



Northwest Washington and the Olympic Peninsula



Home Course in DuPont partners with local hotels

There are certain places that come to mind when you think of stay and play deals. Throw The Home Course into that mix now. The Home Course, owned and operated by both Washington Golf and the PNGA in DuPont, Wash. has partnered with several hotels.

The Hampton Inn, Home 2 Suites, Best Western, Liberty Inn, Fairfield Inn and FairBridge Inn and Suites are working with the course on a stay and play package deal from May 1 through July 31, where you book a room through the hotel links and you will get two free rounds and cart.

The Home Course opened in 2007 and been the home for some top championships including the U.S. Amateur and US. Women's Public Links.

The course recently added the Golf House Grill and a new pro shop is expected to open in May. The Home Course was ranked as the No. 2 public golf course in Washington in 2008 by *GolfWeek Magazine*. For information call 866.964.0520 or see www.thehomecourse.com.

NW Washington: A golfer's playground

Northwest Washington is a golfer's dream of choices. From the scenic Olympic Peninsula to the Bellingham area down south to where it all starts around Olympia, there is no shortage of terrific golf to be found.

There is award-winning golf and lots of other activities to be found in the area. Courses like Shuksan in Bellingham (right), Semiahmoo Resort in Blaine (lower left) and Camaloch on Camano Island (lower right) are just a few of the places you will want to try out. And there is more than just golf. Mount Baker offers a wilderness playground and the San Juan Islands are a tourist's delight. The Olympic Mountains are an adventure for hikers and fishermen alike – meaning you are sure to find something fun to do in this area.

Inside Golf takes you inside the northwest part of Washington where we will show you the courses and help you find out where the stay and play options are as well.



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Indian tribes of NW Washington have been investing heavily in golf courses

Pacific Northwest Indian Tribes have found that golf is good business by acquiring golf courses and developing their own in Northwest Washington. Five Pacific Northwest Indian tribes in Northwest Washington have either developed their own golf courses or bought existing courses and changed the name.

Salish Cliffs in Shelton, Wash., Swinomish Golf Links in Anacortes, The Cedars at Dungeness in Sequim, Loomis Trail in Blaine and White Horse Golf Club in Kingston are all owned by Northwest Indian Tribes. The Pacific Northwest Indian Tribes have not only invested in golf but most offer overnight lodging and, of course, the attractions at their consinos.

Indian Tribes and golf

• **Salish Cliffs Golf Club:** Course in Shelton is owned by the Squaxin Island Indian tribe. Resort adjacent to the golf courses is called the Little Creek Resort.

• **Swinomish Golf Links:** Course in Anacortes is owned by the Swinomish Indian Tribe. Resort is called Swinomish Casino Resort.

• **The Cedars at Dungeness:** Course in Sequim is owned by the Jamestown S'Kallam Indian Tribe. Nearby casino in Sequim is called Seven Cedars.

• **White Horse Golf Club:** Course in Kingston is owned by the Suquamish Indian Tribe, which bought the course after it had the Clearwater Resort.

• **Loomis Trail Golf Club:** Course in Blaine, Wash. was bought by the Lummi Nation Indian Tribe, which also owns the Silver Reef Hotel Casino Spa.



Swinomish Golf Links in Anacortes is a scenic links-style golf course with Mt. Baker in backdrop.

Swinomish Golf Links is hosting Community Day

Swinomish Golf Links will be hosting its third Community Golf Day on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, beginning at 6 a.m. This all-day event gives golfers the opportunity to give to local nonprofits as they enjoy a round of golf.

Charities will be stationed at different holes throughout the course to spread awareness of their noble causes and collect donations from players. Attendees will also enjoy exciting raffles and games throughout the day with the chance to win exclusive prizes.

While this is a fun-filled day of golf and games, the driving force behind Community Golf Day is the chance to support incredible local nonprofits. There are plenty of ways to give throughout the day. In addition to direct donations, proceeds from raffles and games will be split amongst participating charities. A portion of the green fees will also be split amongst the charities.

Nestled between Fidalgo Bay and Similk Bay in beautiful Anacortes, Washington, Swinomish Golf Links is a golfer's paradise. Perfect for seasoned professionals and newcomers alike, this 18-hole links-style course features tree-lined fairways, approachable greens, and incredible views of Mount Baker.

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Olympic Peninsula Golf Tour



If you are looking to get out of the city and want some great golf, here are a few to take a look at when heading to the Olympic Peninsula:

Port Ludlow Golf Course

Golf Magazine named Port Ludlow as one of the top five public courses in Washington State. The two 9-hole courses are named Tide and Timber. Both nines have elevation changes with tall trees on the fairway edges. The course is well bunkered especially around the greens.

A short ferry ride from Edmonds and a 20-mile drive from the Kingston ferry dock. Port Ludlow offers the perfect get-away for anyone looking to take a break from the city. With a quaint inn, restaurant, spa and full service marina, the resort offers something for everyone.

Port Townsend Golf Course

The 9-hole course is located in the historical seaport city of Port Townsend and features 2,731 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 35. The course will challenge you while providing a relaxing, picturesque backdrop.

The course starts out with a right sloping dog-leg par 5 playing 490 yards down hill to a smallish green. The second hole can be a bit scary, as this par 3 requires a tee shot over water to a difficult sloping green. While walkable, there are a few hills to negotiate so a cart might be a good idea.

Port Townsend Golf Course has a driving range and a popular outside deck for after round drinks and snacks.



Discovery Bay Golf Course (top) is just outside of the historical seaport of Port Townsend; Port Ludlow (above) is a challenging golf course.



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Locator Maps for NW Washington and Olympic Peninsula

Map of NW Washington/Bellingham

1. Homestead G & CC 18 holes, 6,927 yards Lynden, Public	13. Gateway 9 holes, 3,050 yards Sedro Woolley, Public
2. Raspberry Ridge 9 holes, 2,825 yards Everson, Public	14. Avalon Golf Club 27 holes Burlington, Public
3. Evergreen 9 holes, 2,145 yards Everson, Public	15. Swinomish Golf Links 18 holes, 6,205 yards Anacortes, Public
4. Grandview 18 holes, 6,404 yards Custer, Public	16. Overlook 9 holes, 2,540 yards Mount Vernon, Public
5. Semiahmoo Golf & CC 18 holes, 7,005 yards Blaine, Public	17. Orcas Island 9 holes, 3,060 yards Eastsound, Public
6. Loomis Trail Golf Club 18 holes, 7,100 yards Blaine, Public	18. San Juan Golf Club 9 holes, 3,194 yards Friday Harbor, Public
7. Birch Bay Remodeled 9 holes Blaine, Public	19. Lopez Island GC 9 holes, 2,704 yards Lopez, Public
8. Dakota Creek 18 holes, 5,185 yards Custer, Public	20. Point Roberts 18 holes, 6,000 yards Point Roberts, Public
9. Shuksan Golf Club 18 holes, 6,743 yards Bellingham, Public	21. Gleneagle 18 holes, 6,010 yards Arlington, Public
10. North Bellingham 18 holes, 6,816 yards Bellingham, Public	22. Whidbey Golf Club 18 holes, 6,464 yards Oak Harbor, Semi-private
11. Sudden Valley 18 holes, 6,553 yards Bellingham, Public	23. Camaloch Golf Course 18 holes, 6,234 yards Camano Island, Public
12. Lake Padden 18 holes, 6,575 yards Bellingham, Public	24. Holmes Harbor 18 holes, 4,279 yards (south) Whidbey Island Not shown on map



Map of the Olympic Peninsula



1. Peninsula Golf Club 18 holes, 6,308 Port Angeles, Semi-private	11. Alderbrook Golf Club 18 holes, 6,305 yards Union, Public	21. Village Greens 18 holes, Exec. 3,255 yds Port Orchard, Public
2. Cedars at Dungeness 18 holes, 6,378 yards Sequim, Public	12. Lake Limerick 9 holes, 2,898 yards Shelton, Public	22. McCormick Woods 18 holes, 7,040 yards Port Orchard, Public
3. SkyRidge Golf Course 10 holes, 3,305 yards Sequim, Public	13. Oaksridge 18 holes, 5,643 yards Elma, Public	23. Trophy Lake 18 holes, 7,206 yards Port Orchard, Public
4. SunLand Golf Club 18 holes, 6,313 yards Sequim, Semi-private	14. Highland 18 holes, 6,112 yards Cosmopolis, Public	24. Gig Harbor G & CC 9 holes, 2,702 yards Gig Harbor, Semi-private
5. Port Townsend GC 9 holes, 2,763 yards Port Townsend, Public	15. Ocean Shores 18 holes, 6,252 yards Ocean Shores, Public	25. Madrona Links 18 holes, 5,602 yards Gig Harbor, Public
6. Discovery Bay 18 holes, 6,659 yards Port Townsend, Public	16. Surfside 9 holes, 2,960 yards Long Beach, Public	26. Hawks Prairie 36 holes Lacey
7. Port Ludlow Resort 18 holes, 6,861 Port Ludlow, Public	17. Meadowmeer G & CC 9 holes, 2,824 yards Bainbridge Island, Semi-private	27. Tumwater Golf Course 18 holes, 7,154 yards Tumwater, Public
8. Lake Cushman GC 9 holes, 2,848 yards Hoodport, Public	18. Rolling Hills 18 holes, 5,910 yards Bremerton, Public	28. The Home Course 18 holes, 7,400 DuPont, Public
9. White Horse Golf Club 18 holes, 7,093 yards Kingston, Public	19. Gold Mountain 36 holes Bremerton, Public	29. Salish Cliffs 18 holes, 7,269 yards Shelton, Public
10. LakeLand Village 27 holes Allyn, Public	20. Horseshoe Lake 18 holes, 2,915 yards Port Orchard, Public	30. Grays Harbor C C 9 holes, 2,219 Aberdeen, Semi-Private

No shortage of golf on Olympic Peninsula

Military golf at JBLM

Eagle's Pride at Fort Lewis (joint based Fort Lewis and McChord Base), features 27 holes of golf: the green, blue and red courses. It has just about everything you would expect from a Northwest course – tall trees, sand, water and tight fairways.

New at both Eagle's Pride and its sister course Whispering Firs at McChord Air Force Base offer a JBLM Pass – a 7-day pass that gives golfers specials, good prices and much more.

The Home Course

A golf course in DuPont, Wash. existed for a few years before the PNGA came in, bought it and called it the Home Course. And what a place it is. The Mike Asmundson-designed course is user-friendly, but at the same time can be a monster if you choose to walk to the back tee boxes called Dynamite Tees and play the 7,400 yards.

A new clubhouse opened in 2020 and is the new headquarters for the PNGA. The Home Course hosts several PNGA championships. It's definitely a must play on all golfers bucket list and worth the trip when heading toward the bottom of the Olympic Peninsula. The PNGA made some changes to the back side changing the 11th hole to a par-4 and the 12th hole to a par-3. Both come with new bunkers, including a couple that are deep-faced and look like they came right from Europe.

Lake Cushman Golf Course

Lake Cushman Golf Course sits on the edge of the Olympic National Park, high above the Hood Canal community of Hoodsport.

The course and surroundings are truly a walk in the park – or a ride if you choose – where wildlife sighting is common. This well-maintained nine-hole course has separate tees to make a par 72. It is popular among locals as well as with campers and vacationers. The natural forested setting produces a calming atmosphere for relaxing rounds of golf. The course is challenging yet playable for all levels of golfers. There is also a driving range and practice putting green at the course. Hot dogs and snacks are available at the pro shop.

SunLand Golf and Country Club

Established as a private club and located in a mostly retirement community in Sequim and winds through huge fir, cedar and spruce trees, and is well protected with bunkers and ponds. There are a couple of elevation changes that add a good mixture to the round. Sunland plays to just over 6,000 yards with a par of 72. While not long, it plays tight.

The course, which was formerly private, is now open to the public during limited times. The course hosted the sectional qualifying for the 2019 US Senior Amateur Championship.

Salish Cliffs

When Salish Cliffs opened for public play in 2011, it was obvious that this amenity of the Little Creek Casino and Squaxin Island tribe was something special. The Gene Bates-designed course won several awards in its first year, including being

named one of the top new courses for 2011.

At 7,269 yards the course offers everything - from ponds to sand traps to wetlands to the elevation changes, Salish Cliffs is a place that is a golfing treat with some stunning Pacific NW views and some challenging holes along the way.

And don't forget about the casino, hotel and convention center, which sit right next door to the golf course.

Discovery Bay Golf Course

Discovery Bay Golf Club sits on a secluded 200-acre point above Discovery Bay, just outside the historic Victorian Seaport town of Port Townsend, Washington.

The two nines are vastly different; the original nine is contained in the lowlands while the back nine is built on the top and along the side of a hillside that provides some challenging drives and approach shots. Both nines have a lot of character.

The course is managed by Randy White who has orchestrated a continuous year-round plan of upgrading the course that includes new tee boxes, numerous drainage projects and brush clearing.

The course has some of the fastest greens you will find west of the mountains thanks to a new greens roller – and with the undulating greens it will challenge your putting skills. The old-style clubhouse has a large deck that overlooks the front nine and is a great place to relax with food and drink after a round. There is also a practice driving range at the course. If you are visiting the Port Townsend area, you need to play this course.

LakeLand Village

LakeLand Village, located between Hood Canal and Puget Sound's Case Inlet, in the town of Allyn, Washington, is the only residential community that offers 27 holes of golf – three distinctly different nines – Generation I, Generation II and Generation III. With numerous ponds, gaping bunkers and majestic views of the Olympics and Mount Rainier, golfers will appreciate the scenic and challenging courses and the well-groomed putting greens.

There is also a spring-fed lake, stocked annually with rainbow trout, where residents can enjoy fishing year round. In addition to a restaurant and sports bar (The Bistro), the clubhouse also provides banquet facilities.

SkyRidge Golf Course

SkyRidge Golf Course is a family owned and operated golf course off Old Olympic Highway in Sequim, WA. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned athlete, you are able to enjoy all the amenities this public course has to offer, every day of the year. SkyRidge Golf Course has a driving range, putting & chipping greens, pro shop, power or push carts to rent, access to a PGA-certified pro for lessons, and our restaurant and bar, Soren's Café.

This link-style course has walkable, wide open fairways where you can walk or drive to your ball year-round, challenging holes, surreptitiously placed moguls, as well as water hazards, and sand traps. There's a total of ten greens here, but SkyRidge has the look and feel of an eighteen-hole course. The



Eagle's Pride at Fort Lewis is part of military golf you can find at Joint Base Lewis McChord.



Lake Limerick Golf Course, just outside of Shelton, offers a challenging 9-hole course.

front nine totals a yardage maximum of 3,296, but if you want to play all eighteen, you'll play from a separate set of tee boxes on the back nine totaling 6,529 yards. Their namesake comes from having a stunning view of the Olympic Mountain Range from every hole.

Oaksridge Golf Course

Oaksridge Golf Course sits just off Highway 12 in Elma and is visible from the freeway. The 18-hole track measures 5,643 yards and is a local favorite after opening in 1926.

The course is relatively level so it makes a perfect walking course. Just be advised, the prevailing winds can lengthen it considerably. The Chehalis Tribe recently purchased the course and is making improvements.

The Cedars at Dungeness

The Olympic Mountains deflect the rain clouds around the city of Sequim, making the Cedars at Dungeness one of the driest courses in Western Washington – an average of 13-15 inches of rain per year. With an 18-hole layout measuring over 6,400 yards, Dungeness is protected by sprawling bunkers and narrow approaches to elevated greens.

The signature hole is the par-5 3rd with a series of bunkers in the shape of a Dungeness crab. Even the sand in this hazard is red.

The Jamestown S'Klallam tribe bought the course in 2007 and has invested heavily in the clubhouse and landscaping. It is a great escape for Seattle/Tacoma area golfers who want some quality dry golf.


Tumwater Valley

Tumwater Valley is known for many things, like its great condition, proximity to Interstate-5, reputation for hosting big tournaments – and a couple of par-3 holes that have two greens, offering some variety to its par-3 holes, giving them a shorter look, another a longer look. The course always is in top shape throughout the year.

And its 10-acre practice area is like nothing in the area - with a grass tee hitting area and a terrific short game facility. The restaurant has a large patio area that is a great place to relax.

Highland Golf Course

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Olympic Peninsula: Variety of courses to challenge your game

There are not many flat lies, which makes it even more challenging and the greens are small adding to the difficulty.

Golf Club at Hawk's Prairie

If you are looking for a variety of golf in the same place, the Golf Club at Hawk's Prairie is your place. Located a few miles north of Lacey, the Woodlands Course is a challenging test through the trees while the Links Course offers a more open layout. The courses have become favorites for Puget Sound since they opened for play. A solid practice facility sits near the Links course with plenty of places to hit and putt.

It's the perfect place to spend the day and play 36 holes on two different types of golf courses. Both courses offer the chance to use every club on your bag and both gives you two distinctly different golfing experiences.

Airport Golf Center

Airport Golf has plenty of room for practice, including its covered driving range, putting greens and more. The facility is located next to the Olympia Airport and also has batting cages for baseball enthusiasts.

Ocean Shores Golf Course

Ocean Shores Golf Course is a challenging, yet fun-to-play course. Par for the course is 71. Don't be fooled by the modest 6,252 yardage of Ocean Shores Golf Course since the heavy ocean air, and moderate trade winds make it play much longer. The front nine is a link-style layout, with a few canals to navigate, while the back nine offers tree-lined fairways. The course terrain is flat.

Lake Limerick Golf Club

Lake Limerick Golf Club & Café on the Olympic Peninsula, just outside of Shelton, is a challenging 9-hole par 36 course with multiple tees giving it the

play of an 18-hole course.

They were recently awarded a People's Choice Award recognizing the course's quality and staff.

The fairways are lined by tall native fir trees giving you plenty of different shots around the course. The tight fairways will keep you focused testing your skills. The medium sized greens are well manicured and will test your putting skills, so bring your short game when you play here.

The course is part of a Homeowners Association with setback homes and recreational lots. Memberships are available and the public is welcome daily.

The Pro Shop is well stocked and the Café is open for breakfast and lunch Thursday thru Sunday. For reservations call (360) 426-6290 or visit www.lakelimerickgolf.com.

Alderbrook Golf Club

Alderbrook Golf Club is a member-owned course in a golf centric community and is open to public play. It is a classic Northwest forested setting high above Hood Canal in Union, Washington. The most talked about hole is the 8th (Often called the 'S' hole), a double dog leg par 5 that stretches to 536 yards and was once picked by *Golf Digest* as one of the Northwest's toughest holes.

A new modern clubhouse with a restaurant, banquet room and pro shop opened in 2009 providing the final piece to the up-scale facility.

Grays Harbor Country Club

Located in Aberdeen is a nine-hole layout and is one of the oldest clubs in the Northwest having opened for play in 1912. The amenities include a beautiful private nine-hole golf course with a driving range and practice putting green, seasonal outdoor swimming pool, pro shop, and a spacious clubhouse. Brian Davis is the head professional, he was formerly at Bay Shore Golf Course, which is now closed. With tall trees and other challenges, this is a solid test of golf that you will find in Aberdeen.



Grays Harbor Country Club located in Aberdeen is a challenging nine-hole course.



Port Townsend Golf Course is a terrific choice when visiting the Olympic Peninsula.



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Shuksan Golf Club

With the Shuksan Golf Club in Bellingham, the theme is nature. There are wetlands throughout the golf course and the first bit of water trouble comes into play on the very first hole.

Elevated tees and greens are prominent throughout the layout as the course varies over 100 feet in elevation. Ten Mile Creek meanders throughout the layout and cuts across many of the fairways to keep golfers on guard.

Shuksan Golf Club added length to the original layout and stretched it beyond 7,000 yards from the back tees. And as a result the ratings from the white tees went from 121 to 131. Newly re-designed bunkers, water features and more have added to the course. *Golf Digest* has always rated this outstanding with course four stars since opening in 1991 and the course keeps that rating year after year.

A new 250-seat outdoor terrace has opened for golf events, wedding receptions and more. The new Clubhouse Grille is also a hit with golfers.

North Bellingham Golf Course

North Bellingham Golf Course opened in 1995 and is a Scottish style links golf course. The openness leaves one exposed to the elements and one's game at the mercy of the wind at times.

The greens are firm and fast, making a balky putter something to leave at home. The well-manicured greens roll true and put a premium on good putting.

The layout offers 12 ponds, making 14 of the holes play with a water hazard and 58 white-sand bunkers. In fact, a two-year bunker project with new sand in all the bunkers throughout the course was completed in 2014. North Bellingham also has plenty of holes which grab your attention early and keep it the rest of the round.

Loomis Trail Golf Club

Loomis Trail was ranked as the No. 1 public course in Washington by *Golf Digest* (2005) and was the only Washington state course ranked in the nation's Top 100. Loomis Trail combines the magic of scenic beauty and dry conditions suitable for year-round play.

The course recently was purchased by the Lummi Nation Indian Tribe and they have made sure the course has stayed true to its opening with great conditions and a layout which is one of the most challenging in the Northwest.

Loomis Trail also is partnered with the Silver Reef Casino Resort and has packages catered to the golfing crowd. A Stay and Play Package, Birdie Package and Eagle Package all offers golf, hotel stay and more.

The Eagle Package comes with two nights, \$10



Loomis Trail in Blaine is owned by the Lummi Nation Tribe and partners with the Silver Reef.

free play, \$100 resort or pro shop credit, breakfast for two and unlimited golf.

Semiahmoo Golf & Country Club

The 18-hole private club located in Blaine, offers an award-winning golf course that is a top ranked course and extremely challenging.

Tree-lined Semiahmoo, ranked the No. 3 public course by *Golf Digest* (2005), it has five holes with water and can stretch to 7,005 yards from the tips.

Some great golf and a restful stay at the resort are sure to be a winning combination. The private course is open to members and resort guests.

Semiahmoo features a tough one-two punch with hazard-filled holes Nos. 11 and 12. Water lines the right side of the fairway at the 371-yard par-4 11th hole and flanks the green, making both the tee shot and approach tough on even the most

skilled golfers. No. 12 is a 173-yard par-3 requires a tee shot over water. There is bailout room left to avoid water, but miss it right and you and your shot are in big trouble. Semiahmoo Golf & Country Club is also home to the Jeff Coston Golf Academy.

Homestead Golf Club

Homestead Golf Club is located on the outskirts on Lynden on what was once dairy land. The course plays to 6,927 yards with a slope of 140 from the back tees. The fairways are generous but water comes into play on many holes but because the course is very flat it is often not visible from the tees or fairways so to prevent any surprises, refer to the yardage book for safety. The course is well bunkered so golfers must be careful and again, use the yardage book. Reviews of the course repeatedly refer to the great service by the staff.

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An aerial photograph of Chambers Bay Golf Club at sunset. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the water and the golf course. The course is visible with its green fairways and sand traps. The water in the foreground is dark and reflects the light from the sun.

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Bellingham: Plenty of options

The signature hole is the par-5 525-yard finishing hole with an island green (the only one in the state) that offers gutsy long hitters the opportunity to go for the green in two, but the shot requires a precision shot to carry the water and to hit the island green. If you stay dry a birdie is a possibility, but par is still a good score on this beautiful hole. *Golf Digest* once ranked the hole's green as one of the nation's top island greens.

Sudden Valley Golf Club

Sudden Valley Golf Club is known for its two distinctly different nines. The front nine, which winds past the southern shores of Lake Whatcom, is relatively flat and open. The back nine, which feels carved from a forest, wanders through the trees and offers some narrow fairways and variation in elevation. The Bellingham course, designed by Ted Robinson and ranked a four-star offering by *Golf Digest*, has improved drainage on all 18.

Avalon Golf Club

The kingdom of Avalon, home of All-Day golf – Avalon Golf Links of Burlington is the only 27-hole facility in the area and well worth the 50-minute drive from the Seattle area. Three separate nines make up the 27 holes and are simply named the South, West and North Courses.

The name Avalon means an island represented as an earthly paradise in the western seas to which King Arthur and other heroes were carried at death, is a golfing paradise just off Interstate 5.

The Robert Muir Graves-designed course is a bargain all the way. Avalon offers an all-day promotion seven days a week, 365 days a year (rates vary depending on the day of the week).

Camaloch Golf Course

Located on Camano Island, Camaloch Golf Course has not only an 18-hole championship course but also a par-3 course to offer during the winter months.

Camaloch Golf Course is located in the Puget Sound's Sun Belt and receives about one-half of the annual rainfall of nearby courses, keeping it dry year-round. The course is located just 15 minutes

off of Interstate-5, giving it easy access for those looking for a round right off the freeway. The course plays to 6,234 yards from the back tees but offers reasonable distances for all levels of players. If you like fast and true greens, then you will love Camaloch's greens which are frequently rolled and mowed and are known as some of the best to be found anywhere. The course also features a new bar and grill called Rockaway.

Holmes Harbor

Holmes Harbor is rated one of the top executive golf courses in Washington State, the 18-hole course is playable in just over three hours. The Par 64 course measures 4,279 yards, providing panoramic vistas throughout the course. The course is located on Whidbey Island.

With a defined cut of rough bordering the fairways and undulating greens, the signature hole is #8, a 160-yard, Par 3, with a 100-foot drop in elevation from tee to green.

Owner/operator Paul Lavin has revamped the course over the last five years after being closed and abandoned multiple times. Multiple water hazards, sand and pot bunkers along with the narrow and wide fairways make Holmes Harbor a solid test.

Whidbey Golf Club

Set in the midst of a quiet, lake and tree-lined glen of Oak Harbor you'll find the natural beauty and unique character of one of Whidbey Island's best kept secrets. Welcome, to Whidbey Golf Club, established over 50 years ago. Whidbey Golf Club is a semi private, family oriented club.

With its natural beauty, thrilling year-round play, and first-class dining facilities make WGC a natural choice for any occasion. Whether enjoying a round of golf, celebrating a wedding, or meeting for business, Whidbey Golf Club delivers an affordable quality that simply can't be beat. Oak Harbor sits in the rain shadow of the Olympic

Mountains resulting in an average annual rainfall 50% less rainfall than most of the Puget Sound area.



The 18-hole Camaloch Golf Course on Camano Island sits in what's called the Sunshine Belt.

Lake Padden Golf Course

If you are looking for some of the best in public friendly golf, then look no further than Lake Padden, located just south of Bellingham.

The course winds through second-generation old growth forest with trees reaching up to 150 feet tall. The golfing experience here is truly a walk in the park. The golf course measures to 6,575 yards but tends to play 5-10% larger than the actual number.

San Juans Islands

A trio of nine-hole courses including Orcas Island Golf Club, Lopez Island Golf Club and San Juan Golf & Country Club provide quality golf to vacationers in the San Juan Islands. Orcas Island is the oldest of the three courses, as it was designed and built in 1960. It's a popular destination in summer and was recently purchased by a young local family, the Taylor Family.

Swinomish Golf Links

Swinomish Golf Links is 18 holes nestled between Fidalgo Bay and Similk Bay with Mount Baker as a backdrop. The Swinomish Tribe got into the golf business by purchasing Similk Beach Golf Course and turning it into their own Swinomish Golf Links.

The course is part of the Swinomish Casino and Lodge, a place with water views, RV parking, restaurants, gambling and more. The golf course is also a good test and the tribe has put money back into the course to give a new look and some solid conditioning.

Gleneagle Golf Course

Located in Arlington, Gleneagle Golf Course was developed and opened in 1993. Playing just 5,949 yards from our championship tees, Gleneagle will test your shot-making skills while providing a relaxing, picturesque backdrop. With four sets of tees to choose from, our course is a pleasure for golfers of any skill level to play. Test your accuracy with the water hazards and sand traps. The greens at Gleneagle have long been considered top rate.

Gallery Golf Course

This is a Navy-owned golf course in Oak Harbor on Whidbey Island. The thing that gets your attention right away are the views. From just about every point on the course, there are views of the Puget Sound, Strait of Juan de Fuca and the mountains. On the course, there is also plenty to like. The back nine has some holes surrounded by trees but most of the holes around the course are open.

Golfweek Amateur Tour hits the NW Washington area with events

The Seattle area Golfweek Amateur Tour will hit the lower part of Northwest Washington with some terrific events.

The tour, which kicked off in March, will hit Trophy Lake Golf and Casting in Port Orchard, Salish Cliffs in Shelton and McCormick Woods in Port Orchard this spring and summer with a trifecta of events to choose from.

The event at Trophy Lake Golf and Casting is set for May 15, the tournament at Salish Cliffs will be held June 26 and the event at McCormick Woods is set for Aug. 7.

Entry fees vary for each event but the entry fee includes green fees, cart, range balls and a prize pool. There are five flights in each event that players will take part in.

The Golfweek Amateur Tour is in its 27th season and has over 6,000 golfing members across the country.

For more information on the tour and how to sign up contact Derek Hart at 360.338.1603 or email at seattle@amateurgolftour.net.



McCormick Woods in Port Orchard (above) and Salish Cliffs (top) in Shelton will be host courses.

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Kitsap Peninsula Tour



The Kitsap Peninsula is loaded with plenty of courses to tee it up including some with more than just 18 holes

Washington's Kitsap Peninsula is more than just a tourist attraction with its outdoor activities and shoreline - there are also all of the ingredients to make up some of the top public golf courses in the state. Here's a look at where to play:

- **McCormick Woods** has been ranked among the top courses for years since opening in 1986. The course is a treat with 18 holes wrapped among the tall firs and cedars. A spacious 24,000 square foot clubhouse offers views of the golf course and events up to 300 people.
- **LakeLand Village** in Allyn offers 27-holes of golf with three distinctly different nines in Generation I, Generation II and Generation III. The popular residential community dates back to 1972 with each nine added as new housing sections opened up. Each course has elevation changes, tall tree-lined fairways and well manicured greens.
- **Gig Harbor Golf Club** is gem on the way north to the Olympic Peninsula in Gig Harbor. The nine-hole private course offers some terrific rates to join and new changes include a re-do of both the sixth and seventh greens. Drainage improvements throughout the course have aired things out and membership is up as a result of all the positive changes. Recent driving renovations include adding 40 yards to the range and more grass tees. The range is the home of the Troy Kelly Golf School. Kelly is a Northwest native who played on the PGA Tour.
- **Madrona Links**, after crossing the Tacoma Narrows Bridge, you will find Madrona Links, a challenging layout that is popular with locals for it's variety of holes and its restaurant. The course is a good choice if you haven't played there before. There is enough sand and water to keep your interest through the 18 holes.
- **Gold Mountain** has a pair of courses, including its award-winning Olympic Course. The older of the two courses is the Cascade Course that is always popular with it's unique layout that incorporates elevation changes and tree-lined fairways. The Olympic Course has hosted some of the top amateur events in the NW. It offers a modern design that will challenge you.
- **Trophy Lake Golf and Casting** offers true Northwest-style course with tree-lined fairways, elevation changes and enough water and sand to test all golfers abilities.
- **White Horse Golf Club** in Kingston was a hit the day it opened. Tight fairways over rolling terrain with enough elevation changes over native vegetation to test your game to the fullest. The modern clubhouse with a popular restaurant is a great place to hang out after your round
- **Horseshoe Lake** in Port Orchard offers two completely different looking nines. You will want to take a cart for the back nine. Other courses that are worth taking a look at including places like Rolling Hills in Bremerton and Village Greens in Port Orchard.



Gold Mountain with 36-holes is one of the top facilities in the state (above); Madrona Golf Links (top) offers golf just across the Narrows Bridge.



LakeLand Village in Allyn has plenty of golf to test your game with 27 holes - all completely distinctivte nine holes with terrific conditions.

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