



## GOLF IS THE NAME OF THE GAME IN THE MYRTLE BEACH

*-- Seaside Golf Capital of the World --*

The Myrtle Beach area boasts more than 100 of the most unique, challenging and picturesque golf courses in the world, making it a premiere destination for golf enthusiasts and aficionados with more than four million rounds of golf played annually.

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

The majority of the Myrtle Beach area's golf courses are open to the public. Many host professional and amateur tournaments including the PGA TOUR Superstore World Amateur Handicap Championship each fall, which is played out on more than 70 different courses throughout the destination.

Nearly one-third of the Myrtle Beach area's golf courses are rated with four-stars or higher in *Golf Digest's* "Places to Play" and seven courses are ranked among the "Top 100 Public Courses in America." In 2002, the Myrtle Beach area was designated "Golf Destination of the Year" by the International Association of Golf Tour Operators, winning out over such hotspots as Palm Springs, Hilton Head, Northeast Florida, Scotland, Ireland, and previous winners including the Algarve in Portugal.

In 1967, Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday was founded as a not-for-profit organization to promote golf vacations and golf events. Today, Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday includes nearly 100 Grand Strand golf courses and resorts ([www.GolfHoliday.com](http://www.GolfHoliday.com)).

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

### NORTH STRAND

**Aberdeen Country Club** -- (800) 344-5590

**Barefoot Resort & Golf** – [www.barefootgolf.com](http://www.barefootgolf.com); (800) 320-6536

**Beachwood Golf Club** – [www.beachwoodgolf.com](http://www.beachwoodgolf.com); (800) 526-4889

**Black Bear Golf Club** – [www.classicgolfgroup.com/blackbeargolfclub.html](http://www.classicgolfgroup.com/blackbeargolfclub.html); (800) TEE-OFFS

**Eagle Nest Golf Club** – [www.eaglenestgolf.com](http://www.eaglenestgolf.com); (800) 543-3113

**Farmstead Golf Links** – [www.farmsteadgolflinks.com](http://www.farmsteadgolflinks.com); (866) 749-7277

**The Long Bay Club** – (800) 344-5590

**Meadowlands** – [www.MeadowLandsGolf.com](http://www.MeadowLandsGolf.com); (888) 287-7529

**The Pearl Golf Links** – [www.ThePearlGolf.com](http://www.ThePearlGolf.com); (888) 947-3275

**Possum Trot Golf Club** – [www.PossumTrot.com](http://www.PossumTrot.com); (800) 626-8768

**River Hills Golf & Country Club** – [www.RiverHillsGolf.com](http://www.RiverHillsGolf.com); (800) 264-3810

**Sandpiper Bay** – [www.SandpiperBayGolf.com](http://www.SandpiperBayGolf.com); (800) 356-5827

**Tidewater Golf Club & Plantation** – [www.tidewatergolf.com](http://www.tidewatergolf.com); (866) 772-4669

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**Arcadian Shores Golf Club** – (866) 326-5275

**Arrowhead Country Club** – [www.Arrowheadcc.com](http://www.Arrowheadcc.com); (800) 236-3243

**Burning Ridge Golf Club** – [www.classicgolfgroup.com](http://www.classicgolfgroup.com); (800) TEE-OFFS

**The Dunes Golf and Beach Club** – [www.DunesGolfandBeachClub.com](http://www.DunesGolfandBeachClub.com); (843) 449-5236

**Grand Dunes Golf Club** - (843) 449-7070

**Man O'War** – [www.ManOWarGolfCourse.com](http://www.ManOWarGolfCourse.com); (843) 236-8000

**Myrtle Beach National** – (800) 344-5590

**Myrtlewood Golf Club** – [www.myrtlewoodgolf.com](http://www.myrtlewoodgolf.com); (800) 283-3633

**Pine Lakes Country Club** – [www.pinelakes.com](http://www.pinelakes.com); (866) 772-4669

**River Oaks Golf Plantation** – [www.RiverOaksGolfPlantation.com](http://www.RiverOaksGolfPlantation.com); (800) 762-8813

**Waterway Hills** – (800) 344-5590

**Whispering Pines Golf Course** – [www.wpinesgolf.com](http://www.wpinesgolf.com); (843) 918-2305

**Wild Wing Plantation** – [www.WildWing.com](http://www.WildWing.com); (800) 736-WING

**Witch of Myrtle Beach** – [www.witchgolf.com](http://www.witchgolf.com); (843) 448-1300

**The Wizard** – [www.WizardGolfCourse.com](http://www.WizardGolfCourse.com); (843) 236-9393

## SOUTH STRAND

**Blackmoor** – [www.Blackmoor.com](http://www.Blackmoor.com); (866) 952-5555

**Founders Club at Pawleys Island** – [www.classicgolfgroup.com/foundersclubpawleysisland.html](http://www.classicgolfgroup.com/foundersclubpawleysisland.html); (800) TEE-OFFS

**Indian Wells Golf Club** – [www.classicgolfgroup.com/indianwellsgolfclub.html](http://www.classicgolfgroup.com/indianwellsgolfclub.html); (800) TEE-OFFS

**Litchfield Country Club** – [www.LitchfieldBeach.com](http://www.LitchfieldBeach.com); (888) 766-4633

**Pawleys Plantation** – [www.PawleysPlantation.com](http://www.PawleysPlantation.com); (800) 367-9959

**Prestwick Country Club** – [www.PrestwickCountryClub.com](http://www.PrestwickCountryClub.com); (843) 293-4100

**River Club** – (843) 237-8880

**TPC Myrtle Beach** – [www.TPCMYRTLEBEACH.com](http://www.TPCMYRTLEBEACH.com); (843) 357-3399

**The Tradition Club** – [www.TraditionGolfClub.com](http://www.TraditionGolfClub.com); (877) 599-0888

**True Blue Golf Club** – (888) 483-6801

**Wachesaw Plantation East** – <http://WachesawEast.com>; (888) 922-0027

**Wedgfield Plantation Golf Club** - [www.wedgfield.com](http://www.wedgfield.com); (843) 448-2124

**Willbrook Plantation Golf Club** – (800) 344-5590

## FRIENDLY COMPETITION: MYRTLE BEACH GOLF TOURNAMENTS

### **World Amateur Tournament** (August 27-31, 2012)

For 28 years and counting, the World Amateur tournament has attracted golfers from all 50 states and 20 nations around the world for the gala event. With the field of nearly 4,000 golfers divided into various divisions and nearly 50 flights, the four-day stroke-play event winds down to a fifth day shootout for the championship. Every night, the participants and their friends and families gather at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center for the “world’s largest 19<sup>th</sup> hole” party. Sponsored by the PGA Tour Superstores, there are prizes galore as well, even for those who don’t win. Official handicap is required.

### **Family Golf Tournament** (June to August 2012)

During the summer months, Myrtle Beach Golf Holiday sponsors Family Golf Tournaments at various courses. Three worthwhile events with specialized fields include the Veterans Golf Classic, for active members of the service

or veterans and their families; FDNY Memorial Golf Outing, for firefighters from across the country; and National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Golf Classic.

***Father & Son Team Challenge*** (July 19-21, 2012)

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

***Masters Hootie and the Blowfish Celebrity Pro-Am*** (April 9, 2012)

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

***Never Forget Memorial Golf Outing*** (May 20-23, 2012)

More than 1,000 firefighters from around the country flock to Myrtle Beach for three-days of golf, food, drink, fun...and even a belly flop contest! The Alfred E. Ronaldson Spring Golf Classic started in Orange County, N.Y., in May 1992, and has since expanded and changed host locations to the sunny Grand Strand.

**KIDS PLAY FREE PROGRAM**

The Myrtle Beach area has 46 courses, including some of the nation's best, that allow junior golfers (kids 16 and under) to play for free when accompanied by a paying adult. Several other facilities permit juniors to play for free during the summer and at deeply discounted prices the rest of the year, allowing Myrtle Beach to do its part to help ensure the future growth of the game. For a list of participating courses, visit <http://www.golfholiday.com/content/kids-play-free-in-myrtle-beach.cfm>.

For more golf event information, visit [www.GrandStrandEvents.com](http://www.GrandStrandEvents.com) or [www.GolfHoliday.com](http://www.GolfHoliday.com). For additional information on the Myrtle Beach Area, visit [www.VisitMyrtleBeach.com](http://www.VisitMyrtleBeach.com) or call 1.888.Myrtle1.

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