 303.893.4100 or *denvercenter.org*

Now through Dec. 31

Wine Dinners at The Weber, Inn at Cherry Creek.

At December's wine dinner, indulge in Gulf oysters and Hudson Valley foie gras paired with Mumm Napa Brut Prestige—and that's just the start to an evening of divine wine and food pairings that will seduce all of your senses. 233 Clayton Street. 303.377.8577.

Now through Jan. 3

Denver Botanic Gardens Blossoms of Light

The annual fantasy display with over one million lights transforms the Botanic Gardens into an elegant holiday wonderland. Returning favorites: romantic spots to kiss the one you love and seasonal entertainment. New this year: Intricate ice sculptures set along the garden paths in a dazzling wintry display. The Shop at the Gardens will be open. 720.865.3500 or *botanicgardens.org*

Now through Jan. 15

Downtown Denver Holiday Lights

In addition to the City & County Building decked out with over 600,000 lights, Denver sparkles with a 20-foot snowflake sculpture at the corner of 16th and Broadway and 460,000 lights along

the one-mile 16th Street Mall. In Skyline Park, the blue and white lights of a 22-foot musical Christmas tree are choreographed to 25 different holiday songs, and the historic D&F Tower will be dressed in lights, wreaths and bows. Larimer is the place to stroll under a holiday canopy of more than 300,000 white lights, while you duck in and out of the street's cornucopia of restaurants and wine bars.

Jan. 9-24

National Western Stock Show

Among this year's special events is a Mexican Rodeo Extravaganza, filled with cultural pageantry and champion charros whose horsemanship, roping, and bull-riding skills are guaranteed to thrill. Elegant dressage horses return in An Evening of Dancing Horses, and Super Dogs are back with amazing tricks, aerial stunts and action-oriented canine antics. Plus, performers and equestrians from across the nation compete in riding, reining, roping and more. Call 888.551.5004 for tickets or visit *nationalwestern.com* for information.

Jan. 13-17

Cats

For five days only this Broadway superstar comes to Denver, filled with Andrew Lloyd Weber's immortal classics. Buell Theatre. 303.893.9582 or *denvercenter.org*

Jan. 15-March 4

Mercurio

A major exhibition of new work by glass master Dale Chihuly, featuring his lustrous silvered Venetians and Piccolos. Opening reception: Jan. 15, 6 to 8 p.m. Pismo Fine Art Glass, 2770 East 2nd Avenue. 303.333.2879



Jan. 22-Feb. 27 When Tang Met Laika

Theater and science come together in a world premiere production about life after living in space. Playwright Rogelio Martinez explores the 1990s Cold War thaw, the International Space Station, and two driven people who find love in this amazing galaxy. Space Theatre at the Denver Performing Arts Complex. 303.893.4100 or *denvercenter.org*

Throughout February

Affairs of the Heart Valentine's Tours

You don't have to stay overnight to revel in history at the Brown Palace. On select days in February, hotel historian Debra Faulkner will conduct special tours highlighting romance at the Brown. From the dignified romance of couples like President Ike and Mamie Eisenhower, to the scandalous affairs of Isabelle "Sassy" Springer, The Brown Palace has seen it all. Reservations required. 303.297.3111 or *brownpalace.com*

Feb. 2-14

Legally Blonde

"One Elle of a show," said Time about this adaptation of the hilarious movie-turned-smash-hit musical about sorority girl Elle Woods. Elle takes on Harvard, the courts, stereotypes and men and we're compelled to cheer her on. Buell Theatre. 303.893.4100 or *denvercenter.org*

BOX

Hotels for the Holidays & Beyond

Romance, gourmet delights and, yes, even golf await at three Colorado classic hotels this winter

The Brown Palace Through March 31

Luxurious Love

Toast each other with evening cocktails then retreat to your room and a romantic rose-petal turndown. The next morning, stay in bed as breakfast for two is delivered. Starts at \$249. 303.297.3111 or brownpalace.com

Royal Romance

For the ultimate in romance share an 80-minute candlelit couple's massage in the Brown's luxurious spa, then enjoy a bottle of champagne, chocolate-covered strawberries and a rose-petal turn-down to sweeten your evening. Breakfast comes to you the next morning. Starts at \$479. 303.297.3111 or *Brownpalace.com*

Hotel Monaco

Throughout 2010

Ohh-Baby-Baby

Your elegantly whimsical room comes with champagne, chocolate-dipped strawberries, roses and a movie to watch together. Enjoy complimentary coffee or tea each morning and a hosted evening wine reception, plus breakfast for two in Panzano or your room. Starts at \$219. 800.990.1303 or visit *Monaco-denver.com*

Body, Mind & Soul

Cozy down in your room together, slip on the socks that come with your gift basket, and try yoga with an in-room yoga basket. Then indulge together in a sensuous massage or facial at the spa. As evening falls, imbibe at the hotel's complimentary wine reception. Starts at \$267. 800.990.1303 or *Monaco-denver.com*

The Broadmoor Jan. 29-30

Salute to Escoffier

What's better than gourmet food and romance? Includes accommodations for two nights, Friday reception, Saturday Grand Buffet, cooking demonstrations, wine seminars and the Broadmoor's to-die-for Sunday brunch. Package starts at \$449 per person. Consider adding a night for dinner at the Five Star, Five Diamond Penrose Room. 719.577.5775 or *broadmoor.com*

Through April 30

Spa & Golf Getaway

More than 300 days of sun and frequently mellow wintertime temperatures in the Front Range make for nearly year-round golf. If the weather gods are smiling, the Broadmoor's famed fairways will be clear of snow and as enticing as ever, whichever month you visit. Includes a round of golf per person per day, locker, club storage and range balls. You'll also each enjoy a 70-minute deep tissue massage. Starts at \$408 per person per night. 719.577.5775 or *broadmoor.com*

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THE BEST OF THE BEST AND THE LATEST AND GREATEST



Golf has become exotic in the last several years, at least when it comes to materials. Who can forget the first Gore-Tex rain jacket or the first titanium driver? Or the first putter with a multi-layer insert surrounded by black copper? Thankfully, golf remains a sport in which craftsmanship, passion and simple good looks are just as important as performance. A visit to the PGA Merchandise Show, held in late January in Orlando, is three days spent with people who are passionate about golf and passionate about striving to produce and market the finest golf equipment made. This holiday season, if you're looking for something golf-ish, you're in luck. Remember the old saying that the best gift is a gift that you don't want to give away? You'll find it very difficult to give away any of the items that follow.

APPAREL

When the weather is cool but not cold, the classic sweater vest is always stylish. For the bold dresser, the Golf Knickers argyle vest in orange and white (\$79) is an affordable way to add some color to your wardrobe. For a more muted approach, the Ben Hogan V-neck in merino wool (\$119) is classically styled. For the ultimate in comfort and warmth, ladies should try the Liz Claiborne turtleneck golf sweater in cashmere (\$149). And although you may not be able to play as well as Ian Poulter, you can wear trousers that look exactly like his. How? He has his own line of pants—but because he's from England, we'll call them trousers. For the full effect, try the Ian Poulter Limited Edition Jack Tartan Trousers (\$199); make sure you have your sunglasses at hand.

EQUIPMENT

When it comes to golf equipment, drivers tend to get most of the publicity, but the number and variety of wedges has increased almost exponentially over the last few years. It's hard to beat those from **Cleveland**. The new **CG15 wedges** (\$125) are laser milled and available in a variety of finishes and, most importantly, a number of bounce and loft combinations. However, for sheer indulgence, why not ask for a custom-built wedge from **Scratch Golf**? The company (*scratchgolf.com*) offers the only PGA Tour department that's open to the general public. Pricing depends on the wedge built, but off-the-shelf models are competitively priced at around \$149.

The Callaway Odyssey putters are popular with Tour players and the selection has just expanded with the addition of the White Ice line. Callaway accurately describes the Sabretooth (\$250) as "radical" yet the fangs (yes, fangs) help with alignment. Callaway recently introduced a rarity for the company, a forged club. The X-Forged irons (\$899) offer the forgiveness that has made Callaway popular with average golfers but also offer the feel and workability that forged clubs provide. Titleist has some new irons coming on the market. The Titleist MB forged (\$135 per iron) are classic muscle-backs and the AP1 model (\$100 per iron) offers Titleist design and technology with advanced forgiveness. TaylorMade has transferred some of its driver technology to the new R9 irons (\$999). They're forgiving with a large sweet spot but have a very thin face and thus lack the "clunkiness" of some newer game-improvement irons.

For the better golfer, **Ping** introduced the **i15 driver** (\$399). It has a slight fade bias and a 460cc deep face design; it's a good choice for the low-handicapper who wants to fade or draw the ball off the tee.







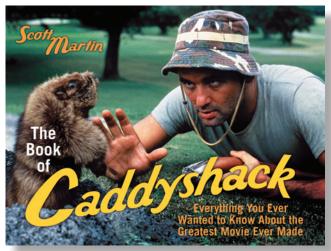


ACCESSORIES, BOOKS & DVDS

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Scott Martin is a contributing writer to Colorado Golf Magazine



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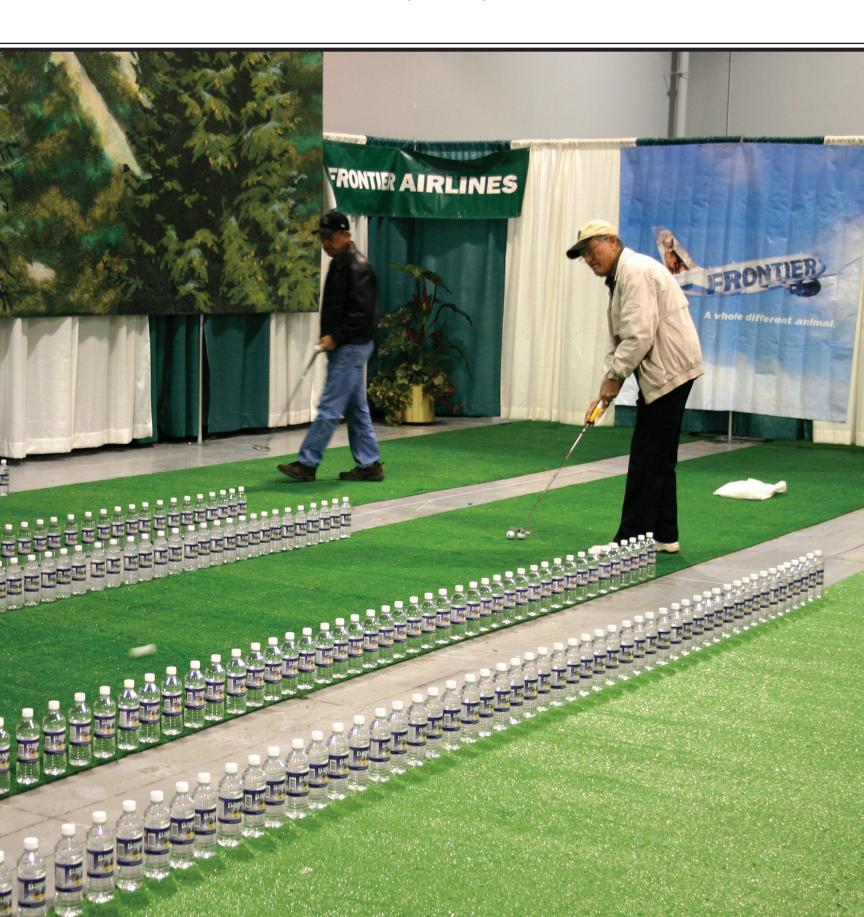
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2010 DENVER GOLF EXPO

17th annual event attracts golfers of all ages and abilities, plus Colorado's industry pros

By Lisa Perry





Living up to its slogan "something for everybody," the 2010 Denver Golf Expo revs up again Feb. 12-14 at the Denver Merchandise Mart. Now in its 17th year, the show draws winter-bound golfers and deal-hunters with its comprehensive mix of discounted products and golf rounds, vacation offers, plus free seminars, demos and club fittings. Colorado golf associations make it the site of annual meetings as well.

"It's the largest annual gathering for the industry in the state—we have everything," says Mark Cramer, who owns and operates the expo with wife, Lynn. "I've been promoting tradeshows for 27 years, but this is something I'm really passionate about. What I want the golf expo to do is help the game of golf. We want to be representative of the golf industry in Colorado."

Last year's paid attendance was 10,200.

Activities and deals span the spectrum, but discounted golf is always a big draw. Rounds normally valued at \$40 might sell for \$20 to \$24 in a four-pack. "It's a benefit to the golfer and income for the courses in the off-season, especially important in this slow economy; a win-win," says Cramer. "Some people come multiple days, or they'll come down and budget a couple of hours for driving-range demos or shopping for closeouts on the new weapon of the year, or buying leather gloves or shoes at a discount."

Major manufacturers will have reps onsite for custom club fittings. Golfers could possibly purchase clubs on Friday and pick them up on Sunday. Free seminars are available as well. "R.T. Nelson does an unbelievable job heading it up from the Colorado Section PGA," says Cramer. "He put together the PGA display on the show floor and brought some of the best teachers in the state for seminars."

Cramer says the show tries to hit all the different areas of interest, including junior golf, which is making its second appearance this year. All young golfers receive giveaways for participating.

"Dustin Jensen of the Colorado Junior Golf Association (CJGA) brought 10 to 15 different junior-golf groups together to introduce it last year, and 600 kids went through swing and putting demos and contests," says Cramer. "We had golf team members from UNC, CU and UCCS, and Miss Teen Colorado. Kids connect so well with people their age. It's a real neat thing to introduce the game of golf to kids and make lifelong golfers out of them."

After the show last year, CJGA and other associations created one central website *coloradojuniorgolf.org* for junior-golf activities across the state. Prior to that, parents had to go through as many as half-a-dozen websites.

Another benefit for junior golfers and their families is the return of the popular club swap, a fundraiser run by the Colorado Golf Association. Junior golf receives 30 percent of the clubs' sale price, the owner get 70 percent. If clubs are donated, they go directly to disadvantaged youth.

This year, all paid attendees receive a certificate for a custom-built Dimension Z lob wedge, a subscription to *Golf Digest* magazine and free greens fees, and can register for multiple giveaways and a grand-prize golf getaway. For show details, go to *Denver Golf Expo.com*

Lisa Perry is a staff writer with Colorado Golf Magazine



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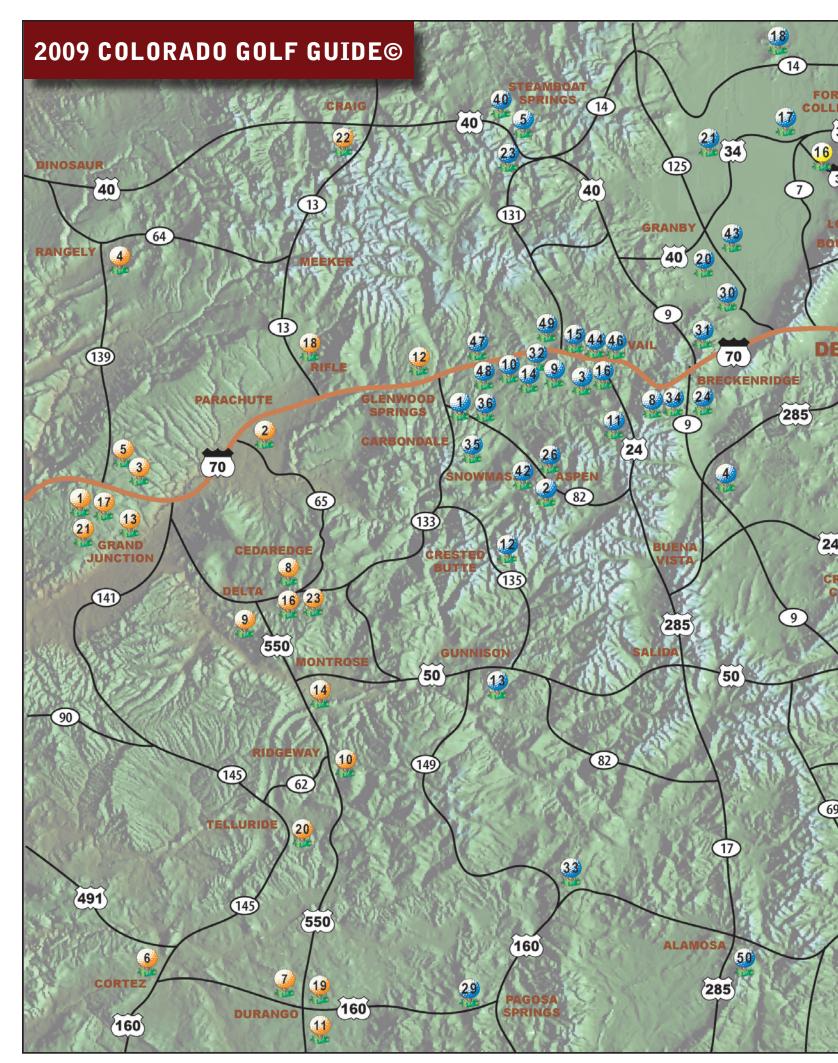
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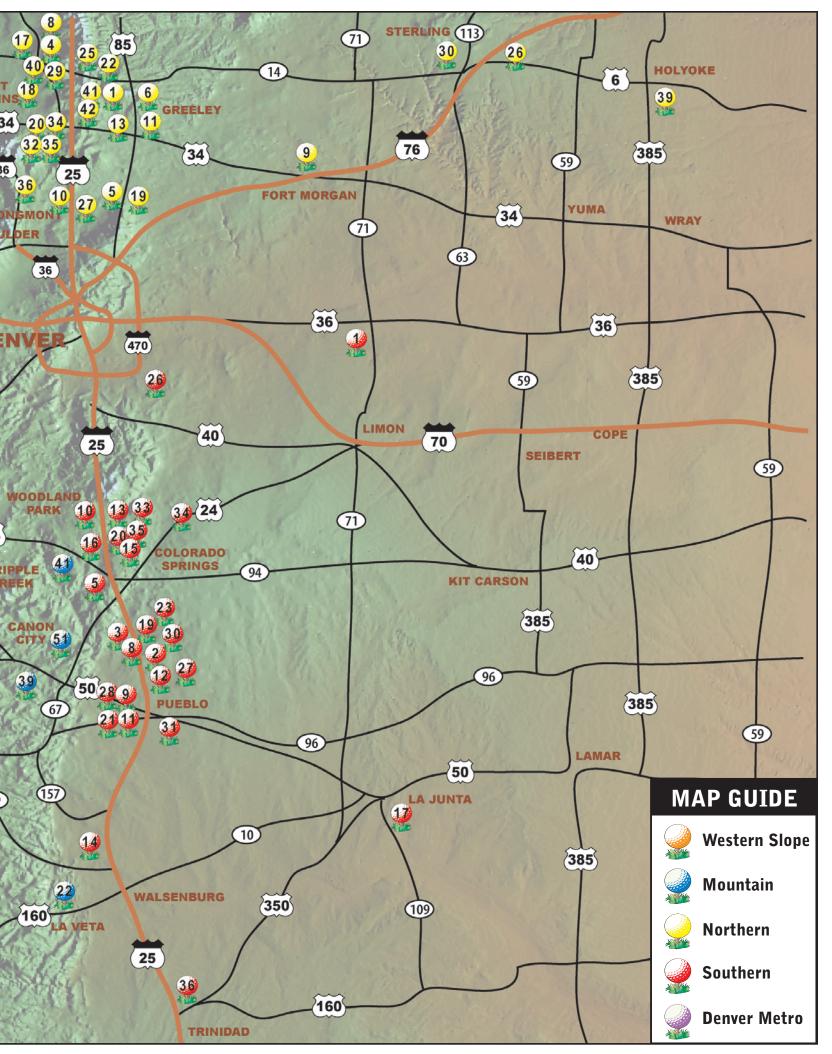


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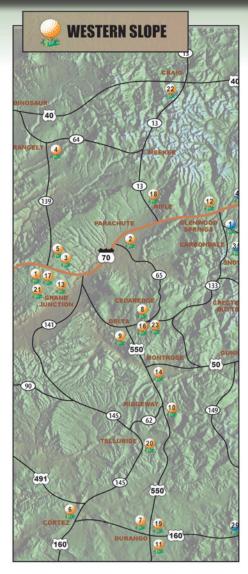








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Adobe Creek National Golf Course

876 Eighteen and a half Road, Fruita. Reservations (970) 858-0521. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 119; 6,997 yards. Greens fees \$16-\$22. (See Map Orange #1)

Battlement Mesa Golf Club

3930 N. Battlement Parkway, Battlement Mesa. Reservations (970) 285-7274. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 125; 7,254 yards. (See Map Orange #2)

Black Canyon Golf Club

1350 Birch St., Montrose. Reservations (970) 249-4653. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 123; 6,246 yards. (See Map Orange #16)

Bookliff Country Club, 2730 G Road, Grand Junction. Reservations (970) 242-9053. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 118; 6,632 yards. (See Map Orange #3)

Bridges at Black Canyon

2500 Ogden Rd, Montrose. Reservations (970) 252-1119. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 134; 7,208 yards. (See Map Orange #23)

Conquistador Golf Course

2018 N. Dolores Road, Cortez. Reservations (970) 565-9208. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 113; 6,963 yards. (See Map Orange #6)

Dalton Ranch Golf Course

589 County Road 252, Durango. Reservations (970) 247-8774. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 135; 6,934 yards. (See Map Orange #7)

Deer Creek Village Golf Club

500 SE Jay Ave., Cedaredge. Reservations (970) 856-7781. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 127; 6,418 yards. (See Map Orange #8)

Devils Thumb Golf Club

968 1560 Road, Delta. (970) 874-6262, Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 126; 7,176 yards. (See Map Orange #9)

Divide Ranch & Club

117 Ponderosa Dr., Ridgeway. Reservations (970) 626-5284. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; 6,812 yards. (See Map Orange #10)

Glacier Club

40292 Highway 550 N., Durango. Reservations (970) 375-8300. Private-27 holes. Hermosa/Cliffs 71/128/6646 Glacier/Cliffs 72/133/6923 Glacier/Hermosa 71/131/6889 (See Map Orange #19)

Hillcrest Golf Club

2300 Rim Drive, Durango. Reservations (970) 247-1499. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 127; 6,838 yards. (See Map Orange #11)

Iron Bridge Golf Club

1007 Westbank Road, Glenwood Springs Reservations (970) 945-4300. Private-18 holes. Par 72. 7,150 yards. See Map Orange #12)

Lincoln Park Golf Course

8 Mantlo Ct., Grand Junction. Reservations (970) 242-6394. Public-18 holes. Par 36. Slope 118; 6,435 yards. (See Map Orange #13)

Links at Cobble Creek

265 Courthouse Peak Ln., Montrose Reservations (970) 240-9542. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 124; 6,982 yards. (See Map Orange #14)

Redlands Mesa, The Club at 2325 W. Ridges Blvd., Grand Junction. Reservations (970) 263-9270. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 135. 7007 yards. (See Map Orange #17)

Rifle Creek Golf Club

3004 State Highway 325, Rifle. Reservations (970) 625-1093. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 123; 6,235 yards. (See Map Orange #18)

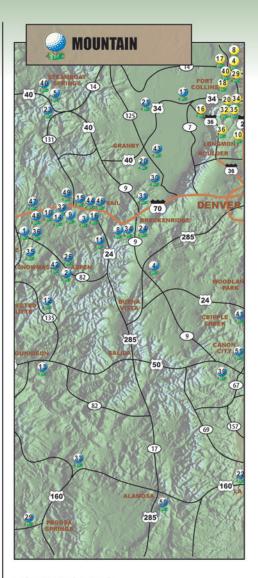
Telluride Golf Club

565 Mountain Village Blvd., Telluride. Reservations (970) 728-2606. Resort-18-holes. Par 70. Slope 134; 6,641 yards. (See Map Orange #20)

Tiara Rado Golf Course

2063 S. Broadway, Grand Junction. Reservations (970) 245-8085. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 115; 6,289 yards. (See Map Orange #21)

Yampa Valley Golf Club 2179 Highway 394, Craig. Reservations (970) 824-3673. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 126; 6,548 yards. (See Map Orange #22)



Adam' s Rib Ranch

1094 Frost Creek Drive, Eagle. Reservations (800) 627-0439. Private-18 hole. Par 72. Slope 141; 7,250 yards (See Map Blue #49)

Aspen Glen Golf Club

545 Bald Eagle Way, Carbondale. Reservations (970) 704-1988. Private-18 holes. Par 72. 7,435 yards. (See Map Blue #1)

Aspen Golf Course

408 E. Cooper Street, Aspen. Reservations (970) 925-2145. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 125; 7,165 yards. (See Map Blue #2)

Beaver Creek Golf Club

100 Offerson Rd., Avon. Reservations (970) 845-5775. Resort-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 140; 6,752 yards. (See Map Blue #3)

Brightwater Club

4000 Gypsum Creek Rd., Gypsum. Reservations (970) 777-1270. Private-18 hole. (See Map Blue #48)

Breckenridge Golf Club

200 Clubhouse Drive, Breckenridge. Reservations (970) 453-9104. Public-27 holes. Par 72. Slope 146; 7,279 yards. (See Map Blue #4)

Catamount Ranch and Club

708 Lincoln Ave., Steamboat Springs. Reservations (970) 879-0690. Private-18 holes. (See Map Blue #5)

Cattails Golf Club

6615 N. River Road, Alamosa. Reservations (719) 589-9515. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 129; 6,413 yards. (See Map Gold #50)

Copper Creek Golf Club 104 Wheeler Place, Copper Mountain. Reservations (970) 968-2882. Resort-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 124; 6,094 yards. (See Map Blue #8)

Cordillera, The Club at Mountain Course 650 Clubhouse Drive, Edwards, Reservations (970) 926-

5100. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 145; 7,416 yards. (See Map Blue #9)

Cordillera, The Club, Summit Course 190 Gore Trail, Edwards. Reservations (970) 926-5300. Private-18 holes. Par 74. Slope 135. 7,441 yards. (See Map Blue #9)

Cordillera, The Club, Valley Course

109 Legends Drive, Edwards Reservations (970) 926-5950. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; 6,945 yards. (See Map Blue #9)

Cotton Ranch Club

530 Cotton Ranch Drive, Gypsum. (970) 524-6200. Private 18-holes. Par 72. Slope NA; 6,914 yards. (See Map Blue #10)

Country Club of the Rockies

676 Sawatch Dr., Edwards. Reservations (970) 926-3021. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 135; 7,367 yards. (See Map Blue #11)

Crested Butte Country Club

385 Country Club Drive, Crested Butte. Reservations (970) 349-6131. Resort-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 129; 7,208 yards. (See Map Blue #12)

Dos Rios Country Club

501 Camino Del Rio, Gunnison. Reservations (970) 641-1482. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 127; 6,566 yards. (See Map Blue #13)

Eagle Ranch Golf Club

0500 Lime Park Dr., Eagle. Reservations (970) 328-2882. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 126; 6,634 yards. (See Map Blue #14)

Eagle Springs Golf Club

28521 Highway 6 and 24, Wolcott. Reservations (970) 926-4400. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 121; 7,009 yards. (See Map Blue #15)

Eagle Vail Golf Club

431 Eagle Drive, Avon. Reservations (970) 949-5267. Resort-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 131; 6,819 yards. (See Map Blue #16)

Estes Park Golf Course

1080 S. St. Vrain. Estes Park. Reservations (970) 586-8146. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 129; 6,763 yards. (See Map Blue #17)

Four Mile Ranch

705 Cowboy Way, Canyon City. Reservations (719) 275-5400. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 126; 7,053 yards. (See Map Blue #51)

Fox Acres Country Club

3350 Fox Acre Drive West, Red Feather Lakes. Reservations (970) 881-2191. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 132; 6,236 yards. (See Map Blue #18)

Grand Elk Ranch & Club

1321 Ten Mile Drive, Granby. Reservations (877) 389-9333. Resort/Public 18-hole. Par 71. Rating/Slope 72.4/131. 7,144 yards. (See Map Blue #20)

Grand Lake Golf Course

1415 County Road 48, Grand Lake. Reservations (970) 627-8008. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 131; 6,542 yards. (See Map Blue #21)

Grandote Peaks Golf Club

5540 Hwy 12, La Veta. Reservations (719) 742-3391. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 133; 7,085 yards. (See Map Blue #22)

Haymaker Golf Course

34855 US Highway 40 East, Steamboat Springs. Reservations (970) 870-1846. Public-18 holes. 7,249 yards. (See Map Blue #23)

Headwater Golf Course

P.O. Box 1110, Granby. Reservations (970) 887-2709, Public-18 holes. Par 72. 7,200 yards. (See Map Blue #43)

Keystone Ranch Golf Course

22010 Highway 6, Keystone. Reservations (970) 496-4250. Resort-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 136; 7,109 yards. (See Map Blue #24)

Lakota Canyon Golf Club

1000 Clubhouse Drive, New Castle. Reservations (970) 984-0404. Public-18 Holes. (See Map Blue #47)

Maroon Creek Club

10 Club Circle, Aspen. Reservations (970) 920-4080. Private-18 holes. 7,100 yards. (See Map Blue #26)

Pagosa Springs Golf Club

#1 Pines Club Pl., Pagosa Springs. Reservations (970) 731-4755. Resort-27 holes. Meadows Ponderosa: Par 71; slope 124; 6,913 yards. Pinion Ponderosa: Par 69; 118; 6,670 yards. Pinion Meadows: Par 72; 126; 7,221 yards. (See Map Blue #29)

Pole Creek Golf Club

US Hwy 40, Winter Park. Reservations (970) 726-8847. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 135; 7,107 yards. (See Map Blue #30)

Raven Golf Club at Three Peaks

2929 Golden Eagle Road, Silverthorne. Reservtions (970) 262-3636, Public 18-holes. Par 72. Slope 133; 6,806 yards. (See Map Blue #31)

Red Sky Golf Club 376 Red Sky Road, Wolcott. Reservations (970) 754-8400. Fazio Course, Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 135; 6,970 yards. Norman Course, Public-18 holes. (See Map Blue #32)

Rio Grande Club

0285 Rio Grand Trail, South Fork. Reservations (719) 873-1997. Publoc 18-holes. Par-72. 7,155 yards. (See Map Blue #33)

River Course at Keystone

155 River Course Drive, Keystone. Reservations (970) 496-4444. Resort-18 hole. Par 71. Slope 121; 6,507 yards. (See Map Blue #34)

River Valley Ranch Golf Club

303 River Valley Ranch Drive, Carbondale. Reservations (970) 963-3625. Public 18-holes. Par 72. Slope NA; 7,249 yards. (See Map Blue #35)

Roaring Fork Club

100 Arbaney Ranch Road, Basalt. Reservations (970) 927-9100. Private-18 holes. (See Map Blue #36)

Rollingstone Ranch Golf Club

1230 Steamboat Blvd. Steamboat Springs. Reservations (970) 879-1391 Resort-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 134, 6,819 yards (See Map Blue #40)

Shadow Hills Golf Club

1232 County Road 143, Canon City. Reservations (719) 275-0603. Public-18 holes. 6,172 yards. (See Map Blue #39)

Shining Mountain Golf Club, 100 Lucky Lady

Drive, Woodland Park. Reservations (719) 687-7587. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 129; 6,740 yards. (See Map Blue #41)

Snowmass Club

The, 239 Snowmass Club Circle, Snowmass Village. Reservations (970) 923-9155. Resort-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 134; 6,662 yards. (See Map Blue #42)

Sonnenalp Golf Club

1265 Berry Creek Road, Edwards. Reservations (970) 477-5370. Resort-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 138; 7,059 yards. (See Map Blue #44)

Vail Golf Course

1778 Vail Valley Drive, Vail. Reservations (970) 479-2260. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 121; 6,859 yards. (See Map Blue #46)



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Ballyneal Golf Club

58839 County Rd FF, Holyoke. Reservations (970) 854-5900. Private-18 holes. (See Map Gold #39)

Boomerang Golf Links

7309 4th Street, Greeley. Reservations (970) 351-8934. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 131; 7,214 yards. (See Map Gold #1)

City Park Nine Golf Course

411 S. Sryan, Fort Collins. Reservations (970) 221-6650. Public-18 holes. Par 69.9/123/6297. (See Map Gold #40)

Collindale Golf Course

1441 E. Horsetooth Road, Fort Collins. Reservations (970) 221-6651. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 126; 6,935 yards. (See Map Gold #4)

Coyote Creek Golf Course

222 Clubhouse Dr., Fort Lupton. Reservations (303) 857-6152. Public-18 holes. 6,412 yards. (See Map Gold #5)

Colorado National Golf Club

2700 Vista Pkwy, Erie. Reservations (303) 926-1723. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 140; 7,676 yards. (See Map Gold #36)



Eaton Country Club

37661 Weld County Road 39, Eaton. Reservations (970) 454-2587. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 121; 6,606 yards. (See Map Gold #6)

Fort Collins Country Club

1920 Country Club Road, Fort Collins. Reservations (970) 482-9988. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 130; 6,924 yards. (See Map Gold #8)

Fort Morgan Golf Course

17586 County Road T.5. Reservations (970) 867-5990. Public-18 holes. Par 73. Slope 117; 6,579 yards. (See Map Gold #9)

Fox Hill Country Club 1400 East Highway 119, Longmont. Reservations (303) 772-1061. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 122; 6,808 yards. (See Map Gold #10)

Greeley Country Club 4500 W. 10th, Greeley. Reservations (970) 353-2431. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 131; 6,384 yards. (See Map Gold #11)

Hamony CLub

6432 Grand Tree Blvd. Timnath. Reservations (970) 482-4653. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 137; 7,331 yards. (See Map Gold #42)

Highland Hills Golf Course

2200 Clubhouse Drive, Greeley. Reservations (970) 330-7327. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 128; 6,741 yards. (See Map Gold #13)

Highland Meadows Golf Course

6300 Highland Meadows Pkwy., Windsor. Reservations (970) 204-4653. Public-18-hole. Par 69.4/124/6562. See Map Gold #41)

Lake Valley Golf Club

North on Highway 36, Longmont. Reservations (303) 444-2114. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 121; 6,725 yards. (See Map Gold #16)

Link-N-Greens Golf Course

777 E. Lincoln Ave., Fort Collins. Reservations (970) 221-4818. Public-18 holes. Par 65. Slope 90; 4,907 yards. (See Map Gold #

Loveland, Olde Course at,

2115 W. 29th St., Loveland. Reservations (970) 667-5256. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 120; 6,827 yards. (See Map Gold #18)

Mad Russian Golf Course

P.O. Box 301, Milliken. Reservations (970) 587-5157. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 117; 5,447 yards. (See Map Gold #19)

Mariana Butte Golf Course

701 Clubhouse Drive, Loveland. Reservations (970) 667-8308. Public-18. Par 72. Slope 130; 6,572 yards. (See Map Gold #20)

Pelican Lakes Golf and Country Club

1600 Pelican Lakes Point, Windsor. Reservations (970) 674-0930. Semi/Private-27 holes. Pelican Lakes 18 holes. Par 73. Slope 134; 7264 yards. Pelican Falls 9-holes. Par 34. Slope 120; 2865 yards. (See Map Gold #22)

Ptarmigan Golf & Country Club

5412 Vardon Way, Fort Collins. Reservations (970)226-6600. Private-18 holes. Nicklas Par 72.4. Slope131; 7201 vards. (See Map Gold #25)

Riverview Golf Course

13064 County Road 370, Sterling. Reservations (970) 522-3035. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 113; 6,418 yards. (See Map Gold #26)

Saddleback Golf Club

8631 Frontier St., Firestone. Reservations (303) 833-5000. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 128. 6,928 yards. (See Map Gold #27

Southridge Golf Club

5750 S. Lemay Ave., Fort Collins. Reservations (970) 416-2828. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 122; 6,372 yards. (See Map Gold #29)



Sterling Country Club

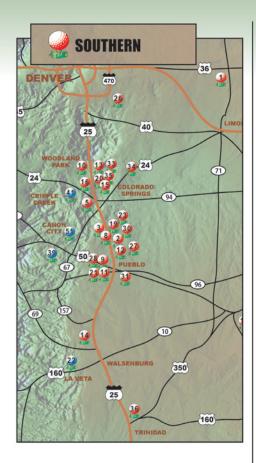
17408 Hwy 14, Sterling. Reservations (970) 522-3776. Private-18 holes.6,406 yards. (See Map Gold #30)

Twin Peaks Golf Course

1200 Cornell St., Longmont. Reservations (303) 772-1722. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 123; 6,830 yards. (See Map Gold #34

Ute Creek Golf Course

2000 Ute Creek Drive, Ute Creek. Reservations (303) 776-7662. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 127; 7,167 yards. (See Map Gold #35)



Antelope Hills Golf Course

600 Antelope Drive West, Bennett. Reservations (303) 644-5992, Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 125; 7,315 yards. (See Map Red #1)

Antler Creek

9650 Antler Creek Drive, Falcon. Reservations (719) 494-1900. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 146; 7,007 yards. (See Map Red #34)

Appletree Golf Course

10150 Rolling Ridge Rd., Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 382-3649. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 122; 6,407 yards. (See Map Red #2)

Broadmoor Golf Club

One Portales Road, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 577-5790. Resort-54 holes. Par 72. 7,115 yards. (See Map Red #3)

Cheyenne Shadows

7800 Titus Blvd., Fort Carson. Reservations (719) 526-4122. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 129.l 6,959 yards. (See Map Red #12)

Chipeta Golf Course

222 29 Road, Grand Junction. Reservations (970) 245-7177. Public-18 holes. 3,749 yards.

(See Map Red #5)

Colorado Springs Country Club 333 Templeton Gap Road, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 473-1782. Private-18 holes. 6,851 yards. (See Map Red #5)

Cougar Canyon Golf Links

304 Shanahan Dr., Trinidad. Reservations (719) 422-7015. Public-18holes. Par 72. Slope 139. Rating 76.2; 7,659 yards (See Map Red #36)

Country Club of Colorado 125 E. Clubhouse Drive, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 538-4086. Resort-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 134; 7,058 yards. (See Map Red #8)

Desert Hawk at Pueblo West Golf Club

251 S. McCullogh Blvd., Pueblo West. Reservations (719) 547-2280. Public-18 holes. 7,368 yards. (See Map Red #9)

Eisenhower Golf Course U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 333-4735. Military-36 holes: Par 72; Slope 136; 7,291 yards. (See Map Red #10)

Elmwood Golf Course

3900 Thatcher Ave., Pueblo. Reservations (719) 561-4946. Public-27 holes. Par 70. Slope 106; 6,483 yards. (See Map Red #11)

Flying Horse, The Club at

1880 Weiskopf Point, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 487-2620. Private-18 holes Par 72. Slope 137; 7,295 yards. (See Map Red #35)

Gleneagle Golf Course

345 Mission Hills Way, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 488-0900, Public-18 hole. (See Map Red #13)

Pine Creek Golf Club

9850 Divot Trail, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 594-9999. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 139; 7,050 yards. (See Map Red #20)

Pueblo Country Club 3200 8th Ave., Pueblo. Reservations (719) 542-2941. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 122; 6,428 yards. (See Map Red #21)

Silver Spruce Golf Club

401 Glasgow, Peterson AFB. Reservations (719) 556-7233. Military-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 123; 6,844 yards. (See Map Red #23)

Spring Valley Golf Course

42350 Road 21, Elizabeth. Reservations (303) 646-4240. Public-18 holes. 6,910 yards. (See Map Red #26)

Springs Ranch Golf Club

3525 Tutt Blvd., Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 573-4863. Public-18 holes. 7,092 yards.

(See Map Red #27)

Sumo Golf Village, The 2960 Siloam Rd., Florence. Reservations (719) 784-4000. Public-18 holes. (See Map Red #28)



Hollydot Golf Course

55 N. Park Way, Colorado City. Reservations (719) 676-3341. Public-27 holes. Gold Links: Par 71; Slope 122; 7,009 yards. West: Par36; Slope 116; 3,205 yards.

(See Map Red #14)

King' s Deer

19255 Royal Troon Dr., Monument. Reservations (719) 481-2272 ext. 250. Public-18 holes. (See Map Red #15)

Kissing Camels Golf Club

3320 Mesa Road, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 632-5541. Private-27 holes. Par 70. Slope 121; 6,951 yards. (See Map Red #16)

Patty Jewett Golf Club

900 E. Espinola, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 385-6934. Public-27 holes. Par 72/34. Slope 120/110; 6,811 yards. (See Map Red #19)

Valley Hi Golf Club

610 S. Chelton, Colorado Springs. Reservations (719) 385-6911. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 118; 6,890 yards. (See Map Red #30)

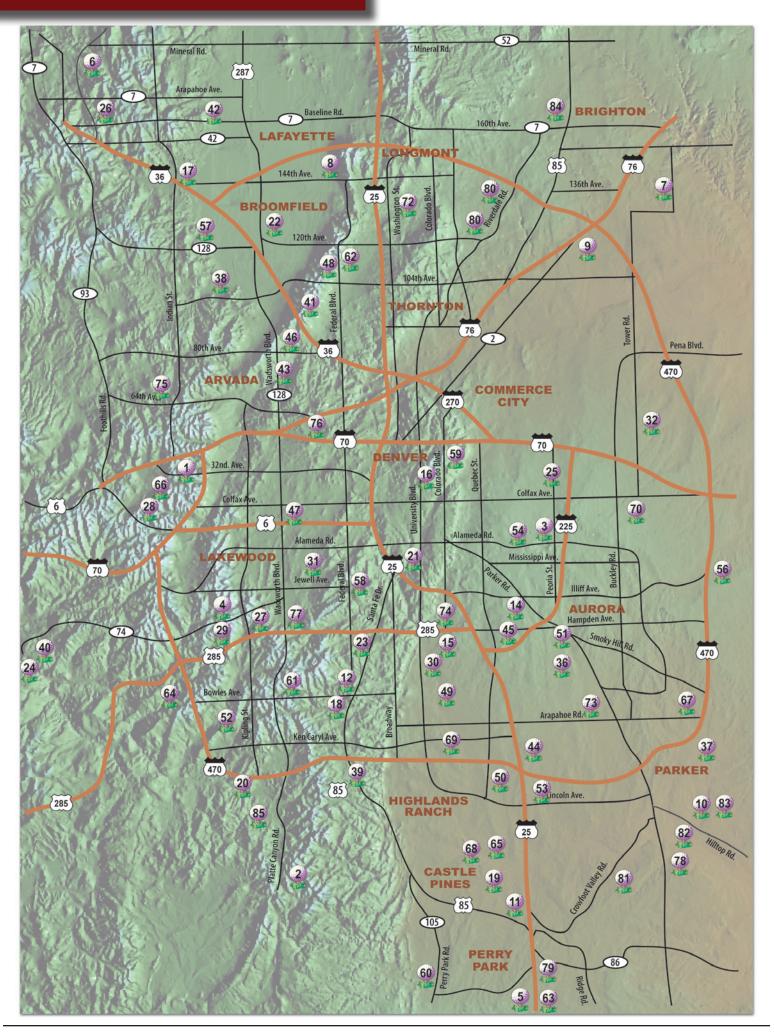
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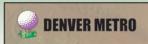
4301 Walking Stick Blvd., Pueblo. Reservations (719) 584-3400. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; 7,142 yards. (See Map Red #31)

Woodmoor Pines

18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. Reservations (719) 481-2272 ext. 250. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 133; 6,734 yards. (See Map Red #33)

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Applewood Golf Club

14001 W. 32nd Ave., Golden. Reservations (303) 279-3003. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 122; 6,145 yards. (See Map Purple #1)

Arrowhead Golf Club

10850 W. Sundown Trail, Littleton. Reservations (303) 973-9614. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 134; 6,662 yards. (See Map Purple #2)

Aurora Hills Golf Course

50 S. Peoria St., Aurora. Reservations (303) 397-1818, (303) 343-4935. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 115; 6,735 yards. (See Map Purple #3)

Bear Creek Golf Club

12201 Morrison Rd., Denver. Reservations (303) 980-8700. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 139; 7,221 yards. (See Map Purple #4)

Bear Dance

6630 Bear Dance Road, Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 681-4653. Public-18 hole. Par 72; Slope 137. (See Map Purple #5)

Black Bear Golf Club

11400 Canterberry Pkwy., Parker. Reservations (303) 840-3100. Public-18 holes. Par 72. 7,178 yards. (See Map Purple #10)

Blackstone Country Club

7777 Country Club Dr., Aurora. Reservations (303) 680-0245. 18- Private.Par 72.Slope 144; 7,331 yards. (See Map Purple #83)

Boulder Country Club 7350 Clubhouse Road, Boulder. Reservations (303) 530-2226. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 130; 7,043 yards. (See Map Purple #6)

Box Elder Creek Golf Course

32000 E 144th Ave, Brighton. Reservations (303) 659-7177 Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; Yards 6,830 (See Map Purple #7)

Broadlands Golf Course

4380 W. 144th Ave., Broomfield. Reservations (303) 466-8285. Public-18 holes, 7,263 yards. (See Map Purple #8)

Buffalo Run Golf Course

15700 E. 112th Ave., Commerce City. Reservations (303) 289-1500. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 121; 7,411 yards. (See Map Purple #9)

Castle Pines Golf Club

1000 Hummingbird Drive, Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 688-6022. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 149; 7,559 yards. (See Map Purple #11)

Cherry Creek Country Club

9200 E. Iliff, Denver. Reservations (303) 755-5689. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 133. 7,316 yards. (See Map Purple #14)

Cherry Hills Country Club

4125 S. University Blvd., Cherry Hills Village. Reservations (303) 761-9900. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 141; 7,160 yards. (See Map Purple #15)

City Park Golf Course

411 S. Bryan Ave., Denver. Reservations (970) 221-6650. Public-18 holes. Par 36. Slope 114; 6,285 yards. (See Map Purple #16)

Coal Creek Golf Course

585 W. Dillon Rd., Louisville. Reservations (303) 666-7888. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; 6,921 yards. (See Map Purple #17)

Colorado Golf Club

7803 East Stroh Rd. Reservations (303) 840-5400. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 143; 7,604 yards. (See Map Purple #82)

Columbine Country Club

17 Fairway Lane, Littleton. Reservations (303) 794-6333. Private-18 holes. Par 76. Slope 145; 7,427 yards. (See Map Purple #18)

Common Ground Golf Course

10300 E. Golfers Way, Aurora. Reservation (303) 340-1520 Opening May 2009. (See Map Purple #54)

Country Club at Castle Pines

6400 Country Club Dr., Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 688-6400. Private-18 holes. Par 73. Slope 141. 7,143 yards. (See Map Purple #19)

Deer Creek Golf Club at Meadow Ranch

8137 Shaffer Parkway, Littleton. Reservations (303) 978-1800, Public 18-holes. (See Map Purple #20)

Denver Country Club 1700 E. 1st Ave. & Gilpin St., Denver. Reservations (303) 733-2444. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 130; 6,798 yards. (See Map Purple #21)

Eagle Trace Golf Club

1200 Clubhouse Dr., Broomfield. Reservations (303) 466-3322. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 117; 6,530 yards. (See Map Purple #22)

Englewood Golf Course

2101 W. Oxford, Engelwood. Reservations (303) 762-2670. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 126; 6,836 yards. (See Map Purple #23)

Evergreen Golf Course

29614 Upper Bear Creek Road, Evergreen. Reservations (303) 674-6351. Public-18 holes. Par 69. Slope 111; 4,877 yards. (See Map Purple #24)

Fitzsimons Golf Club

2323 Scranton, Aurora. Reservations (303) 397-1818, (303) 364-8125. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 115; 6,530 yards. (See Map Purple #25)

Flatirons Golf Course

5706 E. Arapahoe Rd., Boulder. Reservations (303) 442-7851. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 125; 6,782 yards. (See Map Purple #26)

Foothills Golf Course

3901 S. Carr St., Denver. Reservations (303) 989-3901. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 122; 6,801 yards. (See Map Purple #27)

Fossil Trace Golf Club

3050 Illinois Street, Golden. Reservations (303) 277-8750. Public-18 holes. (See Map Purple #28)

Fox Hollow Golf Course

13410 W. Morrison Rd., Lakewood. Reservations (303) 986-7888. Public-27 holes. Canyon Meadows: Par 71; slope 138; 6,808 yards. Links-Meadows: Par 72; slope 132; 6,888 yards. Canyon Links: Par 71; slope 134; 7,030 yards. (See Map Purple #29)

Fox Hollow Golf Course, The Homestead

11500 West Hampden Ave., Lakewood. Reservations (720) 963-5181. Public-18 holes. Par 62. Slope 110. 5,048 yards. (See Map Purple #29)

Glenmoor Country Club

110 Glenmoor Drive, Cherry Hills. Reservations (303) 781-0400. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 134; 6,621 yards. (See Map Purple #30)

Green Gables Country Club

6800 W. Jewell, Denver. Reservations (303) 985-1525. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 128; 6,707 yards. (See Map Purple #31)

Green Valley Ranch Golf Course

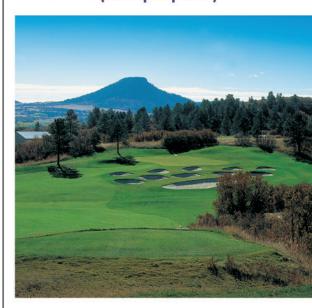
4900 Himalaya Road, Denver. Reservations (303) 371-3131, Public 18-hole, 7,200 yards. (See Map Purple #32)

Heather Ridge Country Club

13521 E. Iliff Ave., Aurora. Reservations (303) 397-1818, (303) 755-3550. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 113; 5,898 yards. (See Map Purple #36)

Heritage at Eagle Bend Country Club

23155 East Heritage Pkwy, Aurora. Reservations (303) 400-6700. Public-18 holes. (See Map Purple #37)



Heritage Todd Creek

15343 Heritage Circle, Thornton. Reservations (720) 685-0873. Public-18 holes. (See Map Purple #84)

Heritage at Westmoor

10555 Westmoor Dr., Westminster. Reservations (303) 469-2974. Public-18 holes. (See Map Purple #38)

Highlands Ranch Golf Club

9000 Creekside Way, Highlands Ranch. Reservations (303) 471-0000. Public-18 holes. Slope 125; 7,076 yards. (See Map Purple #39)

Hiwan Golf Club

30671 Clubhouse Lane, Evergreen. Reservations (303) 674-3369. Private-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 143; 6,961 yards. (See Map Purple #40)

Hyland Hills, The Courses at

9650 N. Sheridan Blvd., Westminster. Reservations (303) 428-6526. Public-27 holes. (See Map Purple #41)

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Indian Peaks Golf Course

2300 Indian Peaks Trail, Lafayette. Reservations (303) 666-4706. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 134; 7,083 yards. (See Map Purple #42)

Indian Tree Golf Club

7555 Wadsworth Blvd., Lafayette. Reservations (303) 403-2541. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 114; 6,723 yards. (See Map Purple #43)

Inverness Golf Club

200 Inverness Way West, Englewood. Reservations (303) 397-7878. Resort-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 136; 6,889 yards. (See Map Purple #44)

Kennedy Golf Center

10500 E. Hampden Ave., Denver. Reservations (303) 755-0105. Public-27 holes. Par 72. 7,009 yards. (See Map Purple #45)

Lake Arbor Golf Course

8600 Wadsworth Blvd., Arvada. Reservations (303) 423-1643. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 111; 5,865 yards. (See Map Purple #46)

Lakewood Country Club 6800 W.10th, Lakewood. Reservations (303) 233-0503. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 137; 6,699 yards. (See Map Purple #47)

Legacy Ridge Golf Course

10801 Legacy Ridge Pkwy., Westminster. Reservations (303) 438-8997. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 134; 7,251 yards. (See Map Purple #48)

Link at Highlands Ranch

5815 E. Gleneagles Village Parkway, Highlands Ranch. Reservations (303) 470-9292. Public-18 holes. Par 62. Slope 91; 4,580 yards. (See Map Purple #49)

Littleton Golf & Tennis Club

5800 S. Federal Blvd., Littleton. Reservations (303) 794-5838. Public-18 holes. 4,706 yards. (See Map Purple #12)



Lone Tree Golf Club

9808 Sunningdale Blvd., Lone Tree. Reservations (303) 799-9940. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 133; 7,039 yards. (See Map Purple #50)

Meadow Hills Golf Course

3609 S. Dawson St., Aurora. Reservations (303) 397-1818, (303) 690-2500. Public-18 holes. Par 70. Slope 133; 6,492 yards. (See Map Purple #51)

Meadows Golf Club

6937 So. Simms, Littleton. Reservations (303) 972-8831. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 130; 6,996 yards. (See Map Purple #52)

Meridian Golf Club

9742 S. Meridian Blvd., Englewood. Reservations (303) 799-4043. Private-18 holes. 7,243 yards. (See Map Purple #53)

Murphy Creek Golf Course

Gun Club Road & Jewell, Aurora. Reservations (303) 397-1818, (303) 361-7300, Public-18 Holes, Par 72, 7,456 yards. (See Map Purple #56)

Omni Interlocken Resort, 800 Eldorado Blvd., Broomfield. Reservations (303) 464-9000, Resort-27 holes. (See Map Purple #57)

Overland Park Golf Course

1801 So. Huron St., Denver. Reservations (303) 777-7331. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 114; 6,565 yards. (See Map Purple #58)

Park Hill Golf Club

4141 E. 35th Ave., Denver. Reservations (303) 333-5411. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 120; 6,675 yards. (See Map Purple #59)

Perry Park Country Club

7047 Perry Park Blvd., Larkspur. Reservations (303) 681-3186. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 134; 6,938 yards. (See Map Purple #60)

Pinehurst Country Club

6255 W. Quincy, Denver. Reservations (303) 985-1559. Private-27 holes. Par 70, 6.654. (See Map Purple #77)

Pinery Country Club

6900 Pinery Parkway, Parker. Reservations (303) 841-2850. Private-27 holes. Par 72. Lake Valley: Slope 126; 7,040 yards. Mountain Lake: Slope 125; 6,832 yards. Valley Mountain: Slope 127; 7,018 yards. (See Map Purple #78)

Plum Creek Golf and Country Club

331 Players Club Drive, Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 688-2611. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 134; 7,188 yards. (See Map Purple #79)

Pradera, The Club at

5225 Raintree Dr., Parker Reservations (303) 607-5678. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 69.9/122; 6,600 yards. (See Map Purple #81)

Raccoon Creek Golf Club

7301 W. Bowles Ave. Littleton. Reservations (303) 973-4653. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 120; 7,045 yards. (See Map Purple #61)

Ranch Country Club

11887 Tejon St., Westminster. Reservations (303) 466-2111. Private-18 hole. Par 70. Slope 131. 6,628 yards. (See Map Purple #62)

Ravenna, The Golf Club at

11118 Caretaker Rd. Reservations (720) 956-1600. Private-18 hole. Par 71. Slope 149; 7,263 yards. (See Map Purple #85)

Red Hawk Ridge Golf Course

2156 Red Hawk Ridge Dr., Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 663-7150. Public-18 holes. (See Map Purple #63)

Red Rocks Country Club at Willow Springs

16234 W. Belleview Ave., Morrison. Reservations (303) 697-8008. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 134; 6,413 yards. (See Map Purple #64)

Ridge at Castle Pines North

1414 Castle Pines Pkwy., Castle Rock. Reservations (303) 688-0100. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 131; 6,939 yards. (See Map Purple #65)

Riverdale Golf Courses (Dunes & Knolls)

13300 Riverdale Rd., Brighton. Reservations (303) 659-6700. Public-36 holes. 7,027 yards. (See Map Purple #80)

Rolling Hills Country Club

15800 W. 32nd Ave. Reservations (303) 279-7858. Private-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 131; 6,816 yards. (See Map Purple #66)

Saddle Rock Golf Course

21705 E. Arapahoe Road, Aurora. Reservations (303) 699-3939. Public 18-holes. Par 72. Slope 136; 7,351 yards. (See Map Purple #67)

Sanctuary 7543 Daniels Park Road, Sedalia. Reservations (303) 814-1127. Private-18-holes. Par 72. 7,037 yards. (See Map Purple #68)

South Suburban Golf Course

7900 S. Colorado Blvd., Centennial. Reservations (303) 770-5508. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 120; 6,698 yards. (See Map Purple #69)

Springhill Golf Course

800 Telluride, Aurora, Reservations (303) 397-1818. (303) 739-6854. Public-18 holes. Par 64. Slope 96; 5,001 yards. (See Map Purple #70)

Thorncreek Golf Club

13555 Washington St., Thornton. Reservations (303) 450-7055. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 136; 7,124 yards. (See Map Purple #72)

Valley Country Club 14601 E. Country Club Dr., Aurora. (303) 690-6377. Private-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 132; 7,043 yards. (See Map Purple #73)

Wellshire Golf Course

3333 S. Colorado Blvd., Denver. Reservations (303) 757-1352. Public-18 holes. Par 71. Slope 123; 6,541 yards. (See Map Purple #74)

West Woods Golf Club

6655 Quaker St., Arvada. Reservations (720) 898-7371. Public-27 holes. Par 72. Slope 135; 6,896 yards. (See Map Purple #75)

Willis Case Golf Course

4999 Vrain St., Denver. Reservations (303) 455-9801. Public-18 holes. Par 72. Slope 119; 6,364 yards. (See Map Purple #76)



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Adams Rib Ranch	Eagle	\$150,000	\$825	No	\$0	300	GTFSSp	970-328-2326
Aspen Glen	Carbondale	\$100,000	\$725	No	\$0	535	GTSFSp	970-704-1988
Bear Creek CC	Lakewood	\$40,000	\$625	No	\$0	350	G	303-980-8700
Blackstone CC	Aurora	\$26,000	\$350	No	No	450	GTFS	303-688-0245
Bookcliff CC	Grand Junction	\$ 5,000	\$340	No	\$50	520	GTSFSp	970-243-3323
Boulder CC	Boulder	\$30,000	\$412	No	\$75	500	GTSFSp	303-530-4600
Broadmoor CC	Colorado Springs	\$60,000	\$515	Yes	\$0	700	GTSFSp	719-577-5790
Castle Pines CC	Castle Rock	Market Price	\$525	No	\$150 quarter	ly 450	G	303-660-6807
Castle Pines GC	Castle Rock	\$150,000	\$1,200	Invitation Only	\$0	350	G	303-688-6022
Catamount Ranch	Steamboat Springs	\$80,000	\$520	Yes	\$0	375	GTSF	970-871-9200
Colo Golf Club	Parker	\$95,000	\$550	Yes	\$0	367	G	303-840-5400
CC of Colorado	Colorado Springs	\$27,500	\$345	No	\$0	450	GTSF	719-538-4080
CC of Rockies	Edwards	\$150,000	\$8250/A	No	\$0	350	G	970-926-3021
Cherry Creek CC	Denver	\$75,000	\$600	Yes	\$0	445	GTSF	303-755-0711
Cherry Hills CC	Englewood	\$120,000	\$680	Yes	\$0	500	GTS	303-761-9900
Colo Springs CC	Colorado Springs	\$15,000	\$315	No	\$35	425	GTS	719-634-8851
Cotton Ranch Club	Gympsum	\$37,000	\$280	No	\$0	450	GTSF	970-524-6200
Columbine CC	Columbine Valley	\$50,000	\$565	N/A	\$63	430	GTS	303-794-2674
Cordillera	Edwards	\$115,000*	\$927	Invitation Only	\$0	1085	GTSFSp	970-569-6480
Denver CC	Denver	\$75,000	\$500	Yes	\$50	625	GTS	303-733-2441
Eagle Springs GC	Wolcott	\$70,000	\$12,000/A	Invitation Only	\$0	250	G	970-926-4400
Eaton CC	Eaton	\$2,000	\$169	No	\$25	485	G	970-454-2587
Flying Horse CC	Colo Springs	\$39,000	\$400	No	\$0	450	GTFSSp	719-494-1222
Fox Acres CC	Red Feather Lakes	\$47,500	\$9600/A	No	\$0	300	GTSFSp	970-881-2191
Fox Hill CC	Longmont	\$3,000	\$340	No	\$60	450	GTS	303-772-1061
Ft Collins CC	Ft Collins	\$9,000	\$415	No	\$0	500	GTSSp	970-482-1336
Garden of the Gods Club	Colorado Springs	\$12,500	\$395	No	\$0	0	GTSFSp	719-632-5541
Glacier Club	Durango	\$70,000	\$575	No	\$1000 annually	y 675	GTSF	970-375-8300
Glenmoor CC	Cherry Hills Village	\$35,000	\$500	No	\$50	450	GTSF	303-781-3000
Green Gables	Denver	\$45,000	\$550	No	\$50	395	GTSF	303-985-4433
Harmony Club	Timnath	\$12,500	\$250	No	\$0	480	G	970-482-4653
Heather Ridge CC	Aurora	\$7,500	\$315	No	\$50	500	GSF	303-755-3660
Hiwan Golf	Evergreen	\$25,000	\$440	No	\$50	N/A	GTSF	303-674-3366
Inverness GC	Englewood	\$5,400	annually	No	\$0	350	GTSF	303-397-7878
Ironbridge GC	Glenwood Springs	\$15,000	\$262	No	\$0	450	GST	970-384-0630
Lake Valley GC	Niwot	\$9,000	\$261	No	\$0	478	G	303-444-2114
Lakewood Country Club	Lakewood	\$39,000	\$470	No	\$75	450	GTSF	303-233-4614
Maroon Creek	Aspen	\$350,000	\$17,000/A	Invitation Only	\$75	350	GTSF	970-920-1533
Meridian GC	Englewood	\$6,000	\$315	No	\$0	500	G	303-799-4043
Perry Park CC	Larkspur	\$10,000	\$280	No	\$50	400	G	303-681-3305
Pinehurst CC	Denver	\$32,000	\$380	No	\$50	800	GTS	303-985-1551
Pinery	Parker	\$20,000	\$355	No	\$25	700	GTSF	303-841-5157
Plum Creek GC	Castle Rock	\$500	\$125/350	No	\$10	450	GTSF	303-688-2612
Pradera, The Club at	Parker	\$31,000	\$380	No	\$0	450	GTF	303-607-5672
Ptarmigan Country Club	Ft. Collins	\$7,500	\$300	No	\$50	500	GTS	970-226-8555
Pueblo CC	Pueblo	\$1,200	\$268	No	\$0	800	GTS	719-543-4844
Ravenna, The GC at	Littleton	\$75,000	\$395	No	\$0	425	GTSFSp	720-956-1600
Red Rocks CC	Morrison	\$20,000	\$385	No	\$50	450	GS	303-697-4438
Red Sky Golf Club	Wolcott	\$175,000	\$691	No	\$0	425	GTS	970-754-8400
Roaring Fork	Basalt	\$225,000	\$975	No	\$100	525	GTSF	970-927-9000
Rolling Hills CC	Golden	\$28,000	\$420	No	\$60	450	GTS	303-279-3334
Snowmass Club	Snowmass	\$65,000	\$575	No	\$67	375	GTSF	970-923-5600
Sterling CC	Sterling	\$500	\$295	No	\$25	450	GTS	970-522-3776
The Ranch	Westminster	\$17,288	\$365	No	\$100	425	GTS	303-460-9700
Valley CC	Aurora	\$40,000	\$450	No	\$50	470	GTSF	303-690-6373
Woodmoor Pines	Monument	\$8,000	\$310	No	\$0	450	GTSF	719-481-2266
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Notes: All of the dubs indicated different priced memberships (individual, family, corporate, etc.,) therefore, prices reflect information on family memberships if possible. Most initiation fees could be spread over two to four years, with interest or servi charges. Additional fees a west universal for golf carry, running \$11 to \$14 per person. Other are for other server for dubs offering indoor tennis courts, and they would charge a fee for other use. Represents membership at 3 golf courses. Membership and services and the contraction of the prophership of

The Latest News And Stats On Colorado PGA Players Player Profile: Martin Laird By Steve Trivett

Martin Laird isn't the first son of Scotland to make a splash on the professional golf scene, but none of the others, starting with Old Tom Morris and running all the way through Colin Montgomerie, did it with a stop in Colorado.

Laird graduated from Colorado State University in 2004 and first earned exemption on the 2008 PGA Tour by finishing 13th on the final Nationwide Tour money list in 2006. He stayed there by grabbing the 125th and final fully exempt spot on the 2008 year-end PGA money-winning list. Now, he's come up victorious at the 2009 Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in Las Vegas.

Martin Charles Campbell Laird—he comes from a long line of Scottish royalty out of the Campbell Clan—is now part of the royalty of the PGA Tour. The Shriners victory not only gives him exempt status on the PGA Tour for two years, it means he has earned his way into such prestigious 2010 events as the Arnold Palmer Invitational, the Memorial, the Players Championship and the PGA Championship. He's also on the short list of possible qualifiers for the Masters, and a full exemption into the U.S. Open is possible if he opens the 2010 season with the kind of play that carried him to victory in The City That Never Sleeps.

Tied with PGA Tour winners Chad Campbell—no relation—and George McNeil at the end of 72 holes at TPC Summerlin, Laird took the title in a sudden-death playoff.

While becoming a PGA Tour winner was always on the mind of the young man who entered the world on Dec. 29, 1982 in Glasgow, he figured a stop at the collegiate golf level would help him to reach his ultimate goal. It did. While getting a degree in marketing at CSU, Laird was a two-time All-American selection and set school records for wins, top-10s and top-25 finishes in college events.

"I knew when I went to CSU I wasn't good enough to play on the PGA Tour," he said following his Las Vegas victory. "It was a case of seeing how far my game would progress during four years of college golf."

Paying dues is now paying off.

"I keep asking myself, 'Is this really happening?" he said. "This was my first time ever in the final pairing on Sunday and really the first time I was ever in contention going into a final round. I'm proud of the way I played."

The last Scotsman to win on the PGA Tour was Sandy Lyle, who captured the 1988 Masters. But another Scot, Montgomerie, could have a big hand in Laird's future, especially if the 27-year-old should win again. Monty is the captain of the European Ryder Cup team that will face the American squad in 2010 at Celtic Manor in Wales.

It's not like playing college golf in America stops anyone from making the European side for the Ryder Cup. Just ask Paul Casey (Arizona State) and Luke Donald (Northwestern).

Steve Trivett is a staff writer with Colorado Golf Magazine





MARK WIEBE (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$817,048



Toshiba Classic AT&T Champions Classic \$13,430 \$20,068 3/29 The Cap Cana Championship T36 \$12,040 4/19 Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am T33 T3 \$10,072 \$99,000 4/26 Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf T44 5/17 Regions Charity Classic \$6,290 5/24 5/31 Senior PGA Championship Principal Charity Classic T44 T4 \$6,000 \$103,500 6/07 Triton Financial Classic T24 \$15,640 T36 T64 T47 \$8,600 \$2,362 \$9,440 6/28 Dicks Sporting Goods Open 7/12 3M Championship The Senior Open Championship 7/26 8/2 8/23 U.S. Senior Open Championship JELD-WEN Tradition \$29,604 \$12,220 8/30 Boeing Classic T16 \$27,945 9/6 9/20 Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach T21
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MIKE REID (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$668,807



The Cap Cana Championship Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am Regions Charity Classic T34 \$9,282 Senior PGA Championship Principal Charity Classic \$6,000 \$35,075 T44 5/31 T12 6/07 Triton Financial Classic T55 \$3 440 Dicks Sporting Goods Open \$2,640 \$4,725 3M Championship The Senior Open Championship 7/12 T51 T47 7/26 \$9,440 8/2 8/23 U.S. Senior Open Championship JELD-WEN Tradition T36 P1 \$14,677 \$392,000 Boeing Classic Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn 8/30 T50 \$4.896 \$10,920 \$9,300 9/27 SAS Championship T71 \$1,659 Constellation Energy Sr. Players Champ Administaff Small Business Classic \$67,500 \$11,754 T30 10/18 \$7,310 \$33,000 10/25 AT&T Charles Schwab Cup Championship

CRAIG STADLER (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$451,762



Mitsubishi Electic Championship 1/25 T15 \$30.00 2/15 Allianz Championship \$1,445 \$3,440 T69 3/08 Toshiba Classic 3/15 3/29 4/19 AT&T Champions Classic The Cap Cana Championship Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am T55 T15 T21 \$33,642 \$17,995 4/26 Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf T2 \$132,500 5/24 5/31 Senior PGA Championship CUT \$15,417 Principal Charity Classic T24 6/07 Triton Financial Classic T37 \$8,480 6/28 7/26 Dicks Sporting Goods Open
The Senior Open Championship W/D T77 \$2,420 \$14,677 \$29,575 \$72,000 U.S. Senior Open Championship JELD-WEN Tradition 8/2 T36 8/23 8/30 Boeing Classic Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach T46 9/6 \$6,930 9/20 Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn \$18,112 9/27 SAS Championship T53 \$4,935 Constellation Energy Senior Players Champ
Administaff Small Business Classic T19
AT&T T14 10/04 T47 \$8.640 \$21,802 \$29,750 10/25 11/20 Champions Tour Q-School T8 \$9,000

HALE IRWIN (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS 0F 12/15/09: \$297,161



Toshiba Classic 3/15 AT&T Champions Classic T30 \$11.306 3/29 4/19 The Cap Cana Championship Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am T43 T33 \$8.610 \$10,072 5/17 Regions Charity Classic T74 \$1.088 5/24 5/31 Senior PGA Championship Principal Charity Classic \$3,908 \$15,417 T24 T62 T36 T51 6/07 Triton Financial Classic \$2,400 6/28 7/12 Dicks Sporting Goods Open \$8,600 \$4,725 3M Championship U.S. Senior Open Championship JELD-WEN Tradition 8/2 T32 \$17 480 8/23 \$14,040 \$13,995 8/30 Boeing Classic T27 Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach 9/6 \$14,040 9/27 SAS Championship Constellation Energy Sr. Players Champ \$3,780 \$40,770 10/04 T15 10/18 Administaff Small Business Classic \$1.088 \$68,000

R.W. EAKS (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$279,696



\$11,730 Allianz Championship 2/15 T31 2122 The ACE Group Classic W/D 3/29 The Cap Cana Championship \$67,200 4/19 Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am T28 \$13,464 \$21,750 Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf 4/26 T18 5/17 5/24 5/31 Regions Charity Classic Senior PGA Championship W/D CUT Principal Charity Classic W/D 6/07 6/28 T42 T33 \$7,040 \$10,890 Dicks Sporting Goods Open 3M Championship
U.S. Senior Open Championship
JELD-WEN Tradition 7/12 T22 \$16,838 \$14,677 \$22,100 8/23 T27 Boeing Classic Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach 8/30 \$22,320 9/6 9/20 \$14,201 \$1,925 Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn T66 SAS Championship Constellation Energy Sr. Players Champ \$15,210 \$11,340 9/27 10/18 Administaff Small Business Classic T37 \$9,010 10/25 ΔΤ&Τ W/D Champions Tour Q-School \$9,000

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GARY HALLBERG (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$241,761



The ACF Group Classic 3/15 AT&T Champions Classic
The Cap Cana Championship T25 \$14,592 \$16,632 \$1,785 3/29 4/19 T28 T67 Outback Steakhouse Pro-Am 5/17 5/24 Regions Charity Classic Senior PGA Championship \$2,635 \$7,885 T37 5/31 Principal Charity Classic T32 T28 T8 \$11.643 \$11,626 \$49,500 \$7,700 6/07 6/28 Triton Financial Classic Dicks Sporting Goods Open 7/12 3M Championship T42 7/26 The Senior Open Championship \$7,480 8/2 U.S. Senior Open Championship CUT 8/30 Boeing Classic \$13,995 9/6 9/20 Walmart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach Greater Hickory Classic At Rock Barn \$44,100 \$2,450 T63 SAS Championship Constellation Energy Sr. Players Champ Administaff Small Business Classic 9/27 T67 \$2,310 \$40,770 \$3,400 \$2,040 10/18 T55 10/25 ΔΤ&Τ T65 Champions Tour Q-School

DALE DOUGLASS (SR. Tour)

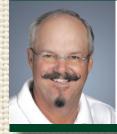
TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$10,000



Legends of Golf \$10,000 5/24 Senior PGA Championship CUT 8/2 U.S. Senior Open Championship CUT

GARY MCCORD (SR. Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$6,995



3/08 Toshiba Classic T57 \$3,060 AT&T Champions Classic T63 \$2,080 7/12 3M Championship \$1,855 T66

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS 0F 12/15/09: \$925,514 KEVIN STADLER (PGA Tour)



3/01	Mayakoba Golf Classic	T20	\$36,315
3/15	Puerto Rico Open	T44	9,363
4/05	Shell Houston Open	CUT	
4/26	T24	T70	\$48,746
5/17	Valero Texas Open	T32	\$32,330
5/24	HP Byron Nelson Championship	CUT	
6/14	St. Jude Classic	T12	\$123.200
6/28	Travelers Championship	CUT	
7/5	AT&T National	T70	\$11.940
7/12	John Deere Classic	CUT	
7/19	U.S. Bank Championship in Milwaukee	T42	\$14,400
7/26	RBC Canadian Open	T55	\$11,679
8/2	Buick Open	T28	\$31,790
8/9	Legends Reno-Tahoe Open	T42	\$10,500
8/23	Wyndham Championship	P2	\$448,880
8/30	The Barclays	CUT	
9/07	Deutsche Bank Championship	CUT	
10/04	Turning Stone Resort Championship	T23	\$51,900

TOMMY ARMOUR III (PGA Tour) TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$503,306



3/08	The Honda Classic	CUT	
3/22	Transitions Championship	T63	\$11,340
3/29	Arnold Palmer Invitational	T52	\$13,851
4/05	Shell Houston Open	T6	\$178,410
4/19	Verizon Heritage	T13	\$94,762
5/03	Quail Hollow Championship	CUT	
5/10	THE PLAYERS Championship	T22	\$79,325
5/24	HP Byron Nelson Championship	T23	\$48,777
5/31	Crowne Plaza Invitational	T64	\$12,958
8/9	Legends Reno-Tahoe Open	T65	\$6,300
8/23	Wyndham Championship	W/D	
10/04	Turning Stone Resort Championship	W/D	
10/18	Justin Timberlake Shriners Open	T69	\$8,442
10/25	Frys.com Open	CUT	
11/15	Children's Miracle Network Classic	CUT	

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 8/19/09: \$265,841 **BRANDT JOBE** (PGA Tour)



MATT GOGEL (PGA Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09:\$0



Results for Matt Gogel will be available after his first 2009 event.

DAVID DUVAL (PGA Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS 0F 12/15/09: \$623,824



TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS 0F 12/15/09: \$327,408 JONATHAN KAYE (PGA Tour)



3/08	The Honda Classic	CUT	
3/22	Transitions Championship	T63	\$11,340
4/05	Shell Houston Open	CUT	
5/03	Quail Hollow Championship	T53	\$14,906
5/17	Valero Texas Open	T11	\$125,050
5/24	HP Byron Nelson Championship	CUT	
6/14	St. Jude Classic	W/D	
6/28	Travelers Championship	CUT	
7/12	John Deere Classic	CUT	
7/19	U.S. Bank Championship in Milwaukee	T65	\$8,320
7/26	RBC Canadian Open	CUT	
8/2	Buick Open	T52	\$11,893
8/9	Legends Reno-Tahoe Open	T9	\$75,000
8/23	Wyndham Championship	W/D	
11/01	Viking Classic	CNL	
12/07	PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament	T34	\$5,000

SHANE BERTSCH (PGA Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$25,000



10/04	Turning Stone Resort Champ.	CUT	
11/01	Viking Classic	CNL	
11/15	Children's Miracle Network Classic	CUT	
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JILL MCGILL (LPGA Tour)

TOTAL WINNING FOR 2009 AS OF 12/15/09: \$84,777



3/08	HSBC Women's Champions	T77	\$3,666
3/22	MasterCard Classic Honoring	CUT	
3/29	J. Golf Phoenix LPGA Intern	CUT	
4/05	Kraft Nabisco Championship	CUT	
4/26	Corona Championship	T14	\$19,201
5/10	Michelob ULTRA Open	T35	\$13,372
5/17	Sybase Classic	T69	\$4,096
5/24	LPGA Corning Classic	CUT	
6/14	McDonald's LPGA Championship	CUT	
6/28	Wegmans LPGA	CUT	
7/5	Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic	CUT	
8/2	RICOH Women's British Open	CUT	
8/30	Safeway Classic	T12	\$26,846
9/06	CN Canadian Women's Open	T52	\$8,877
9/13	P&G Beauty NW Arkansas Championship	p CUT	
9/27	CVS/Pharmacy LPGA Classic	T46	\$4,035
10/4	Navistar LPGA Classic	T77	\$2,341
11/22	LPGA Tour Champ. Rresented by Rolex	CUT	



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LIVING THE GOOD LIFE

Winter doldrums? Not in Colorado where sunshine and amenable weather mean you can frequently ski and golf on the same day

By John Marshall



When the high country is covered in blankets of fresh powder, Denver and the Front Range still enjoy many temperate days. Colorado has more than 300 days of sunshine annually, which means that even in winter residents can often play a round of golf. In fact, one of the major draws of the Front Range is that residents can sometimes ski for a half-day then drive back to Denver for 18 holes of golf.

One course that lends itself to that is **Heritage Todd Creek** in the north metro area. Heritage Todd Creek is an age-restricted development and private community with low-maintenance homes available from the \$200s to \$400s, including attached patio homes as well as single-family homes. At the heart of this active adult community is the stunning resort clubhouse with a delightful mix of social, leisure and recreational opportunities, as well as casual or elegant dining.

In addition to golf there's tennis, as well as swimming in either an indoor or outdoor pool. Inside the clubhouse is a grand ballroom for all kinds of functions, plus fitness, card, computer and craft rooms. And there are walking paths on which residents can take in Colorado's fresh air and sunshine. There is also a community restaurant and grille that provides the perfect opportunity for socializing and meeting friends. Heritage Todd Creek homeowners can enjoy a host of planned activities, including theater, social evenings, exercise and dance classes, day trips, art classes and casino nights.

In the southeast corner of the metro area sits **Blackstone Country Club** with its 7,313-yard, par-72 Jay Morrish golf course, which opened for play in 2008. In addition to play, members have ample opportunity to hone their golf skills at the generous practice ground and short-game facility, which includes a two-tiered driving range, an 11,400-square-foot putting green and 4,000-square-foot chipping green with two practice bunkers.

The impressive clubhouse at Blackstone Country Club extends more than 35,000 square feet and provides a gathering place for members and their families and guests. The English Tudor-inspired building was designed by the award-winning Zmistowski Design Group and is home to an elegant restaurant, bar and grille; golf shop; locker rooms and banquet and meeting facilities. Members of Blackstone enjoy a wealth of amenities, including a 2,000-square-foot fitness center with state-of-the-art strength training and cardiovascular equipment, swimming pool, tennis courts and a juice bar. The development features recreational bike paths and walkways that link the various neighborhoods to a series of community parks.

Blackstone has several onsite builders with homes starting in the mid \$300s. For a home directly on the golf course, however, the starting price is \$500,000. One of the community's greatest assets is its location. It is within the award-winning Cherry Creek School District, near E-470 in the active Smoky Hill corridor. It's also just a short drive to the new Southlands Mall, Park Meadows and countless other shopping and dining venues.







Another newer golf community in the southwest foothills of Denver is the **Golf Club at Ravenna**. The Golf Club at Ravenna opened in 2007and is located near Waterton Canyon, less than 30 minutes from downtown Denver and Cherry Creek. It's just a few minutes from C-470, which makes it ideal for those who are seeking a true mountain country club experience and all the associated amenities, yet with a relatively short commute to Denver. When the build-out is complete, there will be 243 custom homes dotting the beautiful and rugged landscape. Lots range in price from \$350,000 to \$900,000 and in size from about ½ acre to 1.2 acres. Finished home prices start in the \$1.2 million range and climb to over \$5 million.

The course at Ravenna, designed by Jay Morrish, offers a fabulous setting among the red rocks of Waterton Canyon with breathtaking views of the Denver city skyline. Measuring 7,263 yards from the tips, this par-71 layout has the second most difficult slope rating in the state. However, five sets of tees make it playable and enjoyable

for all abilities. Adding to the club amenities is a 7,500-square-foot wellness center with state-of-the-art fitness equipment, yoga and Pilates classes and massage and spa treatments. It overlooks an adult lap pool and children's pool.

When it is complete, Ravenna will offer even more. There will also be a Casting Club with a private cabin and fishing on the South Platte as well expert fly-fishing instruction. And a Vintners Club is also in the plans, one whose onsite sommelier will provide wine suggestions and also manage members' private stock in the club's climate-controlled wine cellars. Partnerships with several vintners and wineries from around the world will give members access to private-label wines and those available only in limited quantities.

One of the most unique features at Ravenna is Gusto Market, a private market where members can shop for fresh fruits and vegetables or other last-minute items. And to make life easier in every way, the club has concierge services, as well as a Director of Pursuits to help members more thoroughly enjoy the club and all it offers and who can also assist members in setting up and planning events such as golf getaways or day trips to local museums, parks and other entertainment venues.

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Golf Club at Ravenna

LIFESTYLE

the finest

in luxury autos, fine dining, high fashion and fine jewelry



BIRTH OF THE NEW HYUNDAI

The Genesis is a true luxury car that won't break—or even dent—the bank, and it's turning heads in the most well-heeled circles

By Aaron Atwood



Hyundai isn't the first car that materializes in most minds dreaming of luxury machines. Such is the fate of an automaker with a sordid past. But the Hyundai Genesis is a leaf turned over by the automaker, giving luxury models with centuries of awards real competition for the hearts and minds of us discerning buyers.

Is the Genesis truly a new beginning?

Let your imagination run wild with this new arrival on the main stage of high-end cars. The Genesis sedan is a rear-wheel drive auto with spirit and grace. Mature beyond its years, the Genesis was only released last year, and immediately Hyundai captured North American Car of the Year honors with the sleek powerhouse.

The 2010 sedan's 4.6-liter V8 bundles a 375 horsepower engine with a six-speed, automatic transmission. The Genesis coupe packs 306 horsepower in its V6 engine and has the look of a lion after a gazelle. Both are bold moves for the South Korean automaker whose reputation has been more discount than debutant.

The sedan's interior feels upscale—think Audi or Lexis. Leather, wood and chrome trim out a spacious cabin, and all-leather seats say executive level position if not, perhaps, of a Fortune 500 company. State-of-the-art controls compete on every level in their simplicity and functionality.

"The Genesis comes fully loaded for thousands less than the competitors," says Elias Mearz, sales associate at Wiley Hyundai in Cathedral City, Calif. "I'm more impressed by this one car than any of the other cars I've sold."

Ripping through the six gears, the sedan feels like it always has a little more to give. The redesigned V8 engine that helped captured Car of the Year awards is long in power, while the rear-wheel drive

gives the car an aggressive feel even though it weighs more than 4,000 pounds.

"When customers see it, they say, 'wow,'" comments Mearz. "Then they drive it and realize how quiet and smooth it is and they are 100-percent sold."

Everything in the Genesis is made to compete with the Big Dogs on the road, from the touch-screen navigation system to the laser-guided cruise-control system. The stereo is one of only two models on the market made by Lexicon. The other: in a Rolls Royce. It's a 14-speaker system that pours into the cabin like sunshine. Clear and pure, there appears to be no expense held back on this sometimes overlooked feature.

The cooled driver's seat is a nice touch on those Indian summer days, while the heated seats make a drive to Tahoe enjoyable even on the worst of winter mornings. The rear seat has a ski pass-through that makes the trip to Tahoe even easier.





An optional rear backup camera gives an added touch and shows that Hyundai isn't backing down from adding features that many of its higher priced competitors offer. Tack on the famous Hyundai ten-year, 100,000-mile power train warranty and you have a keeper. As one sales manager said, "Hyundai isn't offering that warranty because they have to. They are offering it because they believe in the product they are putting on the market."

An interesting fact about the 2009 Genesis that has some dealerships a bit stuck: there are very few models being traded in. Hyundai's certified used car sales departments can't seem to find any owners who want to get rid of these cars, which makes reselling them very difficult. It's unlikely the 2010 model will have any higher trade-in ratio as its added interior features and growing cachet have only helped Hyundai.

"We've had owners trade in their Audi, Mercedes and BMWs for a Genesis," says Mearz.



The trend is likely to continue as consumers realize that the Genesis is the beginning of a beautiful friendship between car and driver—all the amenities you want with none of the bloated price tag.

The Genesis sedan comes fully loaded for about \$42,000, while a base model coupe is around \$22,000. Try that in a BMW 328i and you'll shell out nearly \$50,000 for about 150 less horsepower.

Of course, you'll have that really cool emblem on the hood.

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Where to test drive and buy your own Genesis in Colorado

McDonald Hyundai 6500 S. Broadway Littleton, CO 303.795.1100 mcdonaldag.com

Shortline Hyundai 500 S. Havana Street Aurora, CO 303.785.0218 shortlineonline.com

Phil Long Hyundai 170 W. Motor Way Colorado Springs, CO 719.575.7600 myphillonghyundaisouth.com





LIFE'S A BANQUET IN LODO

Chase away winter's chill at hot new restaurants and veteran venues with American twists and global turns

By Lisa Perry





Escape frosty temperatures with a warm welcome and fired-up fare at LoDo restaurants. Innovative chef creations and globe-spanning cuisines hit the spot from breakfast to late-night in Denver's favorite sports-and-entertainment district.

Organixx

1520 Blake Street, 303.825.1550

"Green" practices, nearly all-organic ingredients and entrées that max out at \$10 guide healthy breakfasts and lunches. Veggie and gluten-free options dot the menu, but a pulled-pork sandwich is just one hearty, natural-meat choice perfect on a winter day. Breakfast till 11a.m. on weekdays, all day weekends for late-risers. Try multigrain pancakes with real maple syrup, or choose items to scramble with organic eggs or tofu. Lunch favorites include a hot wild-caught salmon burger with caramelized onions and "zippy" New Orleans remoulade. Or try the smoked-turkey sandwich with gingered cranberry-apple chutney and brie. Soups, sauces and dressings all made from scratch. Open daily 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Katie Mullen's Irish Pub & Restaurant

1550 Court Street, 303.573.0336

Not technically in LoDo, but just blocks away. The owners grew up in Ireland, operate four bars there and bring their best Emerald Isle practices downtown with an extensive restaurant menu that includes chicken, steak and pork plus seafood specialties. "It's a grownup Irish bar experience," says GM Susan O'Marr, and it tops Guinness sales in Denver. You'll see judges and lawyers at lunch, downtown employees after work and business reps with clients downing a pint (with cigars whenever the patio is open). Mahogany wood and stained-glass windows augment tablecloth service in a fun, chatty atmosphere. Large-screen TVs for multiple sports-watching,

including lots of golf. St. Patrick's Day? Step-dancers, pipers and a band flown in from Ireland. Expect more than a wee bit of revelry. Open daily 11 a.m.-1:30 a.m.

8 Rivers Modern Caribbean

1550 Blake Street, 303.623.3422

Warm up in front of the fireplace in a stylish space with a menu of bold food and 59 different rums. Jerk chicken incorporates chef's secret recipe of spices—flavor first, followed by heat. Diners new to the cuisine can try approachable entrées, others indulge in traditional fiery favorites: jerk pork medallions, curried shrimp or blackened catfish. Rum is taken to the next level with flights and in-store tastings, plus dinner-pairing recommendations from knowledgeable servers. Ambiance evokes the spirit of Bob Marley for a diverse clientele, from island natives to suburban soccer moms. Dinner nightly, lunch added in spring.

Marco's Coal-Fired Pizzeria

2129 Larimer Street, 303.296.7000

Savor a certified Neapolitan pizza prepared by-the-book according to Italy's highest standards using an Italian pizza-mixer and wood oven. Ingredients are top-shelf: the finest wheat flour and tomatoes grown in volcanic ash are flown in from Naples. Owner-chef Mark Dym fell in love with the product, takes pride in his restaurant and insists on meticulous preparation throughout the menu. "Coal-fired" products such as chicken wings, sandwiches and toppings use a separate charcoal cooker. Homemade limoncello is used in a marinade that takes two days to create. It's more than just making a perfect pizza—once you're inside Marco's joint, you're treated like family. Open daily.









1515 Restaurant

1515 Market Street, 303.571.0011

Contemporary American cuisine in an affordable fine-dining atmosphere fuels longtime success. Local products are supplemented by produce from the restaurant's own rooftop greenhouse. Specialty "sous vide" entrées ensure that premium meats are vacuum-sealed and slow-cooked to perfection. Colorado buffalo melts in your mouth, lean and accompanied with blue-cheese gnocchi. Every entrée is chefcreated—even classics such as coq au vin have a unique, signature slant. Desserts are all off-the-beaten-path seductions. New menu lowers entrée prices, but service remains impeccable. The 450-selection wine list has won Wine Spectator's Award of Excellence for the last nine years. Lunch Wednesday to Friday, dinner Monday to Saturday.

Primebar

1515 Arapahoe Street, 303.586.8888

From lunch till late night, Primebar delivers with a comprehensive, contemporary "American with a twist" menu and reasonable prices (\$8-\$24). Nosh on small plates and appetizers including sushi, flatbread sliders and signature calamari with curry-coconut marinade. Entrées include rotisserie chicken roasted in-house and hearty two-handed sandwiches. "Urban lodge" décor is stylish and inviting within a huge space that seats 300 inside, divided into front and back areas. Shoot pool, catch a game on TVs, or hang at the long bar savoring local brews. When temperatures rise, watch 16th Street Mall antics on a large patio with comfy couches and chairs. Live music mid-week and Saturdays, open daily 11 a.m.-1 a.m.



TAG

1441 Larimer Street, 303.996.9985

Known for cutting-edge cuisine, TAG owner-chef Troy Guard was chosen as the Denver Broncos' rep at this year's "Taste of the NFL" bash in Fort Lauderdale. In Larimer Square he gives diners a taste of an off-duty dinner at his place. Shared plates highlight the menu, but solo entrées such as Szechuan Colorado lamb will render you selfish. Constantly changing menu features choices like a flash-seared seafood entrée with "pop rocks," taco sushi with charred ahi and French-onion "soup" dumplings. Huge wine wall accessed with library ladders houses selections to pair with a tasty menu that colors outside the lines. Mixologists (don't call them "bartenders") create liquid nirvana with personal touches. The open kitchen is like hanging out in the most popular room during a party at home. Lunch Monday to Friday, dinner nightly.

Rioia

1431 Larimer Street, 303.820.2282

Rioja has topped Denver's "best" lists for its entire five years of existence with exceptional food and service—management strives for that combo continually. The fine-dining menu features Mediterranean dishes with an emphasis on French, Italian and Spanish flavors: no expected classics, but delicious, innovative entrées inspired by regional flavors. Try Muscovy duck breast, signature tortellini with goat cheese and artichoke mousse, or a warm Brussels sprouts salad. The winter menu is full of hearty dishes alongside delicate pastas. Weekend brunch inspires a cult following for the lamb burger. One manager's favorite dish is the meatloaf sandwich, "...and growing up I hated meatloaf." Rioja's cookbook comes out this year. Lunch Wednesday to Friday, dinner nightly.

Gumbo's

1530 16th Street, 720.956.1490

It's not about heat, but seasoning—herb-and-spice blend "warms your soul," says management. Settle in with hot gumbo and a po' boy sandwich, or étouffée (seafood or meat braised and smothered in sauce, served with white rice). Crowd favorite is sweet-potato catfish with honey, ham and butter glaze, served with sautéed spinach. Pistachio-crusted mahi is pan-sautéed, topped with a cream sauce of shallots and jalapenos, served with jumbo asparagus. Weekday happy hour features drink specials and \$4 menu including jambalaya and barbecued shrimp. The space is casually elegant with mosaic-tile floor, white tablecloths, exposed brick, dark woods and windows. Gumbo's loyal customers include folks who emigrated from New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. Lunch Monday to Friday, dinner nightly.

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RESORT AND CRUISE FASHION '10

Ruffles, sequins, metallics and nautical stripes are hot, hot, hot, so go ahead and make a statement

By Dana Lauren Berry



From November through February, in many parts of the country, the climate is cold and bleak, making fashion take a back seat to Father Winter. The ray of light comes when designers launch their resort/cruise collections, typically out by November, for eager sun-worshippers to snap up for their winter vacations to Palm Beach, the Bahamas, the Cayman Islands and other tropical, fashionable resort locales. If you're lucky enough to escape the doldrums of winter, here's what's hot this season for resort and cruise wear.

FEMININE RUFFLES

Ruffles are in style right now—very trendy, very feminine, very flirty. **AprilMarin** is a custom clothing company that makes the Dylan Ruffle Jacket, \$195, a lightweight, tweed-like jacket with three buttons and a ruffled hem. It's perfect for travel. Go to *aprilmarin.com* to check on availability.

A dressy pick is the gorgeous magenta **Temperley London** Thandie Mini Dress, \$995 at Neiman Marcus, in pure silk with layered ruffles along the A-line skirt. Pair it with the Floral Ruffle Sandal by **Rene Caovilla**, \$975, a T-strap high-heeled sandal with fuchsia and orange ruffled flowers accented by crystals, also at Neiman Marcus.

SEQUIN STYLE

Sequins are always a hit around the holidays, but they are also prevalent in many designers' 2010 resort lines. In the **Stella McCartney**

collection, there's a sexy sequin sweater-dress with a v-neckline and all-over sequins in a buff gold color, \$1,195 at Neiman Marcus or Bergdorf Goodman. Don't forget about the footwear to go with your sexy dress. Sequin shoes also are *very of-the-moment*. **Valentino's** Sequin Paillete Petale Ballerina Flat, \$695, has a rosette on a round toe and is covered in black sequins—ultra-comfortable and in-style. Renowned shoe designer **Christian Louboutin's** Glitter Slingback Platform Pump, \$745, has a sexy, nearly five-inch heel and a peep-toe, covered entirely in sparkly glitter. Flat and pump are sold at Neiman Marcus stores.

IT'S IN THE BAG

These days, handbags are making more of a statement than anything else a woman wears. There are so many "it" bags and high-style choices, and a bag can really make an outfit, so it's easy to expand one's bag collection. For resort fashion, **Balenciaga's** periwinkle blue leather tote is available at Neiman Marcus for \$1,345. In a hue that is just perfect for in between winter and spring and in a classic design, this bag is one that will always be in style. For time aboard a yacht or cruise ship, nothing is more appropriate than the **Chanel** striped canvas tote, \$2,250. In a white and blue stripe with signature chain strap, there are red interlocking C's (Chanel's logo) in the center for the handbag opening. Stylish with a hint of nautical whimsy, this bag is ready for a party on a luxury vessel. Chanel bags are available at Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue, and at select Chanel boutiques. Go to *chanel.com* to locate a store near you.





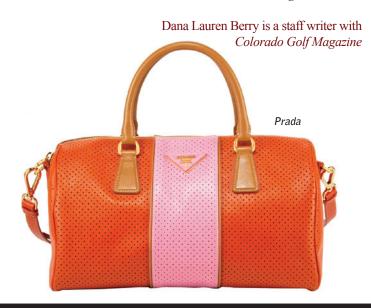
Prada has a brightly colored line of bags that are a vivid orange with pink and brown, in calf leather. The Saffiano Fori Boston Bag, \$1,650 at Neiman Marcus, is currently on pre-order. It's a beauty with a classic shape, double top handles and a shoulder strap.

BOLD PRINTS

Bold, graphic prints are in, as is the nautical look, and a great example of this trend is **Stella McCartney's** black and white stripe knit dress with multi-color floral embroidery on the chest. This short stunner has a bateau neckline and long sleeves, \$895 at Neiman Marcus.

ACCESSORIZE

Don't forget to accessorize for the beach. **Di Manno Designs** knows that when the weather is hot, hair usually gets pulled up in a ponytail. Owner Stefany Di Manno has taken that look and made it more stylish with a line of innovative ponytail covers that hide the elastic band. In canvas bows or cuffs, or in black or white covered in crystals, these chic ponytail accessories also come in exotic skins, genuine leather or patent leather. The Zebra Pony, \$30, and Python Pony, \$42, are fashion forward and fun. Browse online at *DiMannoDesigns.com*







TOP TRENDS FOR RESORT FASHION

According to fashion insiders at *ChickDowntown.com*, here's what's currently in:

- Leather ("Skin is In"): Look for leather jackets, suede leggings, faux leather leggings, one-shoulder tops and dresses.
- **Red Tones**: Bright reds and pinks are hot.
- **Graphic Prints:** are everywhere right now.
- Boyfriend Look: Skinny, menswear tailoring is in.
- Harem Pants: Cropped harem pants are breezy and fun.
- **Animal Prints**: A leopard, cheetah or zebra print in small doses is big on style.
- Lamé & Metallics: Fun party clothes.
- Nautical: Perfect for resort, hues of navy and red and stripes are hot.

CHOCOLATE & CHAMPAGNE DIAMONDS

Decadent, delicious jewelry designed to tempt and dazzle

By Dana Lauren Berry





Stars For Africa Signature Collection

Chocolate and champagne are two things most women love. And when it comes to jewelry, chocolate and champagne diamonds make another great combination—a stunning, luxurious look that is sure to be an attention-getter. When thinking of dark-colored diamonds, if dull brown is the first thing that comes to mind, think again. These exotic colored diamonds are more of a cognac or deep, brownish-gold, a beautiful shade of blazing amber.

Dark-colored diamonds are formed the same way as colorless or "white" diamonds; however, when exposed to intense pressure and heat underground over the years, crystallization of carbon molecules creates the brown tones in these stones. The result is a brilliant, beautiful stone that looks exceptionally fabulous when worn in fall and winter, but lovely and timeless year-round. The following lines offer truly sinful, delicious champagne/chocolate diamond jewelry.

Stars for Africa

Masica Diamonds has a new line called the Stars For Africa Signature Collection, featuring one-of-a-kind rings, pendants and earrings set with champagne diamonds.

"Each piece is truly unique because there is only one of each made. No one else will have one exactly like it," says owner David Masica. "Most people want to have something that nobody else has. I think we have a niche in this market."

The collection is named for Africa because generations of people have been impacted by the diamond-trade conflict there. The Stars For Africa Collection contains only conflict-free diamonds, meaning diamonds do not come from regions where their profit is used to fund war. Masica wants to use ethically produced luxury goods to broaden consumer awareness and improve people's lives.

Masica personally selects and sets each stone in the Stars for Africa Collection. He designs each ring around the stone, and rings range in size from one carat to 2.5 carats. They feature champagne diamonds combined with white diamonds set in 18-karat white gold. The majority of Masica's diamonds come from Australia, where he went three years ago and found that there was a lot of beauty in diamonds there still largely undiscovered.

"The champagne diamonds are cheaper than white diamonds yet have the same clarity, and a wonderful contrast. They have a lot of brilliancy, are fairly clean and large and the response has been good."

The Stars For Africa Collection allows clients to look good and do some good at the same time. Masica donates five percent of each sale to charity, and clients may select a charitable organization when they make their purchase. Charities include the Jolie Foundation, Raising Malawi, Team Darfur and several others. Prices start at \$4,200 for rings, \$1,400 for pendants and \$1,300 for earrings. View the collection at *StarsForAfrica.com*

Le Vian

Jeweler Le Vian created a name for itself in 2000 by branding brown diamonds as "chocolate diamonds" and creating an entire collection of artful creations called Le Vian Chocolatier. Different collections, such as "Sweet Chocolate Diamonds" and "Chunky Chocolate Diamonds" offer naturally colored, dark and light brown diamonds set in pink, yellow and white gold. The "Chunky Chocolate Diamonds" selection has chunks of rough diamonds set in gold on top of pave diamonds, forming different designs such as hearts, leaves, flowers and butterflies, on top of the pave design. Many of the heart necklaces and square rings actually look like fancy boxes of chocolates. Le Vian's diamonds mostly come from the Argyle mine in Australia, and pieces range from \$780 to \$8,000. Le Vian predicts that one of the 2010 jewelry trends will be jewelry in earth tones, including yellow and brown stones layered in necklaces and in drop earrings. See the full collection and get where-to-buy information at VisitLevian.com

De Beers Diamond Jewellers

De Beers has a beautiful collection of champagne diamonds with many intricate designs. The Champagne Cocktail Fizz Autumn Bouquet Ring is 18-karat yellow-gold and platinum containing marquise and pear-shaped diamonds in fancy and intense yellows, pinks and oranges. The design can contain as many as 208 natural diamonds at a carat weight of 3.06, retailing for \$55,000. The Wildflower Pendant, \$4,500, is part of the signature Wildflower

De Beers Autumn

Bouquet Ring

Gurhan

and white diamonds. DeBeers.com

Master goldsmith Gurhan Orhan is known for his pure 24-karat gold designs, often worn by celebrities. The company has boutiques in New York, Los Angeles, Istanbul and London. Gurhan makes a mixed-shape, rose-cut necklace featuring 3.7 carats of champagne diamonds for \$9,120, and a matching brilliant-cut champagne diamond ring at just over three carats is \$25,680. Both are sure to be conversation starters. Gurhan pieces are available at many fine retail boutiques and at select Neiman Marcus and Saks Fifth Avenue stores. Gurhan.com

Collection, which was launched when De Beers' first stores in the

United States opened in 2005. Each wildflower contains a center

stone surrounded by petals paved with a mix of chocolate brown

Antonini

Italian jeweler Antonini's line, the Anniversary Collection, celebrates 90 years of fine jewelry-making. Designed and handcrafted in Italy using the distinctive methods of Milan's jewelry-making tradition, the Anniversary Collection offers pendants in pink gold with champagne diamonds. The metal is handcrafted piece by piece to achieve an utterly unique vintage finish created especially for Antonini. Pink-gold pendants sprinkled with champagne diamonds dangle from chains with asymmetrical links, sparkling with each and every movement. Each jewel, including the chain, is handcrafted through precision casting and the diamonds are set by hand. Antonini's large Anniversary pendant in 18-karat rose gold with 3.5 carats of pave champagne diamonds is \$10,360; a large round Anniversary ring in 18-karat rose gold with 2.48 carats of pave champagne diamonds is \$8,360; and Anniversary earrings in 18-karat rose gold with .29 carats of champagne pave diamonds are \$3,470. Antonini is available at Saks Fifth Avenue. Antonini.it



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