



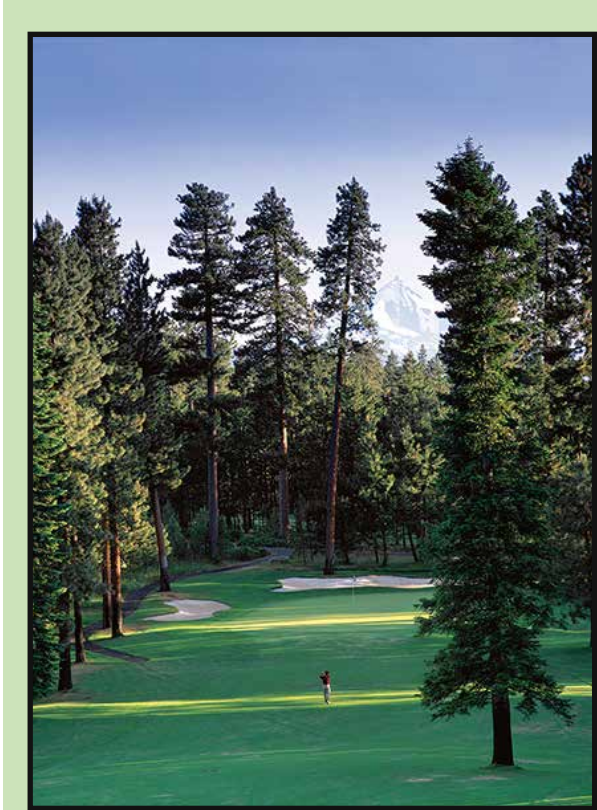
Northwest Indian Tribes offer some outstanding golf choices

Pacific Northwest Tribes own some of the top courses in the Northwest like North Shore in Tacoma (near right) and the Cedars at Dungeness in Sequim (far right). See inside for more.



Golf is a popular pursuit for tribes

Pacific Northwest Indian Tribes are finding out that golf is a good complement to their other businesses. Indian Tribes have bought golf courses or created their own at places like Loomis Trail in Blaine, Wash (right), Ocean Dunes in Florence, Ore. (lower left) and Wildhorse in Pendleton, Ore. (lower right). There are many things to like about what the Northwest Indian Tribes are doing with golf in the area. For more, please see inside this special section of Inside Golf Newspaper.



Central Oregon: Road trip will provide plenty of golf and scenic sights

There are several things to see and do when traveling around the Central Oregon area. From the golf at places like Black Butte Ranch Resort (left) with its two championship courses to Juniper Golf Club in Redmond (near right), host of many major championships, there is no shortage of award-winning golf to be found. And off the course there is even more to do from hiking to fishing to river rafting and wine tasting. The Central Oregon area is a place that has it all. For more on the area, please see inside this section of Inside Golf Newspaper.

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Indian tribes buying or building golf courses has become a trend in the Pacific Northwest

From Oregon to Washington to Idaho, Pacific Northwest, Native American Indian Tribes have found out there are complementing business opportunities to their casinos. Sure, the casino is their core business, and the hotels augment that investment. But many are finding out that owning a golf course can be an asset.

All three Pacific Northwest states now have tribal owned golf courses. And many of these courses are ranked among the best in the Northwest.

Most tribes have bought existing golf courses that they could renew and enhance, while others have developed their own course from the ground up, like the Squaxin Island Tribe with Salish Cliffs in Shelton, Wash. and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe in Idaho with its Circling Raven Golf Club. Both of those golf courses are ranked among the best in the Pacific Northwest.

The state of Washington has the most Indian Tribe-owned courses with eight, Oregon has four and Idaho has one.

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NW Indian Tribes and golf

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Idaho

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Washington tribal golf

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• **The Jamestown Skallam Tribe** bought Dungeness Golf Club and changed the name to The Cedars at Dungeness and made significant improvements to the entrance and the grounds around the clubhouse. They did a major remodel of the clubhouse, adding a new restaurant and updating the entire building. The course has been manicured to resort standards as part of their master plan. A new 100-room casino hotel opened in 2020 at the 7Cedars Casino for stay and play options. They also took over the management of Peninsula Golf Club in Port Angeles.

• **The Swinomish Indian Tribe** bought Smilk Golf Course in Anacortes and changed the name to Swinomish Golf Links and they managed to hire a top-notch superintendent in Matt Atterberry who was previously at Suncadia. The resort comes complete with a hotel, casino and an RV park overlooking the water.

• **White Horse Golf Club is owned by the Suquamish Indian Tribe** who operate the Clearwater Casino Resort located between Poulsbo and Bainbridge Island. The course was recognized by *Golf Digest* as one of the top 10 new public golf courses in 2010. Once considered one of the most difficult courses in the Northwest, it was softened in some of the more difficult areas making it playable by all skill levels. Don't be fooled, it still has teeth and is a bear depending on which tee you choose to play from. The Clearwater Casino also has RV parking with 60 back-in and pull-through spots.

• **Loomis Trail in Ferndale was bought by the Lummi Nation Tribe** in October of 2018. While the course has always been in great condition,

no changes are expected. The clubhouse grill has been remodeled to create a sports bar feel. Being affiliated with the Silver Reef Casino provides several stay and play options for guests. There are also 15 rooms at the golf course that are available. There is a shuttle between the course and the casino. The Silver Reef Casino has 10 dining options from The Steak House to The Cantina Bar. With over 1,000 slot machines and all of the favorite table games, plus nightly entertainment, it makes a perfect outing.

• **Salish Cliffs Golf Club is owned by the Squaxin Island Tribe** and located in Shelton. The best description for the golf course is stunning. It is world-class golf that plays to 7,269 yards from the tips or as short as 5,313 yards from the forward tees – 5 sets of tees to choose from. Bentgrass fairways and greens and total privacy on 16 of the 18 holes that are encircled in lush forestry. Carts are required as the course covers over 300 acres with several long distances between holes and frequent elevation changes. Walking and push carts are not permitted. The cedar log clubhouse has a full service restaurant. The adjacent Little Creek Casino Resort is a perfect get away with spacious rooms, the Seven Inlets Spa, an RV Park and several dining options and all the games you could desire.

• **The Puyallup Tribe of Indians also got into the golf business by buying North Shore Golf Course** in Tacoma. It is the perfect amenity to go with its brand new casino that just opened along Interstate-5 and its other casino and a hotel in Fife. There is a second hotel being built next to the new casino as part of the Emerald Queen property. A new pro shop and practice area have given North Shore a new fresh look. In addition to a challenging and well-kept golf course, North Shore boasts a covered and open real grass driving range facility, a chipping green and two putting greens.

• **Oaksridge Golf Course was bought by the Chehalis Indian Tribe** in 2019 - a family-friendly public golf course in Elma. The golf course gives the tribe a new amenity to go along with its Lucky Eagle Casino in nearby Rochester.



The Puyallup Indian Tribe got into the golf business a few years ago by buying North Shore Golf Course in Tacoma (top); the Squaxin Island Tribe developed its own golf course when Salish Cliffs opened up.

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Pacific Northwest tribes see that golfers are gamblers too

It's no secret that the casinos are cash cows that provide a huge revenue stream to Native American Tribes. But it's not all profit as there is debt to pay back and the large overhead to run the casino just for starters. The ongoing challenge for the casinos is to generate more traffic. This problem is especially important to remote locations.

The interest in golf is also a way to turn casinos into resorts where customers are more likely to stay in the casino hotels.

Many tribes understand that golfers are, by nature, gamblers at heart. This is a perfect audience for their casino business.

Across the country several tribes have sought out the best golf architects to design immaculate layouts for their courses, most of which show up on the must-play lists of national and local publications. Example of this can be seen in the Coeur d'Alene Tribe's Circling Raven in Worley, Idaho or the Squaxin Island Tribe's Salish Cliffs Golf Club. Both tribes enlisted Gene Bates to design stunning courses that routinely makes it to the top of state course lists.

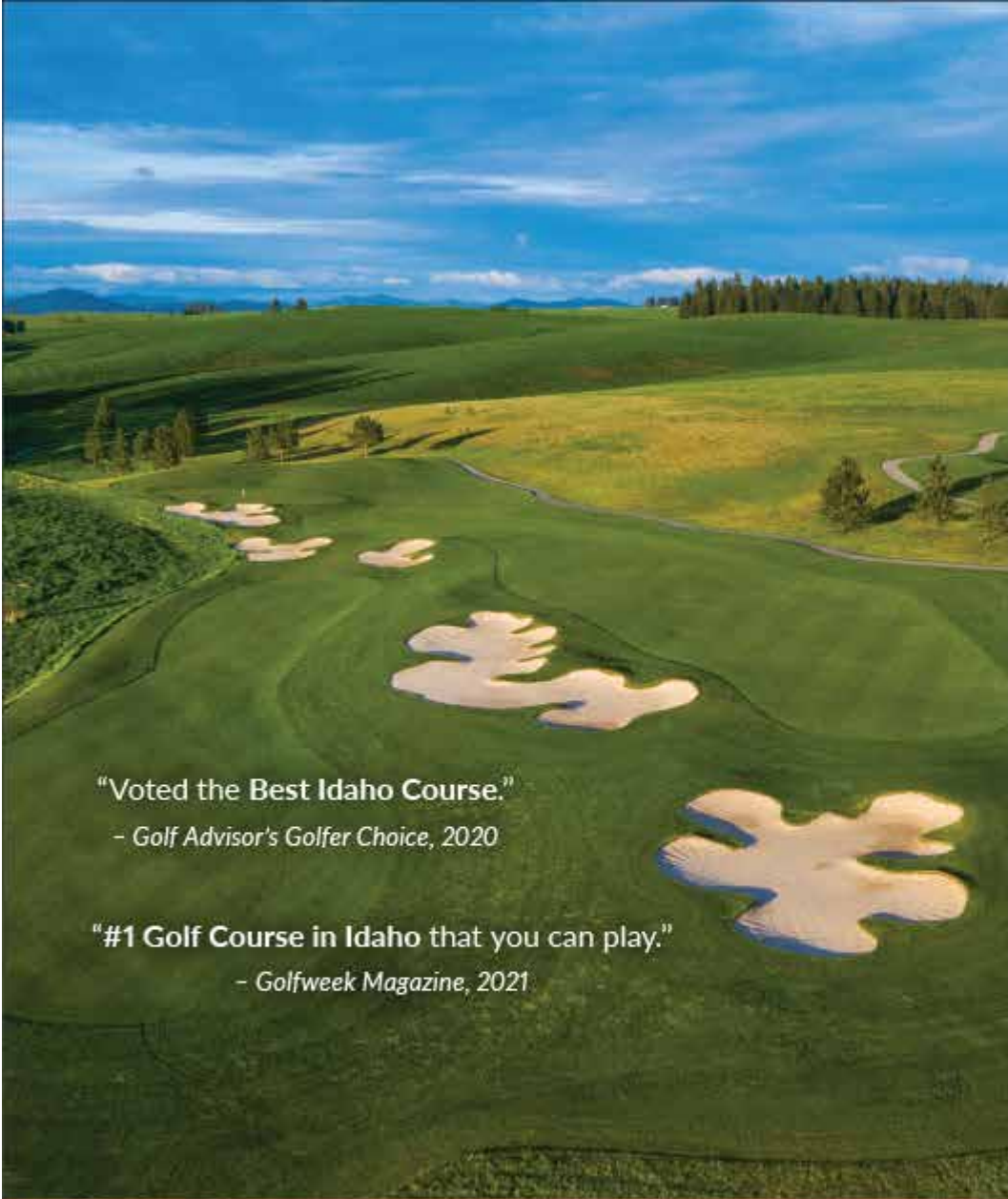
Circling Raven has been one of the nation's most decorated modern resort courses. Salish Cliffs has been listed in the Top 10 Casino Courses by *GolfWeek* magazine for 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

Many tribes offer cut-rate packages to lure golfers and encourage them to check out the casino. Golf is often considered a lost leader and most courses don't make any money from golf. To quote Brad Klein, *Golfweek* magazine's architecture editor, "Golf is designed to sell something. Usually it's real estate, in this case it's casino rooms. The golf itself is a loss leader."

That being said, just try to get on some of the up-scale tribal courses between 8 and 10 am on a weekends and you will swear that this is just not true.

Weddings and group/corporate outings have proven to be another good revenue source.

The Kalispel Indian Tribe got into the golf business by buying and changing the name of Spokane Country Club (right); The Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe has its Circling Raven Golf Club (lower) to go with its resort in Worley, Idaho.



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Oregon tribes and golf

Here is a look at tribal-owned golf courses and resorts in the state of Oregon. There are a handful that offer both golf and resort amenities, including casinos and hotels to complete your stays.

• **Ocean Dunes Golf Links** is located in Florence, Oregon, situated in a stretch of dunes that covers about 40 miles of Oregon coastline, making it one of the most unique golfing experiences in the Northwest.

A true links course with fairways that wander over, around, and through dunes bordered by gorse, heather, shore pins and sea grasses. Narrow fairways and smallish greens will challenge every golfer's game.

If you are planning a trip down the Oregon Coast, this course should be on your must-play list. As with any true links, the course is extremely well drained and playable - even under the wettest conditions - year round. The mild coastal climate in Florence is not too hot in summer and not too cold in winter.

Ocean Dunes is owned by the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians who also own the Three Rivers Casino Resort. The casino is located at the south end of the golf course and has 90 oversized deluxe rooms and suites to choose from. With 5 restaurants, daily entertainment and countless amenities, guests will want to check out their stay and play packages on their website.

• **Wildhorse Resort and Casino** in Pendleton has a new clubhouse and pro shop at the golf course. The new clubhouse includes a large banquet room, a bar and a covered patio for guests to enjoy.

The clubhouse also features a conference room for small meetings and intimate events. A larger room is available for staff or officials to gather and compile scores for tournaments.

Golfers can analyze their swing and improve their swings in the simulator room that uses the

Trackman launch monitor to map a golfer's swing.

The outdoor pavilion has been moved east of the clubhouse and provides a large shaded area for events and tournament meals.

The Wildhorse Casino Resort has one of the biggest and best RV parks with all of the services you would expect in an up-scale facility, even a shuttle to the casino.

The casino has a 10-story hotel where guests have free access to the fitness center and business center, or relax in the indoor pool, sauna and hot tub. There is also five-screen Cineplex in the casino.

The tribe just purchased the Pendleton Country Club, which is now called the Golf Course at Birch Creek and open to the public.

• **Chinook Winds** in Lincoln City used to be called Lakeside GC and was bought by the Confederated tribes of Siletz Indians. The 18-hole course plays to 4,547 yards. The course includes a pro shop, the only indoor driving range on the Oregon Coast, fitness center, Aces Sports Bar & Grill and meeting rooms. The resort offers 243 rooms including 160 oceanfront rooms; 61 of them fireplace suites.

End Of An Era: The Ka-Nee-Ta Resort Closed its doors in 2018

Ka-Nee-Tah Resort and Spa closed its doors in September of 2018. Kah-Nee-Ta Resort & Spa was located in central Oregon, on the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, near the community of Warm Springs, Oregon. The golf course was owned by The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs and was built in the 1980s. The spring-fed swimming pool, the campground, the teepees, the horses, the hotel surrounded by high desert trails had been a Northwest favorite. A sad ending to generations of visitors.



The Coos, Umpqua and Siuslaw Tribes bought Ocean Dunes to go with their Three Rivers Casino.



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Quinault Beach Resort: An ocean getaway

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The resort sits on the shores of the Washington Coast and features some rooms with views of the Pacific Ocean and the chance to go to sleep with the sounds of ocean waves coming through the windows.

The resort has a little of something for everyone. There are the variety of slot machines and two restaurants give you a chance to sample different foods, a spa offers different types of services.

The resort is just down the road from downtown Ocean Shores Golf Course and the city of Ocean Shores with its multitude of tourist activities, including the chance to drive your car on the beach.

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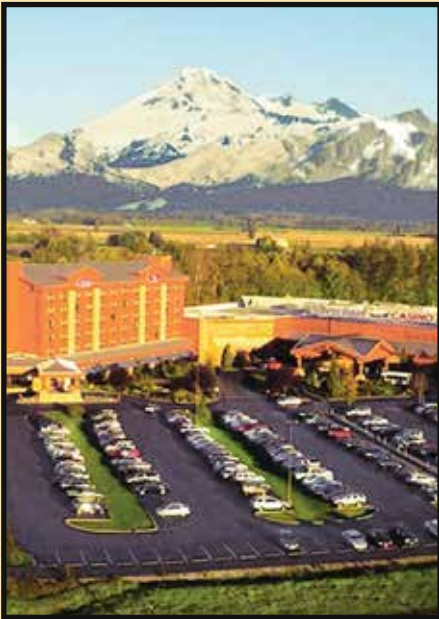
Loomis Trail, Silver Reef make a resort pair

When the Lummi Nation decided to get into the golf business, it did in a big way by buying the Loomis Trail Golf Club in Blaine, Wash. It now gives the tribe a complete resort with its golf course and Silver Reef Casino Resort in Ferndale.

Designed by Graham Cooke, Loomis Trail Golf Club is the #5 public golf course in Washington, as rated by *GolfWeek*. It's also the only course in Washington State to make the nation's Top 100. Constructed with the Northwest in mind, Loomis Trail is at the top of the list for year-round play. An extensive canal and lake system brings water into play on all 18 holes.

The resort has a variety of packages to get golfers and their guests to the area from its Stay and Play Packages to the Birdie Package or the Eagle Stay and Golf, which includes two nights lodging, \$100 resort or pro shop credit, breakfast for two, shuttle to the golf course, range balls and more.

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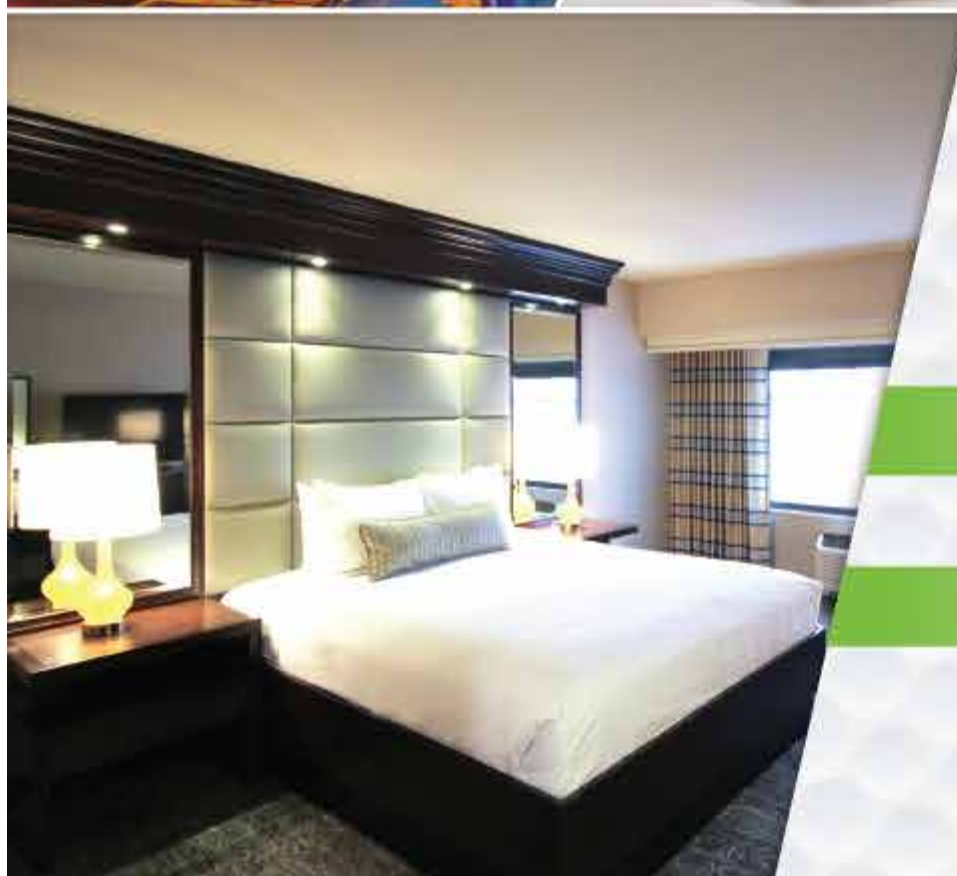


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Central Oregon Tour: Award-winning courses dot the landscape

Editor's note: *Inside Golf Newspaper* has traveled to the Central Oregon many times through the years. Here's a look at where to play and what is new at the courses in the area.

Juniper Golf Course

Juniper Golf Club has undergone some serious changes over the years. The biggest, of course, was a completely new Juniper, which opened 2005 and replaced the old Juniper. The old Juniper Golf Club was located near the Redmond Airport and when it became too costly to keep the land, the city of Redmond began to look at other options. The best one was to work on a deal with the Bureau of Land Management to acquire land just south of town and have Northwest architect John Harbottle design a new course. When the new Juniper Golf Club opened for play it was a hit both on and off the course. The course also hosted the Oregon Open.

The new Juniper plays to over 7,100 yards from the tips and has some terrific scenery, with the Oregon High Desert serving as a great background.

Golf Digest took notice of the new course, naming Juniper as one of the Best New Affordable Courses (under \$75) for the 2006 golf season.

Most holes have great views, but the view from the 14th tee is dramatic. The view from the 14th gives players a peek at two mountains. The 15th hole gives golfers a nice view as well as this par-4 features lava rock and a large sand bunker and water. Juniper has hosted some of the top championships in the state of Oregon.

Black Butte Ranch Resort

Black Butte Ranch is one of those special places that not only has plenty of family activities, but also offers two golf courses to choose from.

With the Big Meadow and Glaze Meadow golf courses, Black Butte is a golfer's paradise. Each course provides a different, yet challenging golf experience and both are worth the trip to Central Oregon.

Big Meadow was updated in 2007, the course stretches over 7,000 yards from the championship tees and features expansive fairways, sweeping cape-and-bay bunkers and elevated green complexes to challenge golfers of all skill levels. and now features new tee boxes on every hole.

The Glaze Meadow went through a extensive \$3.75

million renovation by architect John Fought in 2012. When it reopened golfers were treated to an experience unlike anything else in Central Oregon. The modernization of the design includes five sets of tees on every hole, allowing golfers of all skill levels to enjoy the game.

Here are a few of the other activities available, like fishing, pickleball, cycling, tennis, swimming, Bocce ball, rafting, horseback riding, a spa and many other family fun things to do.

Crooked River Ranch Resort

At Crooked River, the fifth hole is perhaps one of the most dynamic golf holes you will come across. There's a great view and a tough shot. The dogleg left hole, a 260-yard par-4, may not seem intimidating on the scorecard, but from the tee box it's another story.

The Crooked River runs along the left side of the hole in a large deep canyon and the desert sits on the right side. The green can be driven, but it's a tough shot. Any shot to the left, and you're left looking straight down 12 stories at your ball floating away in the Crooked River. In his book on Oregon Golf, author Paul Linnman calls the hole "the most spectacular golf hole in Oregon."

Crooked River Ranch is a place for families. Not only is there the golf, there's the camping, fishing and boating. With plenty of outdoor activities in and around the resort, a family vacation will never get boring.

Aspen Lakes Golf Club

Aspen Lakes is the result of a lot of hard work and imagination by the Cyrus family who bought the land in 1987. They turned a high desert farm land into one of the jewels in Central Oregon.

If you had to pick two things that stand out at Aspen Lakes Golf Course, it would have to be the unique red volcanic crushed rock sand used in the bunkers and the great views of the mountains in the Cascade Range.

Designed by Northwest golf architect Bill Overdorf, the course was named one of the "Top Ten Affordable Golf Courses" in 2001 by *Golf Digest*.

Ponderosa pines, scented juniper trees, pristine lakes and breathtaking views of the Cascade Mountains at almost every turn make Aspen Lakes an amazing all around golf experience. It's no wonder it is a popular place for families and as well as corporate outings. A new rustic clubhouse adds to the golfing experience.



Juniper Golf Club in Redmond has hosted some of the top championships in the state of Oregon.



Black Butte Ranch Resort offers two championship golf courses - Glaze Meadow and Big Meadow.



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Eagle Crest Golf Resort

Surrounded by majestic, snowcapped Cascade Mountains, Eagle Crest Resort is located along the Deschutes River, just west of Redmond and north of Bend. Named a Golf Digest Best Place to Play in 2008 and 2009, guests return year-after-year for the Resort's 54 holes of golf (three courses) and extremely valuable, unlimited golf packages. They also return for the fully renovated Lodge at Eagle Crest, well-maintained vacation homes, three sport centers, indoor and outdoor pools, multiple tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, miles of hiking and biking trails, spa, and countless recreational pursuits throughout Central Oregon.

When it comes to golf, challenge, variety and value are the top priorities at Eagle Crest Resort. With two championship golf courses, the par-63 Challenge Course, and a popular 18-hole putting course, links lovers are never far from their favorite pastime. Four sets of tees on each course allow the more experienced golfers plenty of challenge, and the less experienced equally enjoyable rounds. And thanks to the lower elevation, The Ridge and Challenge Courses remain open all winter long.

Running Y Ranch Resort

Running Y Ranch, Southern Oregon's only full-service destination resort, is home to the Arnold Palmer Signature Course, Arnold's only course in Oregon. Situated in the heart of the breathtaking Cascade Mountain range, just across the California boarder on the shores of Klamath Lake, the resort's exceptionally mild climate and 300 days of sunshine add up to a four-season recreational paradise.

The Arnold Palmer Signature Course at Running Y Ranch is consistently rated one of the country's best. When Arnold Palmer was asked to pick a favorite golf course from his many designs, he did not chose one, but 16. The list has become known as Arnold's "Sweet 16",

and includes his course at Running Y Ranch. "The course at Running Y Ranch is one of my best tracks." – Arnold Palmer.

If you're looking for an Oregon golf resort that has it all, along with plenty of value, you will find it here. Running Y Ranch features a fully renovated, 82-room Lodge and new restaurant.

Lost Tracks Golf Club

Lost Tracks Golf Club in Bend opened in 1996 and was carved out of a stand of Ponderosa pines with lava rock outcroppings and small lakes that give the course a nice peaceful charm.

The bridge to the par-3 16th green is a railroad car, complete with everything you would find in a passenger car including the many bag tags left by golfers from other courses. The course got its name after construction workers found old railroad spikes and train tracks during the early stages of course preparation.

Under owner Brian Whitcomb, Lost Tracks has made significant changes. The most recent change is dramatic - the removal of trees and between the 13th and 14th holes and the construction of a series of water features between the two holes, which includes ponds connected with a stream.

River's Edge Golf Course

River's Edge Golf Course in Bend is known for its challenging layout and for good reason. The course sits on a hillside and features rolling fairways and undulating greens.

Along with its challenges, golfers should be pleased with the amount of positive changes the course has undergone. Tee boxes have been leveled, the fairway on the second hole has been made level, trees and limbs have been removed for better sight lines and the fairway on No. 17 hole has been widened.

Plenty of private clubs

There are plenty of private country clubs in the Central Oregon area as well as public courses. In Bend, there are three of the top courses in the state with Bend Golf



Aspen Lakes in Sisters (top) and Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond (bottom) are two popular choices.

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Central Oregon Tour: Plenty of golf variety to be found in the area

and Country Club, Broken Top and Awbrey Glen.

Bend Golf and Country Club is the oldest, having opened its original nine holes for play 75 years ago. It became an 18-hole course in 1974 and renovations have helped keep the course up to date. Both Awbrey Glen and Broken Top opened in 1993. Awbrey Glen opened as a public course, but turned private in 2000. Pronghorn is a private golf community and has two courses, which have already received a lot of attention. One is a Jack Nicklaus course and the other is a Tom Fazio course.

Sunriver Resort

If you are seeking a variety of incredible golf courses and want to stay in one place, then Sunriver Resort is the place for you. The Meadows and Woodlands courses are both beautiful and challenging, but are often overshadowed by the attention given to the award-winning Crosswater. Sunriver is a popular resort for families in winter and summer and has all of the activities that you would expect to find at a top resort including a spa, many dining options, a fitness center, and of course the golf. A new course called Caldera Springs has opened, located next to Crosswater, and is a perfect place for your short game practice, although there are some longer holes.

Sunriver's Crosswater course, designed by Bob Cupp and John Fought, is perhaps one of the most visually pleasing courses you will ever come across.

The Little Deschutes River runs through the course and comes into play on many of the holes. Mount Bachelor is visible from several holes and the Deschutes River also can be seen. The course was ranked in the top 100 Greatest in the country by *Golf Digest* and is ranked third in the state.

Widgi Creek Golf Club

Widgi Creek Golf Club in Bend seemed to be in trouble in December of 2004 when the course went into bankruptcy, but Portland businessman Barry Helm stepped in, bought the course and immediately has made some noticeable changes.

In order to get the course back to pristine condition, Helm purchased a new fleet of maintenance equipment. He also improved the irrigation system and has renovated the clubhouse, including the kitchen and restaurant. Helm's improvements have made Widgi Creek a place you want to stop at when playing golf in Central Oregon.



Tetherow Golf Club in Bend was designed by David McLay Kidd and now features lodging and more to make it a destination place for golfers.

Meadow Lakes Golf Course

Meadow Lakes Golf Course in Prineville has an interesting background. In 1988 the city of Prineville was looking for a way to treat its water after facing fines of up to \$25,000 a day. The solution was to build some water treatment ponds – and build a golf course around the ponds, which eventually became the Meadow Lakes Golf Course.

Today, Meadow Lakes is an environmentally friendly golf course that presents a links-style layout with several water hazards to keep you focused. One of those hazards comes into play on the very first hole, a par-5 dogleg right.

Quail Run Golf Course

Quail Run had always been thought of as a terrific nine-holer, but when nine new holes were built, the course suddenly became a Central Oregon hot spot. Quail Run plays to nearly 7,000 yards from the tips and features

mountain and desert views. Located just south of Sunriver, the course is worth the few extra miles south.

Tetherow Golf Club

When Tetherow Golf Club in Bend opened for play the course was an award winner right out of the gate. Many of the top golf publications around named Tetherow as one of the top new courses. And for good reason. The David McLay Kidd design is a challenging layout and offers links golf. The greens are large and undulating and the fairways have some small bunkers to grab those errant shots.

Tetherow encompasses 700 acres, has an 18-hole golf course, 50-room boutique hotel, pool, three restaurants, vacation rental homes, event pavilion, golf academy and various residential neighborhoods. In 2016 the Event Pavilion, vacation rental homes and swimming pool opened. New lodging has helped raise the bar at Tetherow as well to make it a complete destination resort.

In 2017 Tetherow Sport, a complete workout facility, and Solomon's, a fine dining restaurant, opened.

Brasada Ranch Resort

Brasada Canyons offers amazing golf, top-notch service, and a front row seat to the natural wonder of Central Oregon. Designed by native Oregonian Peter Jacobsen and Jim Hardy, the course just outside Bend is undeniably one of Central Oregon's most beautiful and enjoyable.

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