



**Top resorts: The Pacific Northwest is home to some of the best resorts in the country**

The Pacific Northwest is home of some of the top resorts in the country, including Bandon Dunes Resort, a Platinum Award winner from *Golf Magazine*. There are plenty of choices to make. See inside for more in NW resorts.

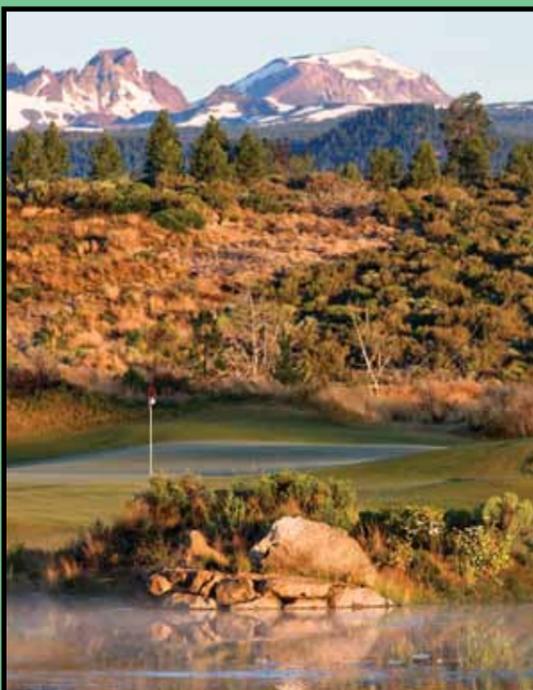


# Pacific Northwest Golf Resorts

To find some of the top golf resorts in the country, you really don't have to look far. The Pacific Northwest is home to some of the top resorts in the United States. Some resorts, such as Black Butte Ranch in Central Oregon (upper left), Semiahmoo Resort in Blaine, Wash. (upper right) and Salish Cliffs in Shelton, Wash. (lower left) are among the best in the country. *Inside Golf* takes a look at resorts in the Northwest in this special section and tells you what to expect when you make a visit. We take a look at all the golf resorts in Oregon and Washington and tell you what you need to know. We have also added a map so you can see where the resorts are located. For more, please see inside this section for more.

## Tetherow quickly is becoming a hot spot in Central Oregon

Central Oregon has long been known for its collection of outstanding resorts like Sunriver, Black Butte Ranch and Eagle Crest. And now comes Tetherow. Tetherow made its first impression with an award-winning course designed by David McLay Kidd and now comes a first-class hotel with plenty of luxurious accommodations along the golf course and soon a swimming area to go with its rooms. There is plenty to like at Tetherow, and now even more that it has lodging to go along with the golf.



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**Oregon resorts**

• Oregon has plenty of golf resorts to check out - including many in the Central Oregon area. See inside for more.

**Washington resorts**

• If you are looking for a resort, there are plenty to choose from on both sides of the Cascade Mountains. See inside for more.



# If you are looking for some of the top resorts in the country, look to the NW

When it comes to staying at some of the top golf resorts in the country, the Pacific Northwest is well represented and has plenty you might want to try out. In Washington, Oregon and Idaho there are plenty to see.

*Golf Magazine* came out with its new list for 2014 and Bandon Dunes is a Platinum Award Winner. But there are four other Northwest resorts that received some high accolades too.

Salishan in Oregon, Sunriver in Oregon, Pronghorn in Oregon and Coeur d'Alene in Idaho were all named Silver Medal winners.

*Golf Digest* has Bandon Dunes Resort ranked as the top resort in the country. With its four golf courses, new par-3 Bandon Preserve course and the new putting course that opened in 2014, there is something for everyone at Bandon Dunes.

Pronghorn in Central Oregon is ranked 43rd while Coeur d'Alene Resort is 62nd and Sun Valley in Idaho checks in at 67th on the list of top 75 resorts.



Bandon Dunes Resort is a Platinum Award winner among the country's golf resorts.

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Semiahmoo Resort in Blaine, Wash. looks new after Wright Hotels look over.

## Semiahmoo Resort attractive getaway after recent sale

In June of 2013, new life was pumped back into Semiahmoo Resort in Blaine, Wash. After some hard times, the resort hotel closed keeping open only the two golf courses. But in June 2013 Wright Hotels, a Seattle-based management company, came to the rescue buying the resort and quickly added \$6 million in improvements. Semiahmoo Resort was saved. Last spring the newly renovated resort near the Washington-Canadian border showed off what it has become. And there's more to come. For more see the web site [www.semiahmoo.com](http://www.semiahmoo.com).

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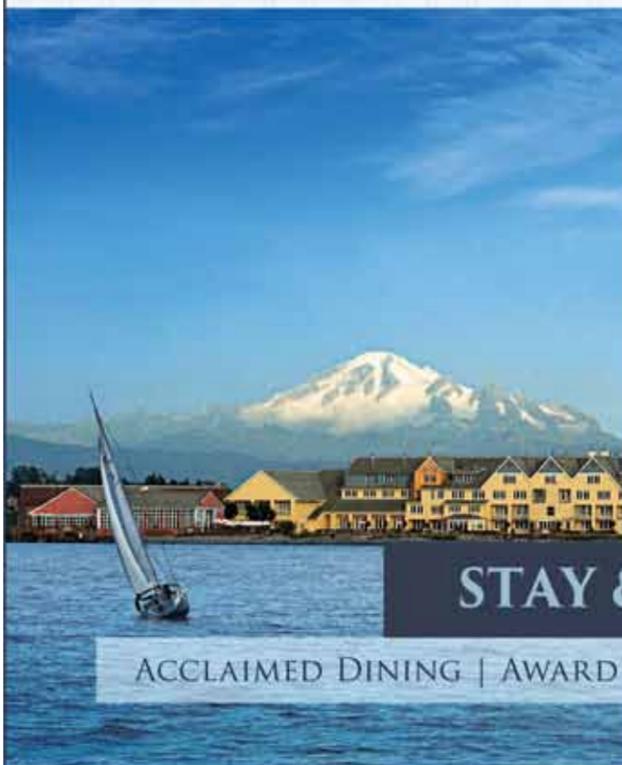
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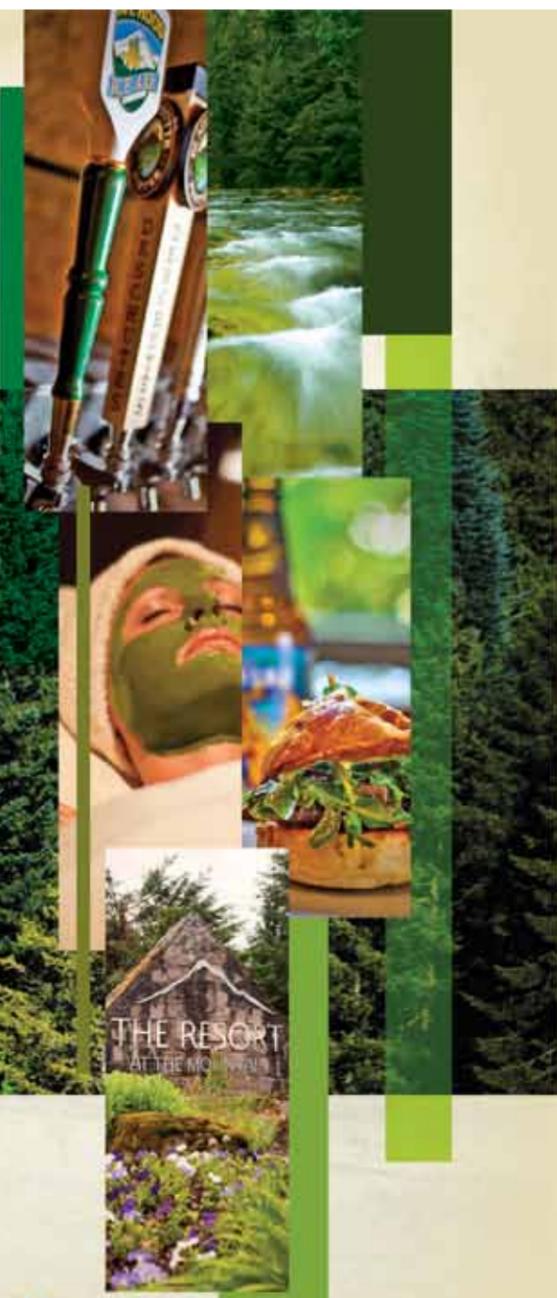
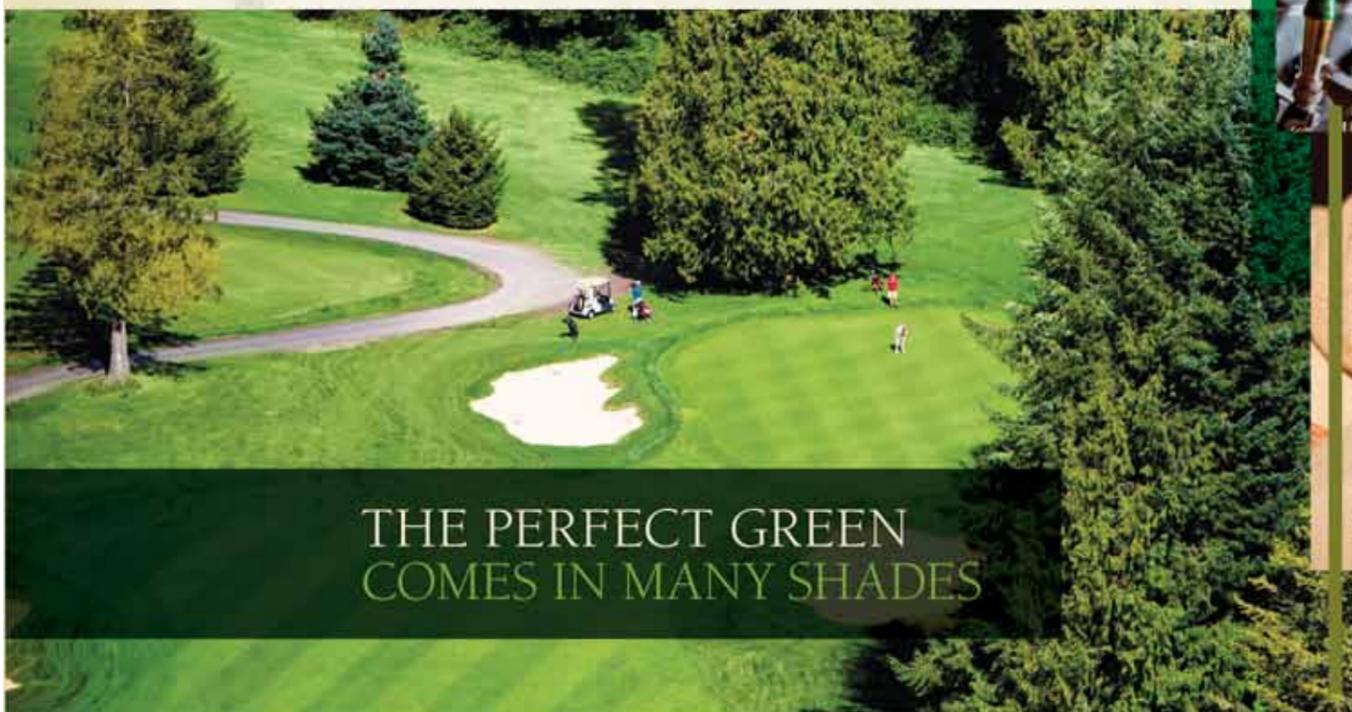
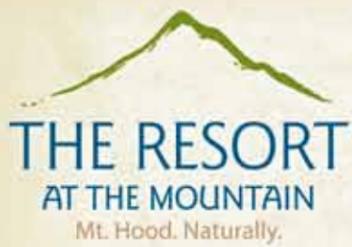


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# Oregon has award winning golf resorts

From the coast to Central Oregon, plenty of resorts

*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 Resort

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, opened in 2005 and a fourth course called Old Macdonald opened in 2010.

Welcome to Bandon Dunes, home of four of the top golf courses in the country. In fact, a fifth course called Bandon Preserve, a 13-hole par-3 course, opened in 2012.

All 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.

And if all that isn't enough, the Punchbowl Putting Course a 100,000 square-foot putting course opened in 2014. Land has been acquired on the Coast for another golf course to be part of the Bandon Dunes family.

## Salishan Resort

Salishan Golf Links offers a 18-hole, 6,470-yard, par-71 layout 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.

The course underwent a major remodel by Jacobsen Hardy Golf Course Design and a new spa was added so guests could relax and revitalize their mind, body.

## Brasada Ranch

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 course were open for play in 2007.

The resort is a family paradise with lodging, restaurants, bike trails, tennis courts, swimming pools and more. Housing lots are selling quickly, too.

## Resort at Mountain

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



Crooked River Ranch in Central Oregon offers up a championship golf course, a park for RV's and plenty of outdoor activities.

## Oregon Resorts

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

- **Bandon Dunes Resort**

Bandon, Ore.  
Five courses to choose from

- **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 Course  
Challenge Course

- **Kah-Nee-Ta 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

- **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



Tetherow in Bend has a new hotel to go along with its award-winning golf course.



Salishan Resort has long been a popular getaway for golfers along the Oregon Coast.



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# Black Butte Ranch features a pair of courses to tee it up at; Resort at the Mountain has first-class facility and 27 holes



golf course, the Resort at the Mountain is a first-class operation. The facility offers three distinctly different sets of nines called, Thistle, Foxglove and Pine Cone. Besides golf, guest can play tennis, croquet and lawn bowling, sand volleyball, badminton, basketball, hiking or bicycling.

### Black Butte Ranch Resort

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

Sitting on 1800 acres, Black Butte comes complete with 18 miles of bicycle trails, swimming pools, tennis courts, horseback riding . . . and, 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. Glaze Meadow shut down the course for a year



Black Butte Ranch (top) in Central Oregon and the Resort at the Mountain just east of Portland are two terrific golf resort options.



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# Oregon golf resorts

while architect John Fought updated the course in 2007 and it now stretched over 7,000 yards.

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 Ranch

Crooked River Ranch is the largest homeowner's association in Oregon with a population of over 5,000, sits just north of Bend. The course might not seem long (5,700 yards) but it will keep your attention and 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.

## Wildhorse Resort and Casino

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.

The resort is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year.

## Eagle Crest Resort

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 a par-63 Challenge Course as well as an 18-hole putting course. Several stay and play specials are on their website: eagle-crest.com.

## Running Y Ranch Resort

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 championship golf course.

The course, the only Palmer designed course in Oregon, has hosted some of the biggest NW event since opening.

## Kah-Nee-Ta Resort

Kah-Nee-Ta Resort opened in the early



Wildhorse Resort in Pendleton is an oasis in the rolling plains of Eastern Oregon.

1970s and since then has become a popular place for families, with its indoor and outdoor accommodations, Indian themes and great golf course. In fact, the resort is celebrating its 50th year anniversary in 2014.

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

For travelers, Kah-Nee-Ta 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 Resort

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 called Caldera Springs.

Families from up and down the West Coast have targeted Sunriver as a popular destination stop, with its pools, tennis course, bike trails, horseback riding, river rafting and more.

## Tetherow Golf Club

Tetherow is quickly establishing itself as a getaway destination. First, there was the award-winning David McLay Kidd-designed golf course and then last year, a terrific hotel opened its door. Now, this year a swimming pool complex will be a new addition to the property.

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# Washington Golf

## Throughout the state, there is a wide variety of resorts in Washington to try

*Editor's note: Here's a look at the golf resorts that the state of Washington offers for golfers to tee it up:*

### Little Creek Casino Resort

The Squaxin Island Indian tribe got involved in the resort business with its Little Creek Casino. Then came a hotel, then a concert hall. And then came the award-winning Salish Cliffs Golf Course, designed by Gene Bates in 2012.

The course gives the Little Creek Casino Resort something for everyone.

For those who like a first-class hotel, you are covered. Good food? Covered again. Need to see a show? The resort has big name entertainment, concerts and boxing.

With the opening of the Salish Cliffs Golf Course, the resort boasts one of the top courses in the Pacific Northwest. In fact, the course was ranked among the top new courses in the country in 2012. The course winds through trees and features plenty of water and sand to keep your attention throughout the round. The



*Historic Carson Hot Springs Resort sits along the Columbia River and its links-style Elk Ridge Golf Course is a good test.*



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# Plenty of choices in Washington

driving range is a place that will keep you busy all day as well.

The Little Creek Casino Resort also has an RV park with 44 berths and access to an exercise room, heated indoor swimming pool and hot tub.

There are seven restaurants and the Seven Inlets Spa.

## Carson Hot Springs

Carson Hot Springs has been around for years – since 1897– but not the Elk Ridge Golf Course. Carson Hot Springs was discovered in 1876 and many people have come to enjoy the healing waters in this location, next to the Columbia River on the Oregon-Washington border.

The 1901 St. Martin Hotel still stands and is used as the front office and the original men's and women's bath houses are still being used today. Updates have followed such as new saunas in the bathhouses, new rooms a restaurant on the recently re-opened Elk Ridge course.

The resort is currently working hard to finish a soaking pool.

Elk Ridge Golf Course has a two-story clubhouse that was refurbished when the course was reopened. The course is also known for being very dry in the winter.

## Apple Tree Golf Resort

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

## Washington Resorts

- **Apple Tree Golf Resort**  
Yakima, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,892 yards
- **Carson Hot Springs Resort**  
Carson, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,500 yards
- **Clearwater Resort**  
Kingston, Wash. (White Horse Golf Club)  
18 holes, 7,093 yards
- **Homestead Farms Resort**  
Lynden, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,927 yards
- **Kahler Glen Golf Resort**  
Leavenworth, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,105 yards
- **Little Creek Casino Resort**  
Shelton, Wash. (Salish Cliffs)  
18 holes, 7,269 yards
- **Port Ludlow Resort**  
Port Ludlow, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,787 yards
- **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, Tumble Creek
- **Swinomish Resort and Lodge**  
Anacortes, Wash.  
18 holes, 6,177 yards
- **7Cedars Resort**  
Sequim, Wash. (Cedars at Dungeness)  
18 holes, 6,456 yards



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Apple Tree Golf Resort in Yakima (top) offers a scenic golfing adventure through an active apple tree farm; White Horse Golf Club (bottom) is part of the Clearwater Resort in Kingston.



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# Washington golf resorts

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. But there's also much more than just the island green.

Apple Tree is also home to plenty of housing opportunities along and around the golf course as well for golfers to enjoy.

## Suncadia Resort

One of the newest resorts came on the radar in the state of Washington – Suncadia Resort in Cle Elum, in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains.

The first course, called Prospector, opened all 18 holes in 2005. The second, the private Tumblecreek, opened a year later and the third, Rope Rider, opened in 2011. All are considered among the top golf courses in the Pacific Northwest.

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.

## Skamania Resort

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 Resort

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.

After the resort closed the hotel in 2012, Wright Hotels, a Seattle-based management company, came in to buy the property and pumped millions into renovations. Semiahmoo Resort with it's 212-room destination hotel features a pool, full-service spa, fitness center, multiple and diverse restaurants.

Semiahmoo Golf & Country Club is an Arnold Palmer designed layout. It's a great layout and playable for all levels of golfers.

Loomis Trail Golf Club has a different setting, offering some links-style holes and some typical Northwest-style tree-lined holes and water hazards. The acclaimed Jeff Coston Academy is also located Semiahmoo Resort.

## Port Ludlow Resort

Port Ludlow has been a golfers favorite for years. And for good reason, the tranquil setting amongst the trees makes playing the 18-hole course literally a walk in the park.

The resort sits on the northern tip of Hood Canal with views of the Cascade Range and the Olympic Mountains.

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 the 37-room boutique waterfront inn. There's also plenty to do, including kayaking, bike-riding, hiking and checking out the nearby town of Port Townsend.

## Sage Hills Golf & RV Resort

Sage Hills Golf and RV Resort is one of those laid-back places you love to come back to. The course is fun and challenging and the facilities are well maintained.

For RVers there are 42 level sites with full hook-ups. There is also a swimming pool, laundry, a full-service restaurant and lounge that can accommodate up to 100 people. The course is 18 holes with a par of 71 and is located 17 miles south of Moses Lake along highway 17.

## Kahler Glen Golf & Ski Resort

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.

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 everything in your bag. It is a prodigious 630-yard par-5.

## Spokane RV Resort

Just north of Spokane, sits the town of Deer Park. And the town is home to the terrific Spokane RV Resort. The golf course is first rate and the RV Park is top-notch too, with free wireless, showers, pool, free 9-hole miniature golf, an area specifically designed for big rigs and a recreational pavilion with exercise equipment, large screen TV and a dance floor. Woodall's has given the resort five-star rating. It is a place that is definitely worth the time to make the stop.

## Clearwater Resort

The Suquamish Indian Tribe first got into the resort business with the opening of its Clearwater Resort near Kingston. And more recently, the tribe bought the White Horse Golf Club to give it yet another amenity for the resort.

The White Horse Golf Club has undergone some subtle tweaks since the casino bought it and it added a spectacular clubhouse that overlooks the 18th green.

The hotel features 85 waterfront rooms, a spa and plenty of meeting spaces to lure businesses in from out of town. The course is a treat, measuring 7,093 yards from the back tees and featuring views of the Puget Sound and Olympic Mountains. The casino has four restaurants

## 7Cedars Resort

The Jamestown S'kallam Indian Tribe decided to expand its resort when it purchased the Dungeness Golf Club. To go in line with its casino-resort theme, the golf course was renamed the Cedars at Dungeness.

The resort and golf course which are located in Sequim, offer a little of something for everyone. The golf course is one of the driest in the Pacific Northwest, being located in the Olympic Rain Shadow and the casino is loaded with games, entertainment and dining. There is also plenty of sight-seeing to do in the area, located on the Olympic Peninsula.



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