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QSE Palmetto Sound Course Guide

Low-country golf: flat, tree-lined and calm, with water in play on sixteen holes. Carry it or lay up; there is no third way.

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Par 72 **Holes** 18 **Club tees** 6,985 yd **Forward tees** 5,872 yd **Back tees** 7,344 yd



Blue is water and it is in play: every drop zone is authored short of the hazard, on the fairway side.

Scorecard

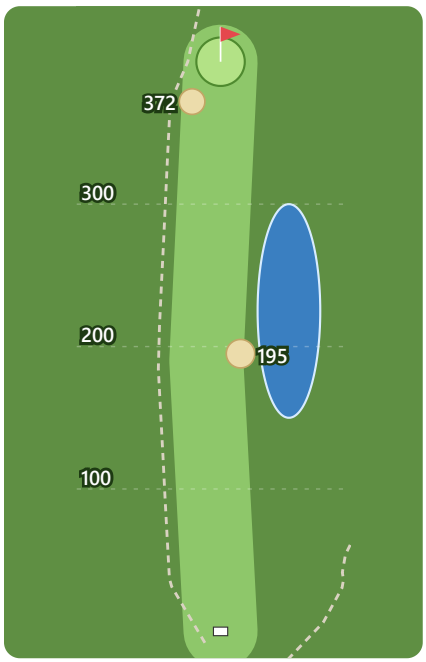
Hole	Name	Par	Forward	Club	Back
1	Marsh Gate	4	337	401	420
2	Oyster Bed	3	139	165	185
3	Egret Walk	4	366	436	456
4	Sound Side	5	461	548	568
5	Live Oak	4	384	457	477
6	Short Crossing	4	269	320	340
7	Tidal Pool	3	172	205	225
8	Spartina	5	441	524	544
9	Back Creek	4	345	411	431
Out		**36**	**2,914**	**3,467**	**3,646**
10	Boathouse	4	358	426	446
11	The Carry	3	151	180	200
12	Palmetto Row	4	371	441	461
13	High Ground	5	474	564	584
14	Blue Crab	4	346	412	432
15	Little Inlet	4	281	335	355
16	Long Marsh	5	445	528	548
17	Sunset Flat	3	160	190	210
18	Sound Home	4	372	442	462
In		**36**	**2,958**	**3,518**	**3,698**

Hole	Name	Par	Forward	Club	Back
Total		72	5,872	6,985	7,344

Hole by hole

Distances on each hole card are measured from the Club tees along the line to the pin. Each hole has its own wind for the round, described as you stand on the tee (the arrow points the way it blows; the Daily Three sets one wind of its own). Green speed is on the stimpmeter: higher is faster.

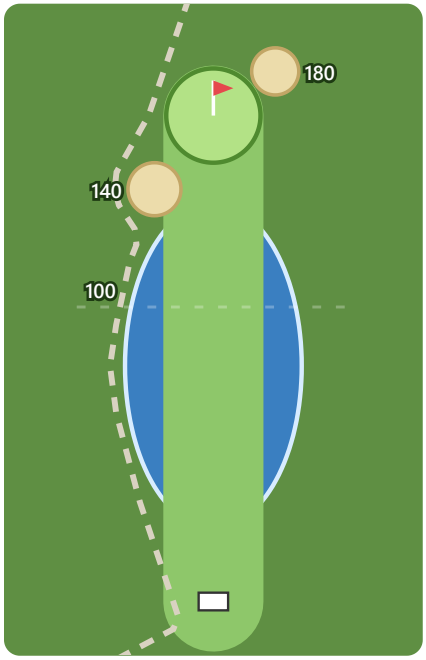
Hole 1 · Marsh Gate



Par	4
Yards	401 Club · 337 Forward · 420 Back
Wind	↖ 5 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.0% from front to back, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 195 yd right · bunker 372 yd left (greenside) · water right from 150 to 300 yd

A gentle start along the marsh. Water runs down the right side of the landing area; the left half of the fairway is dry and leaves a short iron in.

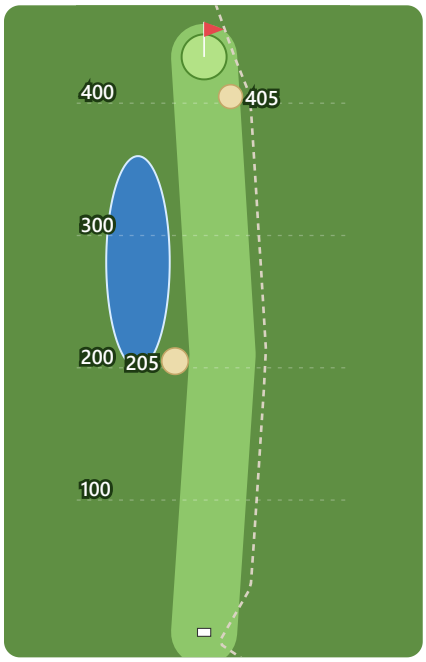
Hole 2 · Oyster Bed



Par	3
Yards	165 Club · 139 Forward · 185 Back
Wind	↖ 5 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 32 yards across, slopes 1.4% from right to left, speed 10.8
Hazards	Bunker 140 yd left (greenside) · bunker 180 yd right (greenside) · water across the line from 25 to 135 yd

The first carry of the day. Nothing but water from the tee to the front of the green; take the club that gets there and swing it.

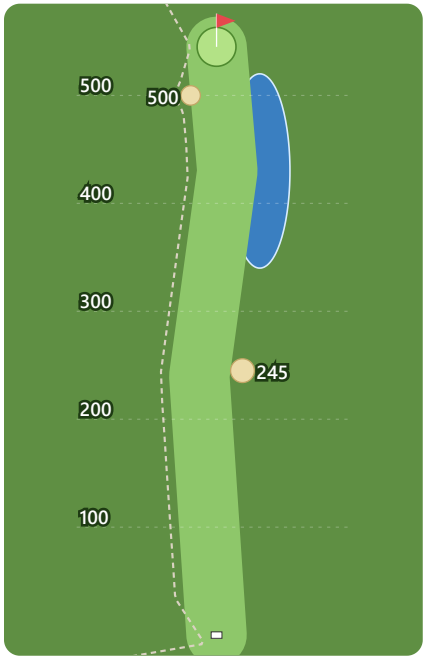
Hole 3 · Egret Walk



Par	4
Yards	436 Club · 366 Forward · 456 Back
Wind	↖ 6 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.1% from back-left to front-right, speed 10.6
Hazards	Bunker 205 yd left · bunker 405 yd right · water left from 200 to 360 yd

A long par four with water left of the second-shot landing area. Favor the right side from the tee; the green is open at the front.

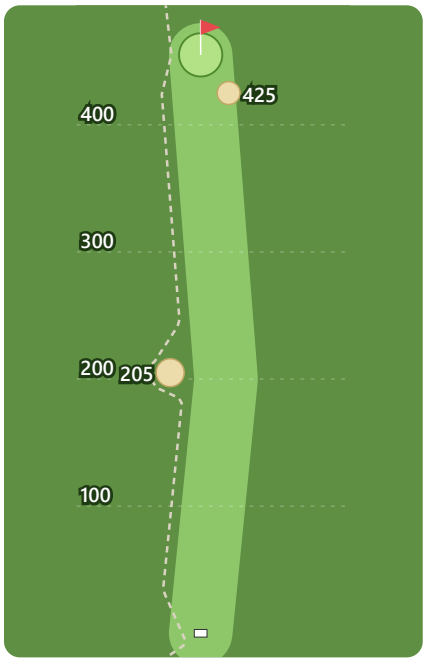
Hole 4 · Sound Side



Par	5
Yards	548 Club · 461 Forward · 568 Back
Wind	↖ 6 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 36 yards across, slopes 0.9% from back-right to front-left, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 245 yd right · bunker 500 yd left · water right from 340 to 520 yd

The sound runs along the right from the second shot to the green. Reachable in two only along the water; the lay-up to 180 stays well left.

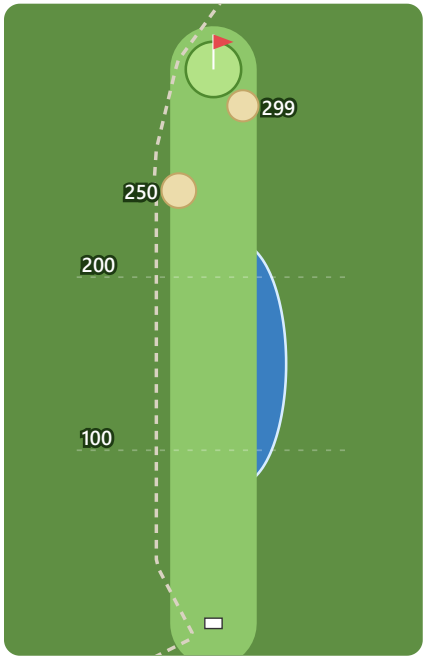
Hole 5 · Live Oak



Par	4
Yards	457 Club · 384 Forward · 477 Back
Wind	↖ 7 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.3% from front-right to back-left, speed 10.6
Hazards	Bunker 205 yd left · bunker 425 yd right

The one dry hole on the front nine, and the longest. A right-to-left bend between the oaks; two solid shots are needed to reach the green.

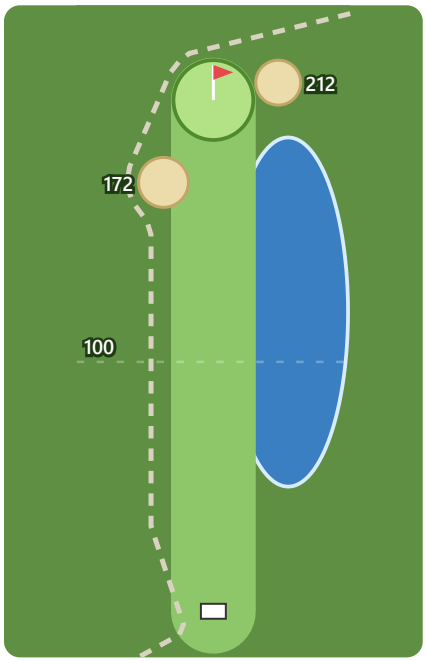
Hole 6 · Short Crossing



Par	4
Yards	320 Club · 269 Forward · 340 Back
Wind	↖ 7 mph behind you (helping)
Green	about 32 yards across, slopes 1.6% from front-left to back-right, speed 10.9
Hazards	Bunker 250 yd left · bunker 299 yd right (greenside) · water across the line from 80 to 220 yd

The drivable par four. A full carry over the lagoon reaches the green; the lay-up threads the dry strip down the left edge and leaves a wedge.

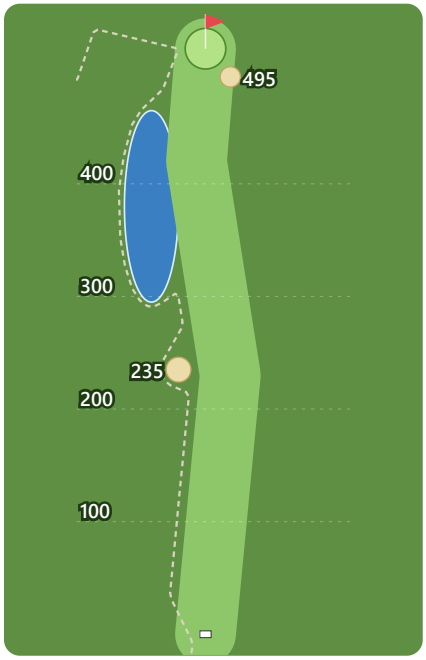
Hole 7 · Tidal Pool



Par	3
Yards	205 Club · 172 Forward · 225 Back
Wind	↖ 6 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 32 yards across, slopes 1.5% from right to left, speed 10.8
Hazards	Bunker 172 yd left · bunker 212 yd right (greenside) · water right from 50 to 190 yd

A long one-shotter with the pool short and right. The left half of the green is the safe target; long and left is a straightforward chip.

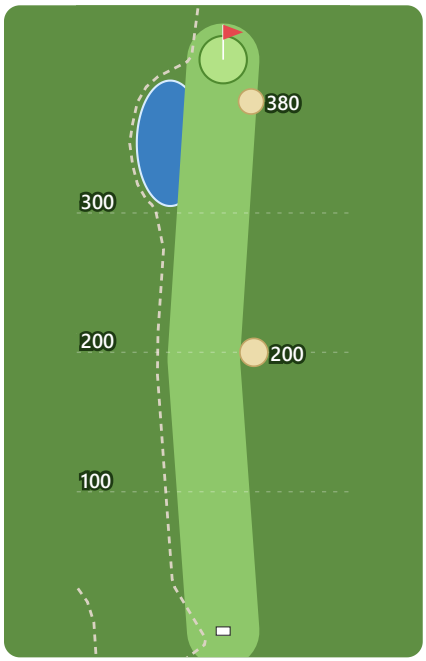
Hole 8 · Spartina



Par	5
Yards	524 Club · 441 Forward · 544 Back
Wind	↖ 8 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 36 yards across, slopes 1.0% from back to front, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 235 yd left · bunker 495 yd right (greenside) · water left from 295 to 465 yd

A three-shot par five through the spartina. The second shot plays along water on the left; the third is a short iron to a green that slopes toward it.

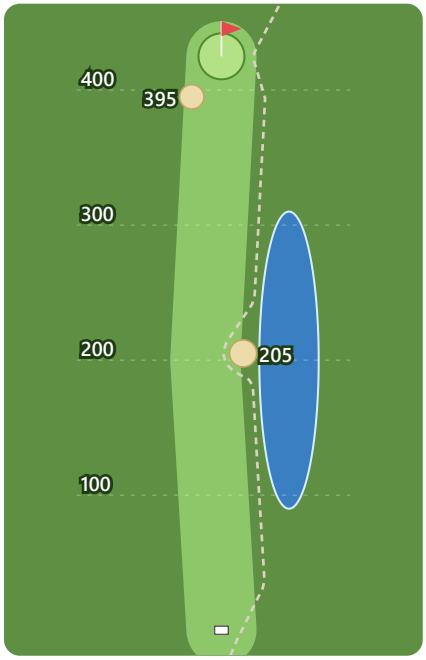
Hole 9 · Back Creek



Par	4
Yards	411 Club · 345 Forward · 431 Back
Wind	↖ 8 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.2% from front-left to back-right, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 200 yd right · bunker 380 yd right · water left from 305 to 395 yd

Back toward the clubhouse. The creek guards the front-left of the green, so the approach must carry all the way; miss right, never left.

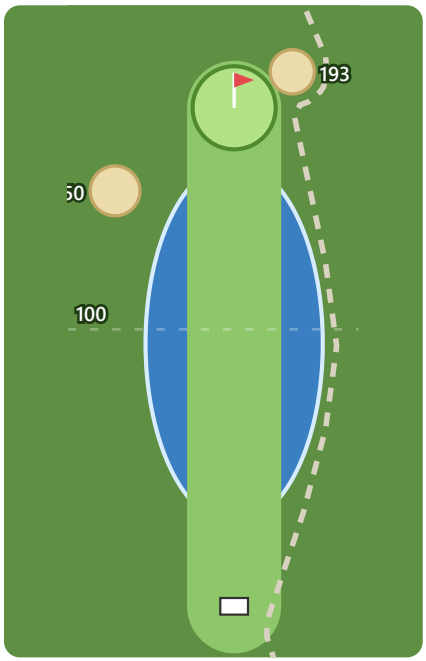
Hole 10 · Boathouse



Par	4
Yards	426 Club · 358 Forward · 446 Back
Wind	↖ 5 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.1% from back to front, speed 10.6
Hazards	Bunker 205 yd right · bunker 395 yd left · water right from 90 to 310 yd

The inward nine opens past the boathouse. Water lines the whole right side of the tee shot; the fairway is wide enough if you aim left-centre.

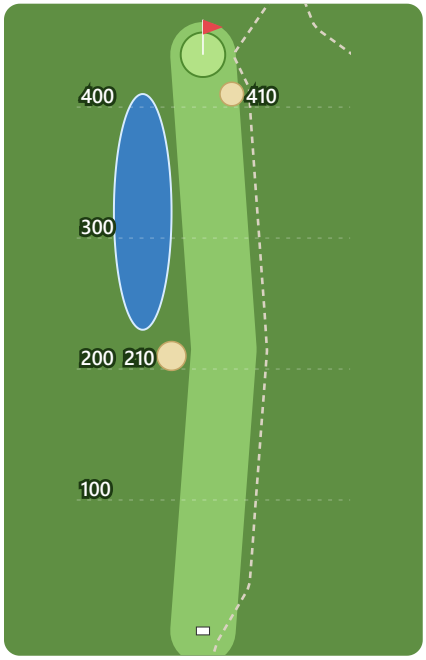
Hole 11 · The Carry



Par	3
Yards	180 Club · 151 Forward · 200 Back
Wind	↖ 6 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 30 yards across, slopes 1.7% from left to right, speed 11.0
Hazards	Bunker 150 yd left · bunker 193 yd right (greenside) · water across the line from 30 to 160 yd

All carry. The smallest green on the course sits across the inlet; the only miss that stays dry is long.

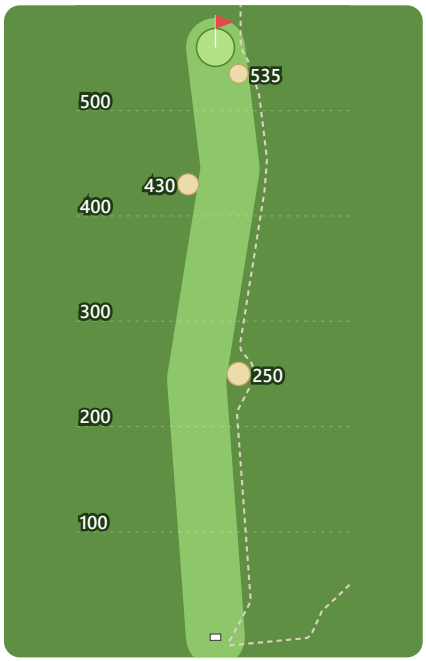
Hole 12 · Palmetto Row



Par	4
Yards	441 Club · 371 Forward · 461 Back
Wind	↖ 7 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.2% from right to left, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 210 yd left · bunker 410 yd right · water left from 230 to 410 yd

Palmettos down both sides and water left of the approach. A drive up the right half takes the water out of the second shot.

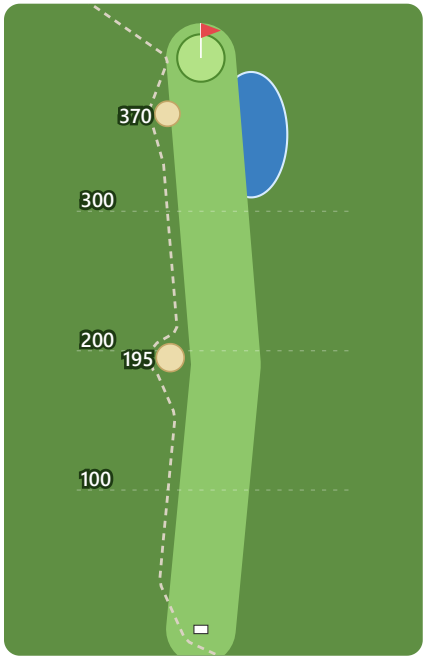
Hole 13 · High Ground



Par	5
Yards	564 Club · 474 Forward · 584 Back
Wind	↖ 8 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 36 yards across, slopes 0.9% from back-right to front-left, speed 10.6
Hazards	Bunker 250 yd right · bunker 430 yd left · bunker 535 yd right (greenside)

The one dry hole on the back nine, and the longest on the course. Three shots for almost everyone; the bunkers mark the lay-up distances.

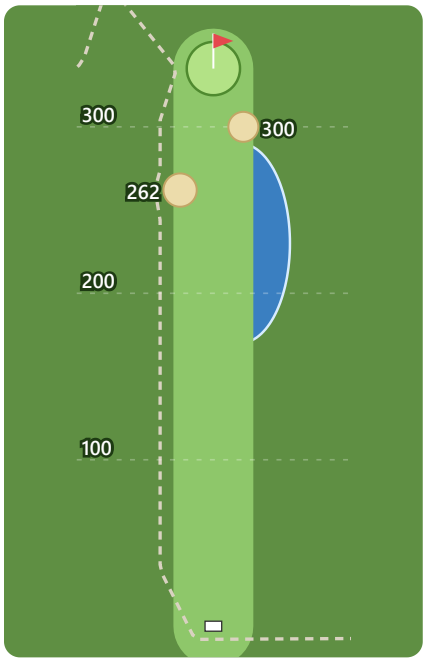
Hole 14 · Blue Crab



Par	4
Yards	412 Club · 346 Forward · 432 Back
Wind	↖ 8 mph behind you (helping)
Green	about 34 yards across, slopes 1.4% from front-left to back-right, speed 10.8
Hazards	Bunker 195 yd left · bunker 370 yd left · water right from 310 to 400 yd

A dogleg right to a green with water front-right. The approach wants the left half; anything drifting right finds the pond.

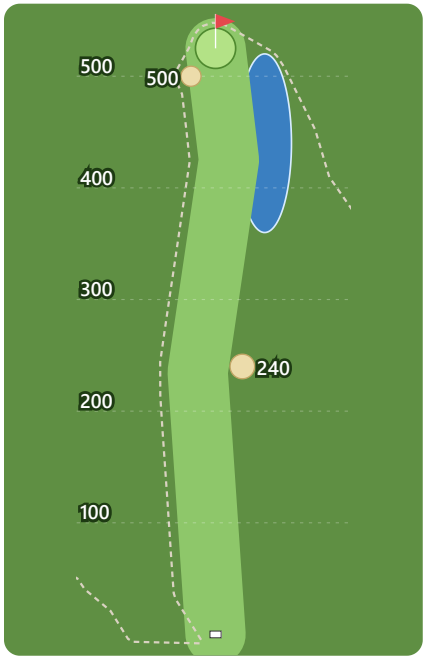
Hole 15 · Little Inlet



Par	4
Yards	335 Club · 281 Forward · 355 Back
Wind	↖ 9 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 32 yards across, slopes 1.6% from front-right to back-left, speed 10.9
Hazards	Bunker 262 yd left · bunker 300 yd right · water across the line from 170 to 290 yd

A short par four across the inlet. The lay-up stops at 160; the driver must carry the water or thread the dry strip on the left.

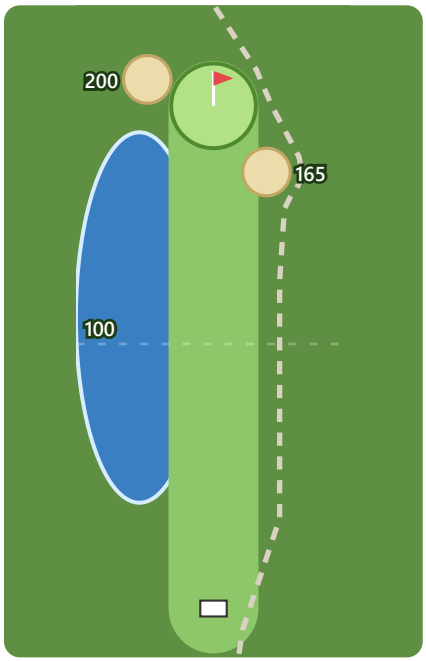
Hole 16 · Long Marsh



Par	5
Yards	528 Club · 445 Forward · 548 Back
Wind	↖ 9 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 36 yards across, slopes 1.0% from back-right to front-left, speed 10.7
Hazards	Bunker 240 yd right · bunker 500 yd left (greenside) · water right from 360 to 520 yd

A reachable par five if the second shot is brave: the marsh sits right of the green. The safe lay-up is to 150, left-centre.

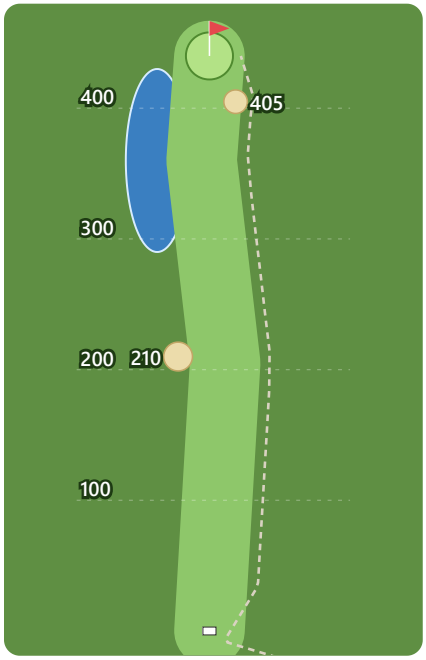
Hole 17 · Sunset Flat



Par	3
Yards	190 Club · 160 Forward · 210 Back
Wind	↖ 9 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 32 yards across, slopes 1.5% from right to left, speed 10.8
Hazards	Bunker 165 yd right (greenside) · bunker 200 yd left (greenside) · water left from 40 to 180 yd

The last par three plays over the corner of the flat. Water short and left; bail out to the right half of the green.

Hole 18 · Sound Home



Par	4
Yards	442 Club · 372 Forward · 462 Back
Wind	↖ 9 mph helping, from the right
Green	about 36 yards across, slopes 1.2% from back-right to front-left, speed 10.8
Hazards	Bunker 210 yd left · bunker 405 yd right · water left from 290 to 430 yd

The home hole runs along the sound to the clubhouse. Water left of the approach and front-left of the green; a drive up the right opens the angle.