



Oregon Golf

Discover Oregon Golf Resorts

No shortage of resorts if you are looking for an Oregon getaway

Editor's note: *Inside Golf Newspaper* has taken a look at all the golf resorts in Oregon and came up with a list of interesting things to look for when you make your visit.

Bandon Dunes: Four to play

When Bandon Dunes opened for play in 1999, the course with the scenic views of the Pacific Ocean in Bandon, Ore. was quickly voted among the best in the country.

When Pacific Dunes opened in 2001 next to Bandon Dunes, the new course received even higher praise and loftier awards. A third course, Bandon Trails, is up and running along the Oregon Coast and a fourth course called Old Macdonald is opening this year.

Welcome to Bandon Dunes, home of three of the top golf courses in the country, opened in 2005 and is one of the best practice facilities you will ever see and a clubhouse featuring rooms you can stay in.

All three courses top the lists of every golf publication's best course list. There might not be much to see in and around the Bandon area, but there is the golf and it's enough. And golf in its purest form, with no golf carts allowed, a prevailing wind blowing off the Pacific Ocean and native fescue grasses growing along the fairways.

Salishan: Great getaway

Salishan Golf Links offers a remodeled golf course and a terrific place to stay on the Oregon Coast in Gleneden Beach.

With its great ocean-side location, Salishan is a place that people keep coming back to for weekend getaways – with or without the golf clubs in the car.

Salishan has recently undergone a major re-model by Peter Jacobsen and added a new spa, too, in hopes of keeping people coming back for more.

Eagle Crest: No shortage

There is no shortage of golf at Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, located just north of Bend in Central Oregon.

The resort opened in the 1980s with its resort course and hotel. Since then, there have been some serious upgrades. The hotel is first class, an athletic center has been added and two golf courses have also been put into the mix.

The Resort course is a solid public course while the newer Ridge course is a bit more challenging at nearly 7,000 yards.

Eagle Crest has also added what it calls a Challenge Course as well as an 18-hole putting course.

Brasada Ranch: Family paradise

Oregon saw a new golf resort open in the central part of the state in Brasada Ranch in Redmond. All 18 holes of the Peter Jacobsen-Jim Hardy were open for play in 2007.

The resort is a family paradise with



Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond has two courses to choose from including a putting course and a 9-hole Challenge Course.

Oregon Resorts

Here are some facts and figures about golf resorts in Oregon.

- **Bandon Dunes Resort**

Bandon, Ore.
Four courses to choose

- **Black Butte Ranch**

Black Butte, Ore.
Glaze Meadow, Big Meadow

- **Brasada Ranch**

Powell Butte, Ore.
18 holes, 7,300 yards

- **Crooked River Ranch**

Crooked River, Ore.
18 holes, 5,661 yards

- **Eagle Crest Resort**

Redmond, Ore.
Ridge Course, Resort, Challenge Courses

- **Kah-Nee-Tah Resort**

Warm Springs, Ore.
18 holes, 6,374 yards

- **Pronghorn Resort**

Redmond, Ore.
Nicklaus and Fazio Courses

- **Resort at the Mountain**

Welches, Ore.
Pine Cone, Thistle, Foxgloves nines

- **Remington Ranch**

Powell Butte, Ore.
18 holes, 7,000 yards

- **Running Y Ranch Resort**

Klamath Falls, Ore.
18 holes, 7,300 yards

- **Salishan Golf Links Resort**

Gleneden Beach, Ore.
18 holes, 6,390 yards

- **Sunriver Resort**

Sunriver, Ore.
Woodlands, Meadows, Crosswater

- **Tetherow**

Bend, Ore.
18 holes, 7,300 yards

- **Wildhorse Resort**

Pendleton, Ore.
18 holes, 6,700 yards



Brasada Ranch is a Peter Jacobsen-Jim Hardy designed golf course.



Salishan Golf Links in Gleneden Beach offers great views of the Pacific Ocean.

Central Oregon area has several resort options from casinos to rugged outdoor experiences



lodging, restaurants, bike trails, tennis courts, swimming pools and more. Housing lots are selling quickly, too.

Resort at Mountain: Golf and ski

The Resort at the Mountain is just a drive and wedge away from Mount Hood. In fact, during the spring and summer months, golfing and skiing are both possibilities in the same day.

But for just golf, the Resort at the Mountain has it all. With new renovations to the lodge, accommodations and golf course, the Resort at the Mountain is a first-class operation. The facility offers three different sets of nines to try, called Thistle, Foxglove and Pine Cone. The mountain setting offers great scenery as well as course elevation changes.

Black Butte: A doubledip

One of Central Oregon's best hide-aways is Black Butte, located northwest of Bend. Located on nearly 2,000 acres, Black Butte is the perfect place for golfers and their families.

Black Butte comes complete with miles of bicycle trails, swimming pools, tennis courts, horseback riding . . . and,



Photo by Randy Kirkpatrick

Black Butte Ranch (top) in Central Oregon and the Resort at the Mountain near Mount Hood, are two resorts to try in Oregon.

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of course, golf.

With two golf courses, Black Butte offers something for everyone. The Glaze Meadow Course is carved out of the trees while the Big Meadow course is routed through a meadow and provides great views of nearby mountains.

The resort has also come up with an eight-year plan for some scheduled changes. One of the first major projects at Black Butte was the addition of 74 bunkers at the Big Meadow course. More changes are coming.

One other major change is the addition of a recreation center at Glaze Meadow complete with a new pool, tennis courts, spa and more.

Crooked River: Great setting

Crooked River Ranch offers Central Oregon golf in a stunning setting, just north of Bend. The course might not seem long (5,700 yards) but you need to keep it straight.

The par-4 fifth hole is a perfect example. It is a hole which says just 260 yards on the scorecard, but the Crooked River sits to the left and out of bounds marks the right.

Crooked River is a popular stop for people with RV's because of the full service amenities, which include tennis, swimming and hiking.

Pacific Northwest professional Chuck Milne shot a 59 in a tournament there in the summer of 2004.

Kah-Nee-Tah: Rain stays away

Kah-Nee-Tah Resort opened in the early 1970s and since then has become a popular place for families, with its indoor and outdoor accommodations, Indian themes and great golf course.

Besides, it's hard to beat a place where the sun shines nearly every day and the rain stays away.

For travelers, Kah-Nee-Tah offers a first-class hotel, and for those more adventurous, outdoor tee-pees are another way to stay. And the golf is a sun-splashed adventure.

Sunriver: Golf haven

Sunriver is able to offer its guests a veritable hat trick of golf – three golf courses and all are treats.

In addition to the lodging, which includes anything from condo-type rooms to rental houses, Sunriver is a golfer's paradise with the public Woodlands and Meadows courses and the private Crosswater course. Crosswater, however, is open to resort guests. A new nine-holer has also opened up near Crosswater.

Running Y: Plenty to do

The Running Y Ranch in Klamath Falls is one of the major contenders on the resort scene and has all the ingredients to keep people coming back—climate, scenery, activities, terrific accommodations and amenities for guests, and of course the Arnold Palmer-designed champion-



Tetherow Golf Club in Bend offers a David McLay-designed golf course.

ship golf course.

The course, the only Palmer designed course in Oregon, has hosted some of the biggest Northwest professional and amateur events since opening.

This is a place you can really relax and kick back and enjoy yourself with plenty of amenities around the resort.

Wildhorse has it all

Many golfers talk about the "game within the game," the mental challenges that make each round so enjoyable. But at the Wildhorse Resort and Casino in Pendleton, they also talk about the games after the game. Because at Wildhorse, you can play 18 holes of golf followed by a round of casino games.

Situated in the foothills of the Blue Mountains, Wildhorse's 7,112-yard

course is a blend of Scottish Links and traditional American golf. The 18th hole is perhaps one of the top finishing holes in the Northwest, with a lake running along the right side and white sand bunkers guarding the approach.

Looking for more, the area is also home to the Pendleton Round-Up, a top attraction.

Tetherow: Award winner

Residents and guests have the rare opportunity to live and play on a championship course designed by David McLay Kidd, the designer of Bandon Dunes.

The course encourages elements of links-style play such as playing the game along the ground as well as in the air. The imaginative routing fits cohesively with the high desert setting

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Washington

Washington's golf resorts offer a wide variety of styles, luxury and scenery

Editor's note: *Inside Golf Newspaper* has taken a look at all the golf resorts in Washington and came up with a list of interesting things to look for when you make your visit.

Suncadia: Outdoor paradise

One of the newest resorts to come on the radar in the state of Washington – Suncadia Resort in Roslyn, in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

The first course, called Prospector, opened all 18 holes five years ago. The second, the private Tumblecreek opened four years ago and the third, Roperider is currently under construction.

The resort is part of a large housing community with all of the amenities you'd expect to find a top-notch resort. Also open are a hotel, shopping area and more.

With the resort located so close to the Cascade mountains, there are plenty of outdoor options. Snoqualmie Pass skiing area is right up the road.



Always popular and challenging, Alderbrook Golf Club in Union, Wash. along the Hood Canal recently added a new clubhouse.

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Skamania: View from above

Since opening in 1993, Skamania Lodge has been the perfect type of weekend getaway for golfers around the Pacific Northwest.

Tucked on a bluff overlooking the Columbia River, the Skamania Lodge features a hotel with nearly 200 rooms, a place for businesses to bring in outside conferences and outdoor activities for the non-golfers in the group.

The course itself may not be long, measuring 5,800 yards, but it presents plenty of challenges with some tight fairways and stunning views of the Columbia River.

There are also plenty of other things to do nearby, including visiting Multnomah Falls and a walk to the top.

Semiahmoo: Two to choose

Semiahmoo Resort, which is located in Washington's northwest corner in Blaine, offers guests the chance to play, not only the Resort course, but also the Loomis Trail course. Both courses are open to resort guests.

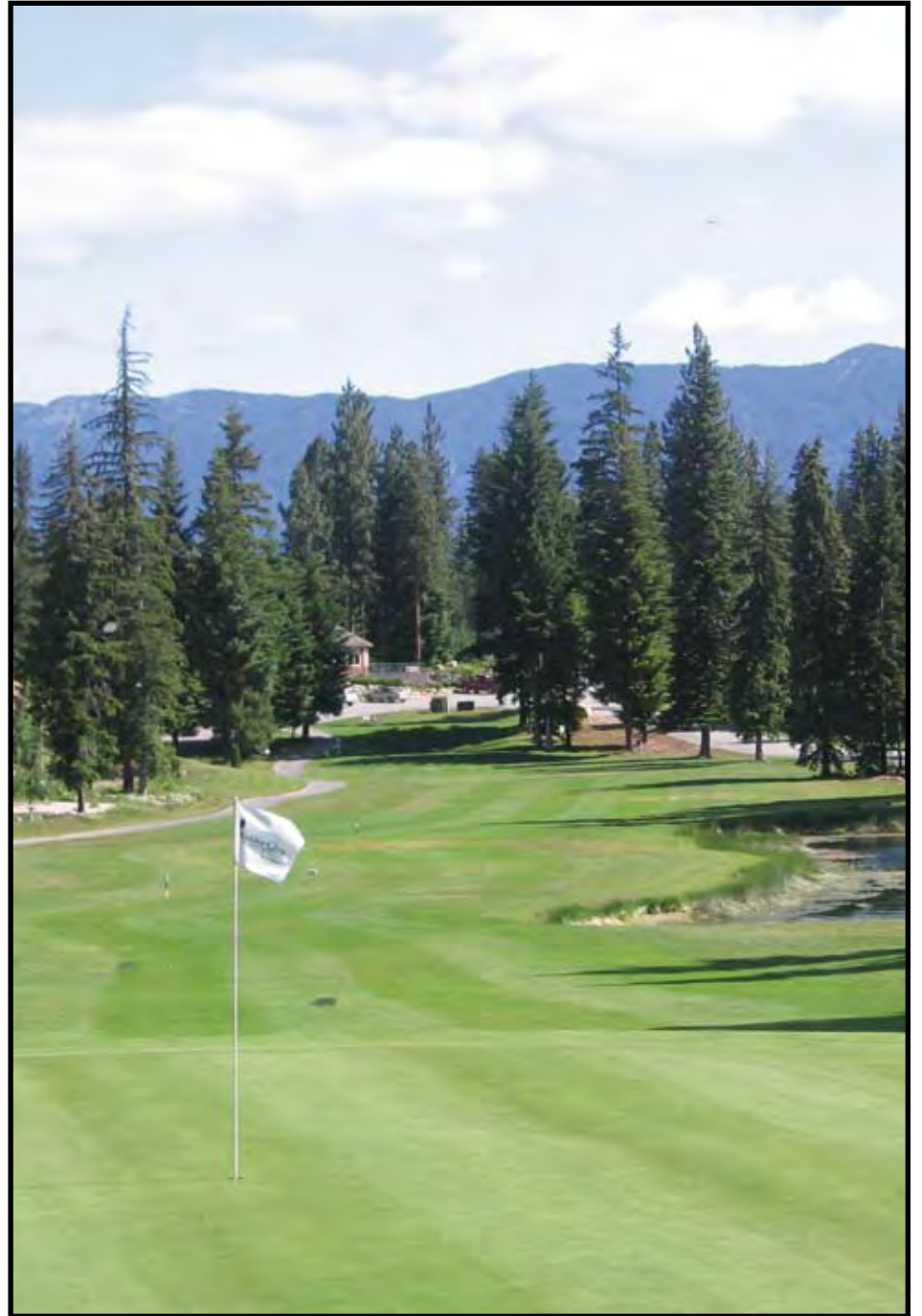
Loomis Trail used to be completely private, but new ownership decided to open the course up for hotel guests. The resort was bought by the owners of the Skagit Casino, which is located just south in Bow, Wash.

Since opening up, many golfers have decided to make a weekend out of traveling to Semiahmoo Resort, playing both

Washington Resorts

Here are some facts and figures about golf resorts in Washington.

- **Alderbrook Golf Resort**
Union, Wash.
18 holes, 6,326 yards
- **Apple Tree Golf Resort**
Yakima, Wash.
18 holes, 6,892 yards
- **Desert Canyon Golf Resort**
Orondo, Wash.
18 holes, 6,923 yards
- **Homestead Farms Resort**
Lynden, Wash.
18 holes, 6,927 yards
- **Kahler Glen Golf Resort**
Leavenworth, Wash.
18 holes, 6,105 yards
- **Moses Pointe Golf Resort**
Moses Lake, Wash.
18 holes, 7,428 yards
- **The Resort at Port Ludlow**
Port Ludlow, Wash.
18 holes
- **Semiahmoo Resort**
Blaine, Wash.
Two 18-hole Golf Courses
- **Skamania Lodge Resort**
Stevenson, Wash.
18 holes, 5,776 yards
- **Suncadia Resort**
Roslyn, Wash.
Prospector, Rope Rider, Tumblecreek



Kahler Glen Resort in Leavenworth, Wash., offers winter and summer activities.

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4th Net & Ladies – Big Meadow at Black Butte Ranch

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Washington's golf resorts are located throughout the state

courses and enjoying the resorts many amenities.

The Resort course features an Arnold Palmer designed layout and plenty of water and sand. It's a great layout and playable for all levels of golfers.

Loomis Trail Golf Club features a different setting, offering some links for you to try and some typical Northwest golf. The course is always in immaculate condition and considered one of the top tracks in the Pacific Northwest.

Port Ludlow: Now 18 holes

Port Ludlow for years has been ranked as one of the top golf resorts in the Pacific Northwest. And for good reason, the resort seems to have it all.

Port Ludlow Resort, which sits near the northern tip of the Olympic Peninsula, offers 18 holes of golf with its Tide and Timber Nines. The Trail Nine is was shut down last year.

Most people who travel to Port Ludlow Resort usually make a day out of it, playing 18 holes and then settling in for the night at one of the resort's condos or the resort hotel down on the water. There's also plenty to do, including kayaking, bike riding, hiking and checking out the nearby town of Port Townsend.

A past tree-trimming project has opened up some terrific views around the course. Some new tees were also added

to the first hole of the Tide nine providing more options for golfers.

Alderbrook: Twists and turns

Alderbrook Golf Resort in Union, along Hood Canal, presents plenty of dramatic holes in a forest-like setting.

The opening hole starts right out by requiring a straight tee shot and then an even straighter second shot. There's the 18th hole, a downhill par-5, with a panoramic backdrop of the Olympic Mountains. And then there is the infamous S-hole. The 8th hole, an S-shaped par-5 can be one of the toughest holes on the course. The hole goes about 200 yards before bending to the right. Then another 200 yards before it bends back to the left.

The remodeled Inn on the Hood Canal offers lodging and golf packages.

Homestead: Island time

Homestead Farms Golf Resort in Lynden features plenty of amenities, including a putting course, condos, exercise room, restaurant and more.

And don't forget about the 18th hole, a par-5 with an island green. It's an island green which has received national notice for its beauty and toughness.

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since the hole measures over 500 yards from the back tees. The island green features multiple levels.

Homestead Farms is owned by the group that owns Great Links Resorts.

Desert Canyon: A long one

Desert Canyon features one great hole after another. The Central Washington golf resort also features terrific places to stay along the course, a first-class restaurant and a world-class putting course.

Desert Canyon is also home to one of the longest holes in the Northwest.

The sixth hole is a 691-yard par-5 that features great views of the Columbia River and runs along a canyon. The course was sold to the owners of Homestead Farms Golf Club a few years ago. But Desert Canyon was already part of the Great Links Golf Group, which has four resorts in Washington, all with stay and play packages.

Kahler Glen: The wilderness

Kahler Glen Golf and Ski Resort, in Leavenworth, features a challenging golf course and plenty of chances to see Central Washington's forested beauty.

There are stay-and-play packages available and plenty of things to do, including hiking, fishing and taking in the sights and sounds of the nearby Bavarian Village of Leavenworth.

And the golf is good, too. What makes the course enjoyable is the hilly-elevated terrain that you must negotiate throughout the 18 holes. The long 12th hole will make you hit every club in your bag. It is a prodigious 630-yard par-5.

Apple Tree: Apple green

Apple Tree is turning into a full-fledged

resort and has terrific golf to offer. But there is one thing you will remember after your round is finished - the apple-shaped 17th green.

The par-3 hole features an elevated tee box with the tee shot being hit to an island green that is shaped like, what else, an apple. The stem is a sand trap and the green itself measures more than 10,000 square feet.

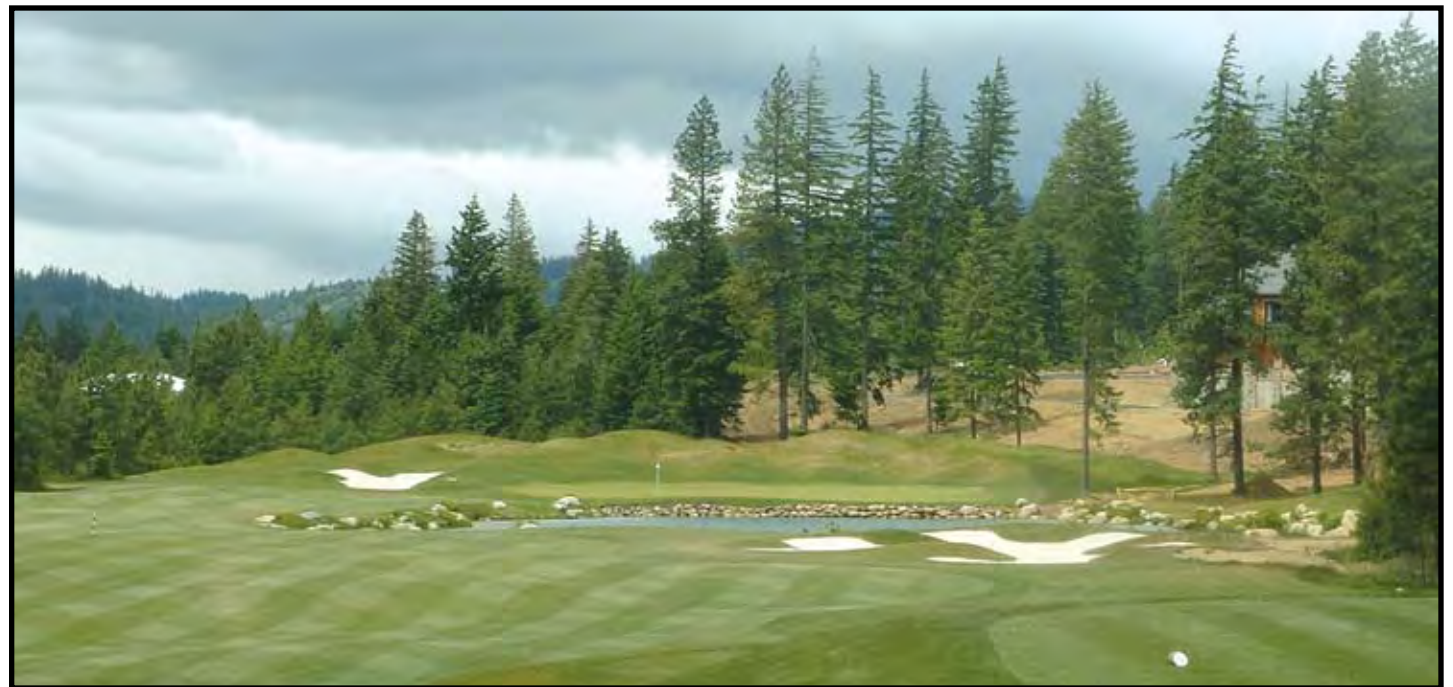
Moses Pointe: True links

If you are looking for a superb links-style course then Moses Pointe in Moses Lake is worth the drive. The challenging course features plenty of sand, water, tall native grasses and, on some days, the wind can also become an influence.

Moses Pointe offers some terrific dining in their spacious clubhouse that sits near the shores of Moses Lake.



Moses Pointe in Moses Lake, Wash. offers a dynamic links-style golf course.



Suncadia Resort in Roslyn, Wash. offers two championship courses and is expected to open a third course soon.

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Idaho/Montana

Top resorts found in Idaho and Montana

Traveling to Idaho or Montana? Golf resorts are in the most scenic locations

Editor's note: *Inside Golf Newspaper* has taken a look at all the golf resorts in Idaho and Montana and came up with must-sees on your next visit.

Idaho Club: Nicklaus design

When the Hidden Lakes course was purchased, the new owners brought in Jack Nicklaus to redesign the golf course. All of the holes were redone and some new ones were added. The result was a world-class gem that rivals anything built in the Northwest.

The one-of-a-kind clubhouse was left over from the Hidden Lakes days but two years ago the building along with all of the contents, including the golf carts stored underground, were lost in a fire.

The club replaced the lost items and wasted no time in seeking designs for their new clubhouse.

The course is spectacular with a blend of new holes being incorporated into the existing layout. Still, the course has a completely new look.

The rustic looking clubhouse maybe gone but a new one is scheduled to be built next year and the management says it will be even better than the one they lost.

Outdoor activities are plentiful at the Idaho Club. With 111 miles of shoreline to enjoy around Lake Pend Oreille, you can do just about anything from water skiing to fishing to swimming to boating.

Award winning Coeur d'Alene

The Coeur d'Alene Resort has been open for over 12 years now, and every year has been the same. Golfers come from around the country, only to find a first-class hotel, a perfectly manicured golf course and an area filled with things to do.

And, of course, there's the world-famous Floating Green. That probably would be a good place to start. The 14th hole, a par-3, is home to the world's only Floating Green, which moves on a daily basis. In fact, you need to take a boat to get to the green from the tee box. It's a



Sun Valley offers 27 holes of golf with Trail Creek and White Clouds courses (top); the Idaho Club has a new look (bottom).

hole that is pictured among the top island greens in the country.

And the Coeur d'Alene Resort is a place that is listed among the top resorts in the country. In fact, *Golf Digest Magazine* lists The Coeur d'Alene Resort as a Gold Medal winner among its top resorts in the country.

The hotel features over 300 rooms and guest are shuttled to the golf course in an old-style vintage wooden boat.

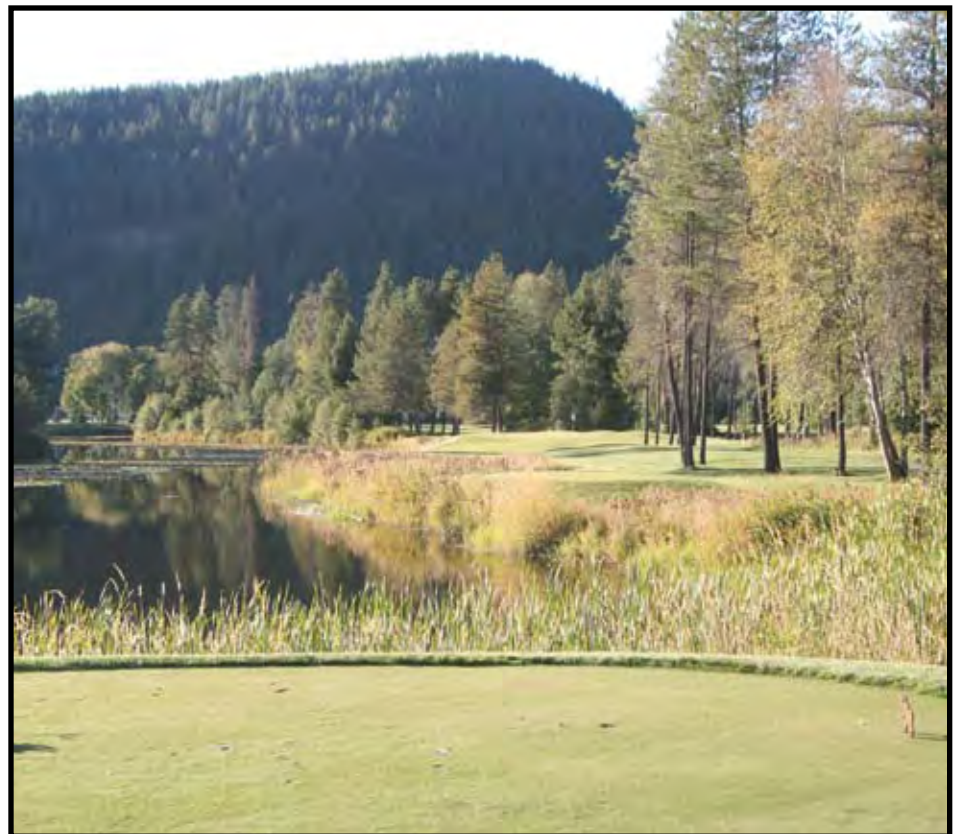
The hotel features first-class amenities and plays host to many large conventions throughout the year.

But the main attraction is the golf course – and the chance to hit the Floating Green.

New at Sun Valley

The Sun Valley area of Idaho is well known for its winter sports activities but golfers have long discovered the allure of the quality golf that can be found here.

The Sun Valley course sits conveniently near the Sun Valley Resort and



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Idaho, Montana resorts

features some great views as it winds through the foothills in the shadow of the popular Dollar Mt. And there is more on the way. The existing Trail Creek Golf Course was re-modeled by Robert Trent Jones Jr, in 1980 and is one of the best in the state. The new nine-hole White Clouds Course opened for play in 2008, giving the resort a total of 27 holes for golfers to tee it up.

Elkhorn Golf Club, built in 1974, was the last course designed by the team of Robert Trent Jones Sr. and Jr. and sits near Sun Valley. The course went through a major re-design two years ago and now is a private club.

Meadow Lake in Montana

Meadow Lake in Columbia Falls, Mt. blends a Northwest-style golf course with a resort setting.

There's hotel lodging for guests and a host of amenities, including a spa and fitness center. The resort is also a short 15-minute drive to the entrance of Glacier National Park, a place where you never run out of things to look at. A must see when in this part of the country.

The golf course itself is a solid test at nearly 6,700 yards. The course winds through the trees and challenges you with plenty of water and sand along the entire 18-hole route.

The final three holes are memorable. The 16th is a watery par-3, the 17th a short par-4 with trouble left and right and the 18th hole is a short dogleg left par-4 with trouble off the fairway and then again around the green.

Idaho, Montana Resorts

- **Circling Raven Resort**

Worley, Idaho
18 holes, 7,189 yards

- **Coeur d'Alene Resort**

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
18 holes, 6,735 yards

- **Elkhorn Golf Resort**

Sun Valley, Idaho
18 holes, 7,101 yards

- **The Idaho Club**

Sandpoint, Idaho
18 holes, 6,655 yards

- **Meadow Lake Resort**

Columbia Falls, Mont.
18 holes, 6,694 yards

- **Sun Valley Golf Resort**

Sun Valley, Idaho
Trail Creek Course
White Clouds Course

- **Whitetail Golf Resort**

McCall, Idaho
18 holes, 7,013 yards

The wilderness at Whitetail

The Whitetail Club golf course in McCall, Idaho, is in a forested setting near Lake Payette.

But it's also the most exclusive publicly accessible golf course in the state, and the Arizona company that manages the resort formerly known as Shore Lodge makes no apologies.

Whitetail, designed by two-time U.S. Open champion Andy North, opened in June 2002. The 7,013-yard, par-72 course is about 100 miles north of Boise in Idaho.

Whitetail lodge sits on the edge of Payette Lake and is popular luxury resort

destination for anyone seeking to leave the world behind for a week or weekend to play golf or just play period.

Circling Raven has it all

Circling Raven Golf Club in Worley, Idaho is the newest resort course in the area for you to try and definitely worth the trip to Worley – which is located about 35 miles south of Coeur d'Alene or about 20 minutes east of Spokane.

The resort is owned and operated by the Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe and offers just about everything you need in a place to stay from the golf course to the accommodations to casino gaming to great food.



Circling Raven Golf Club.

The course plays long (7,189 yards from the back tees) and offers plenty of scenery including a resident herd of moose.

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Western Montana



Golf resorts in the Pacific Northwest

Washington

1. **Alderbrook Golf Club**
Union, Wash.
360.898.2560
2. **Apple Tree Resort**
Yakima, Wash.
509.966.5877
3. **Desert Canyon Resort**
Orondo, Wash.
800.258.4173
4. **Homestead Farms**
Lynden, Wash.
800.354.1196
5. **Kahler Glen Golf Resort**
Leavenworth, Wash.
509.763.3785
6. **Moses Pointe Resort**
Moses Lake
509.764.2275
7. **Port Ludlow Resort**
Port Ludlow, Wash.
800.455.0272
8. **Semiahmoo Resort**
Blaine, Wash.
360.371.7005

Oregon

9. **Skamania Lodge Resort**
Stevenson, Wash.
509.427.2541
10. **Suncadia Resort**
Roslyn, Wash.
509.649.3000
11. **Bandon Dunes Resort**
Bandon, Ore.
541.347.4380
12. **Black Butte Ranch**
Sisters, Ore.
541.595.6689
13. **Crooked River Ranch**
Crooked River, Ore.
541.923.6343
14. **Eagle Crest Resort**
Redmond, Ore.
541.923.4653
15. **Brasada Ranch**
Redmond, Ore.
877.272.7232
16. **Kah-Nee-Tah Resort**
Warm Spring, Ore.
541.551.1112

Idaho/Montana

17. **Pronghorn Resort**
Redmond, Ore.
541.312.9424
18. **Remington Ranch**
Redmond
877.730.7624
19. **Resort at the Mountain**
Welches, Ore.
800.669.4653
20. **Running Y Ranch Resort**
Klamath Falls, Ore.
541.850.5560
21. **Salishan Golf Links**
Gleneden Beach, Ore.
800.452.2300
22. **Sunriver Resort**
Sunriver, Ore.
800.962.1769
23. **Tetherow Golf Club**
Bend, Ore.
541.389.5857
24. **Wildhorse Resort**
Pendleton, Ore.
541.276.2323
25. **Circling Raven**
Worley, Idaho
800.523.2464
26. **Coeur d'Alene Resort**
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
208.667.4653
27. **The Idaho Club**
Sandpoint, Idaho
800.323.7020
28. **Elkhorn Resort**
Sun Valley, Idaho
208.622.4511
29. **Sun Valley Resort**
Sun Valley, Idaho
208.622.2251
30. **Whitetail Club**
McCall, Idaho
800.657.6464
31. **Meadow Lake Resort**
Columbia Falls, Mt.
800.321.4653