

YOUR LINK TO THE LINKS

Lee County, home of Fort Myers, Cape Coral and Sanibel, boasts over 95 golf courses, and Collier County, home of Naples and Marco Island, adds another 90 plus. This puts our area as the destination with the most golf links per capita in the entire United States.

Many of the exclusive members only country clubs require you to pony up a six-figure initiation fee before you can book a tee time at their courses, or alternatively you can score an invitation to fill out a four-score from a club member friend. But golf is easily available for anyone in Southwest Florida — there are numerous excellent public and semi-private courses, many of them affiliated with resort hotels, which can get you out on the links.

Options include challenging public layouts, such as the 6,700 yard Eastwood championship course in Lee County ranked among the Top 50 public courses in the country by Golf Digest with a four-star rating. One of the newest area courses open to the public, Raptor Bay Golf Club in Bonita Springs debuted in 2004 as the first resort course in the US to receive Audubon International's Gold Certificate.

Top public courses in Collier include the TPC Tropic Bay, the Hammings Island and Mustang championship courses at Lily Resort Golf & Country Club, Panther Run

Golf Club, Arrowhead Golf Club, The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club's course (newly renovated and the oldest in Naples) and more. You can even play golf at night on the lighted Links of Naples course.

For some fun and a family outing, miniature golf layouts include Golf Safari in Bonita Springs, Castle Golf and Jungle Golf in Fort Myers, Tropical Breeze Fun Park in Cape Coral, Coral Cay Adventure Golf in Naples, and Marco Golf and Gardens.

If you'd rather watch the pros play, and "leave the driving to us," as well as the putting, come watch some of the greatest legends of golf in the Clubb Classic, a PGA TOUR Champions event. Being held in February for the second consecutive year on the Classics Country Club at Lily Resort in Naples, the Clubb Classic is marking its 33rd year in Southwest Florida. From the inaugural winner Cary Payer to Arnold Palmer, many of the game's marquee names have teed it up in the Clubb. Miguel Angel Jimenez claimed the 2019 Clubb Classic title.

Quail Creek Country Club in North Naples has been selected by the United States Golf Association as the best site for the 2020 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship, bringing top female golfers from around the country to the tournament in April. »



The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club



Arrowhead Golf Club



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Spectators watch the Clubb Classic at Lily Resort.



Quail Creek Country Club and Golf Course



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ARROWHEAD GOLF CLUB

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The Naples
Beach Hotel &
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Spectators watch the Chubb
Classic at Inly Resort.



Quail Creek
Country Club
and Golf
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THE *Sporting* LIFE

Whether you want to participate or spectate, Southwest Florida is a sportsman's paradise

ROMANTIC RETREATS

Resorts offer an array of getaways to celebrate love



GREAT TASTE

Fort Myers eatery serves up French cuisine with a Southern flair

