



**HALF MOON BAY**  
GOLF LINKS

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## ABOUT HALF MOON BAY GOLF LINKS

Set against dramatic cliffs overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Half Moon Bay Golf Links features **36 holes of championship golf** as well as clubhouse facilities, a top-quality Golf Shop and a gourmet, ocean-view bar and restaurant.

For more than 40 years, avid golfers have been returning to this incomparable setting, enjoying the variety of play offered by our two award winning courses: the classic American parkland-styled **Old Course** and Scottish-Links-styled **Ocean Course**.

Over the years, many prestigious honors have been bestowed upon these spectacular courses, including these recent accolades:

**“Top 11 Golf Resorts in the Country”** – Forbes

**“#18 Best Golf Resorts in North America”** – Golf Digest

**“Four Stars: A San Francisco Treat”** – Golf Digest

**“Gold Medal Winner/Premier Resorts”** – Golf Magazine

**”One of the “World’s Best Golf Resorts -Readers Survey”** -Travel + Leisure

**“Platinum List”** – Celebrated Living

**“No. 2 Resort in Northern California”** – ACES

**“One of the 18 Great Country Clubs for a Day”** – Bloomberg/Businessweek

**“Top 25 Public Golf Courses in California”** – Golf Advisor

**“Best Playing Conditions”** – Greenskeeper.org



Half Moon Bay Golf Links hosted the 2008 LPGA Samsung World Championship Tournament, the women’s U.S. Open Qualifier (2006, 2008, and 2012), as well as the men’s U.S. Open Qualifier (2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013).

The golf courses are managed by D&D Properties. For more information about D&D, please visit [www.dnd-properties.com/](http://www.dnd-properties.com/)



**“IT’S HARD TO BELIEVE  
THESE COURSES ARE  
30 MINUTES FROM SAN  
FRANCISCO AND SAN JOSE.  
WHAT AN ESCAPE!”**

— YELP REVIEWER







**Hole 18 / Old Course.** This is one of Arnold Palmer's most celebrated holes.

## OLD COURSE OVERVIEW

Designed by legendary golf course architects **Arnold Palmer and Francis Duane**, The Old Course **opened for play in October 1973**. Among those who have been challenged by the course include sports icons Joe DiMaggio, Jerry Rice and Steph Curry, PGA Tour players Padraig Harrington, Mark O'Meara and Fred Couples, LPGA Tour players Paula Creamer, Michelle Wie, Lydia Ko and Lorena Ochoa and celebrity Bob Hope.

Since its inception, The Old Course has garnered high praise from avid golfers and media, including Golf Digest, Golfweek, Golf World, GOLF Magazine, Cigar Aficionado, and Hemispheres.

**The breathtaking par-4 concluding hole on this course has repeatedly been ranked among the best in golf for its challenge and unmatched scenery.**

Fairways and greens on The Old Course are lined with several species of trees, including Monterey Cypress, Monterey Pines, and New Zealand Christmas. Playing **7,003 yards from the back tees**, the course is defined by sharp doglegged fairways and greens protected by deep bunkering, water and barrancas.

Water comes into play on nine holes, including seven after the turn. The most dramatic instance is on the 18th hole, which was voted by the readers of Golf Digest as **one of the best finishing holes in the country**. The Pacific Ocean frames the entire western length of the hole with reoccurring sound of powerful waves crashing against the cliffs. Heading down the 18th fairway, the final approach shot must carry a jagged creek into the green nestled closely to The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay. This is the golfers chance to shine as there is often a large crowd on the ocean view patio watching the players come in.







# OLD COURSE FACT SHEET

**Description:** The Arnold Palmer-designed Old Course exemplifies the traditional American Parklands-style course and the fairways are flanked by several species of evergreen trees as well as the perimeter of the generous, yet challenging greens. The final hole is spectacular from tee to green as it parallels the Pacific Ocean bluffs and concludes in front of The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay.

**Opening Date:** October 1973

**Designers:** Arnold Palmer and Francis Duane

**Golf Shop:** Top brands of apparel and equipment include Travis Matthew, Lululemon, Fairway & Greene, Carnoustie, Cutter & Buck, Puma, Adidas, Peter Millar, Ahead, Greg Norman, Straight Down, Gear, Jamie Sadock, Antigua, Zero Restriction, J. Lindberg, Sun Mountain, Callaway, Ping, TaylorMade and Titleist. Rentals include Adidas shoes as well as TaylorMade clubs.

**General Manager:** Oliver Javier

**Golf Professional:** Darren Wall

**Superintendent:** Nicholas Schilperoort

**Par:** 36–36–72

**Turf:** Poa Annua

Tees	Yardage	Rating	Slope
Black	7,001	74.3	135
Blue	6,610	72.9	131
White	6,323	71.5	128
Gold	6,021	70.0	124
Red	5,501	73.1	125

**Signature Hole:**

**The 18th:** this finisher has been ranked among the top 100 holes in America and is also of the most photographed holes in the world. The Pacific pounds up against the rocky cliff that spans the entire right side, while The Ritz-Carlton, Half Moon Bay’s position left of the green adds even more splendor to the setting.

**Amenities:** Fully-stocked golf shop with apparel and equipment, snack bar, full bar and grill restaurant within the clubhouse, private and group lessons, outings, event director, hospitality (beverage & snack) carts servicing the course.

**Cart Policy:** Carts are required.







OCEAN COURSE

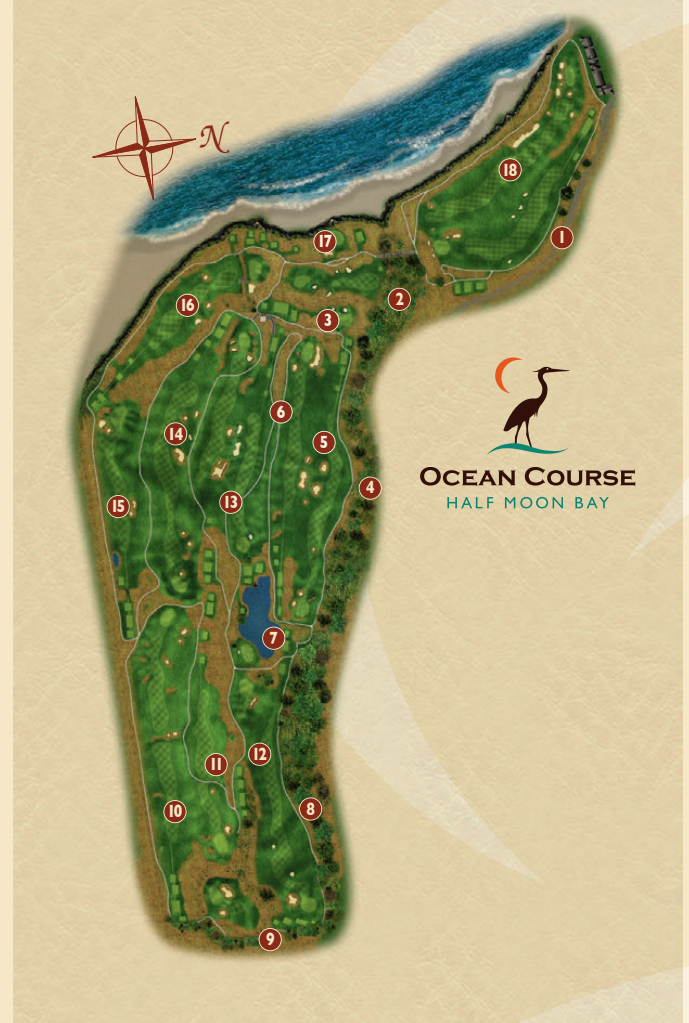
*The links style Ocean Course is in perfect contrast to the Parkland Old Course*

## OCEAN COURSE OVERVIEW

**Unveiled in the fall of 1997**, the Ocean Course was soon met with critical acclaim, including its Golf Digest's "Top Ten Best New Upscale Public Courses" and Travel + Leisure Golf's "Top Ten Best Resort Courses". Renowned golf course architect Arthur Hills designed this spectacular course to pay homage to the traditional Scottish-links layout. Absent of any roadways or a residence within the area of play, the Ocean Course provides golfers with a uniquely challenging environment while rewarding them with breathtaking Pacific Ocean views from all 18 holes.

**In August of 2009, the Ocean Course underwent a "Links Enhancement" transition**, providing an agronomic improvement to a fast, firm playing surface that emphasizes shot value and shot-making over sheer length and power. The first phases of the project included mowing rough down around bunkers to bring the hazards back into play on tee shots; cutting green complexes and surrounds to "just above green" mowing height to foster ball movement on the ground; and raising native fescue heights around tee boxes and between holes to provide golfers with visual, strategic cues about how to play holes and to enhance the links-style atmosphere. The final phase included the addition of five new tee areas to create additional angles and strategic considerations, enhancing the overall playing experience and adding to its integrity as a true links-style environment.

Most of the Ocean Course's difficulty comes in the form of playing into the prevailing coastal breezes, as well as fairways with rolling terrain with numerous elevation changes all flanked by rustic native grasses, in addition to old-style bunkers guarding the greens. Although water (aside from the Pacific) is found only on the par-3 seventh, both sand and grass bunkering are prevalent on each hole.







# OCEAN COURSE FACT SHEET

**Description:** Award-winning golf architect Arthur Hills has used his immense design talent to create an ocean front course reminiscent of a true Scottish-links layout. This course offers picturesque ocean views and challenging golf in an ideal setting.

**Opening Date:** September 1997

**Designer:** Arthur Hills

**Golf Shop:** Top brands of apparel and equipment include Travis Matthew, Lululemon, Fairway & Greene, Carnoustie, Cutter & Buck, Puma, Adidas, Peter Millar, Ahead, Greg Norman, Straight Down, Gear, Jamie Sadock, Antigua, Zero Restriction, J. Lindberg, Sun Mountain, Callaway, Ping, TaylorMade and Titleist. Rentals include Adidas shoes as well as TaylorMade clubs.

**General Manager:** Oliver Javier

**Golf Professional:** Darren Wall

**Superintendent:** Nicholas Schilperoort

**Par:** 35-37-72 (34-37-71 from Forward tees)

**Turf:** Poa Annua

**Signature Hole:** No. 17 (Par 3, 186 yards). This hole hangs on the edge of a cliff with crashing waves of the Pacific Ocean below.

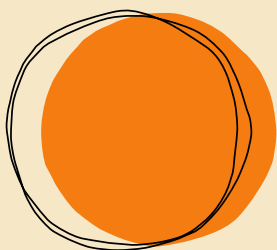
Tees	Yardage	Rating	Slope
Black	6,854	72.5	132
Blue	6,470	70.8	127
White	6,052	69.1	123
Gold	5,461	66.1	117
Red	4,872	68.2	117

**Amenities:** Fully-stocked golf shop with apparel and equipment, snack bar, full bar and restaurant within the clubhouse, private and group lessons, outings, event director, hospitality (beverage & snack) carts servicing the course.

**Cart Policy:** Walking is permitted, pull carts are allowed. Green fees include cart.







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STEAKHOUSE

## MULLINS STEAKHOUSE

**Mullins Steakhouse**, located inside the clubhouse at Half Moon Bay Golf Links, offers both casual dining in the bar and patio as well as fine-dining within the ocean-view Main Dining Room. The bar menu consists of après-golf favorites including hearty sandwiches, salads, and soups as well as an outstanding full bar. The dining room menu expands on the bar menu by also including fresh seafood and steak entrée specials.

All of the ingredients are vibrant, fresh, and reflect the finest seasonal and artisanal ingredients from the fertile valleys, ranches, orchards, and ocean waters surrounding Half Moon Bay. Select wines from Napa and Sonoma dominate the wine list.

The bar and main dining room are available for private events.

**Executive Chef:** Roberto Rodriguez

