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## [Where the Grass Is Greener: The Top 12 Golf Resorts in the United States](#)

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There was once a time when American golfing enthusiasts could count on one hand the number of exceptional resorts that catered to their whims. Today, there is no shortage of top-end destinations across the United States, each offering a vast array of courses and playing experiences.

Looking for something classic, something steeped in history? [Pinehurst](#), [Pebble Beach](#), and [The Broadmoor](#) (among others) will exceed your expectations. Ready for a [golf](#) trip injected with a sense of pioneering spirit? There's a property in the eastern frontier lands of Oregon with your name on it. Perhaps you want to test your mettle on some of Pete Dye's most challenging layouts? Getaways to Kiawah Island, [The American Club](#), and [Sea Pines Resort](#) have you covered.

Simply put, world-class golf resorts in the United States are now as plentiful as the dimples on a golf ball; and the dozen examples that follow are certain to deliver memorable—in some cases, one-of-a-kind—experiences.

**Pebble Beach**

**Pinehurst Resort**

**Sea Pines Resort**

**Sea Island Resort**

**Kiawah Island Golf Resort**

## Silvies Valley Ranch



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Normally, a resort's short course is a fairly benign affair. Not at [Silvies Valley Ranch](#), where on many of the holes of the McVeigh's Gauntlet course, architect Dan Hixson cleared out areas only for greens and tee boxes, leaving the rest of the site's sage brush undisturbed. The boutique resort, set on a 140,000-acre working cattle ranch, also features a reversible 18-hole championship course that boasts wide fairways and large, firm greens with plenty of contours. It's a combination of features that gives everyday amateurs a chance to post low scores, but they'll still need to hit mostly good shots to do it.

**The Greenbrier**

**Big Cedar Lodge**

**The American Club**

**Princeville Resort Kauai**

**The Broadmoor**

**La Quinta Resort & Club**

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