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TO GOLF COURSE LIVING
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*Pelican Hill Resort
Newport Beach, Calif.*



2012 GOLFWEEEK'S BEST

RESORT COURSES

- 1. PACIFIC DUNES > (P.2)**
Bandon, Ore., 2001
Tom Doak
Avg. rating: 9.21
- 2. OLD MACDONALD > (P.2)**
Bandon, Ore., 2010
Tom Doak, Jim Urbina
Avg. rating: 8.83
- 3. PEBBLE BEACH**
Pebble Beach, Calif., 1999
D. Grant, Jack Neville
Avg. rating: 8.83
- 4. WHISTLING STRAITS (STRAITS) > (P.42)**
Kohler, Wis., 1997
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 8.64
- 5. PINEHURST (NO. 2)**
Pinehurst, N.C., 1903-1946
Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 8.44
- 6. BANDON DUNES > (P.2)**
Bandon, Ore., 1999
David McLay Kidd
Avg. rating: 8.30
- 7. SHADOW CREEK**
North Las Vegas, Nev., 1990
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 8.06
- 8. SPYGLASS HILL**
Pebble Beach, Calif., 1966
Robert Trent Jones Sr.
Avg. rating: 7.86
- 9. OCEAN COURSE**
Kiawah Island, S.C., 1991
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 7.82
- 10. TPC SAWGRASS (PLAYERS STADIUM)**
Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 1981
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 7.78
- 11. BANDON TRAILS > (P.2)**
Bandon, Ore., 2005
Bill Coore, Ben Crenshaw
Avg. rating: 7.63
- 12. HARBOUR TOWN**
Hilton Head, S.C., 1970
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 7.40
- 13. FALLEN OAK > (P.44)**
Saucier, Miss., 2006
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 7.35
- 14. HOMESTEAD RESORT (CASCADES)**
Hot Springs, Va., 1923
William S. Flynn
Avg. rating: 7.30
- 15. BLACKWOLF RUN (RIVER) > (P.42)**
Kohler, Wis., 1988
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 7.29
- 16. SEA ISLAND (SEASIDE) > (P.88)**
St. Simons Island, Ga., 2000
Charles H. Alison, Harry S. Colt,
Tom Fazio, Joe Lee
Avg. rating: 7.24
- 17. KAPALUA GC (PLANTATION) > (P.70)**
Maui, Hawaii, 1991
Bill Coore, Ben Crenshaw
Avg. rating: 7.08
- 18. PINE NEEDLES**
Southern Pines, N.C., 1927
Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 7.04
- 19. WE-KO-PA GOLF CLUB (SAGUARO)**
Fountain Hills, Ariz., 2006
Bill Coore, Ben Crenshaw
Avg. rating: 6.93
- 20. PRINCEVILLE (PRINCE)**
Kauai, Hawaii, 1990
Robert Trent Jones Jr.
Avg. rating: 6.81
- 21. CALEDONIA > (P.48)**
Pawleys Island, S.C., 1994
Michael Strantz
Avg. rating: 6.81
- 22. THE PRAIRIE CLUB (DUNES) > (P.78)**
Valentine, Neb., 2010*
Tom Lehman
Avg. rating: 6.78
- 23. MAY RIVER COURSE AT PALMETTO BLUFF**
Bluffton, S.C., 2004
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.75
- 24. PINE DUNES RESORT & GOLF CLUB**
Frankston, Texas, 2001
Jay Morrish
Avg. rating: 6.75
- 25. FRENCH LICK RESORT (PETE DYE)**
French Lick, Ind., 2009
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 6.73
- 26. DUNES GOLF & BEACH CLUB > (P.14)**
Myrtle Beach, S.C., 1949
Robert Trent Jones Sr.
Avg. rating: 6.66
- 27. BARONA CREEK**
Lakeside, Calif., 2000
Gary Roger Baird, Todd Eckenrode
Avg. rating: 6.65
- 28. HIGHLAND COURSE AT PRIMLAND > (P.82)**
Meadows of Dan, Va., 2007
Donald Steel
Avg. rating: 6.63
- 29. PRONGHORN (NICKLAUS)**
Bend, Ore., 2004
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.62
- 30. COUGAR CANYON**
Trinidad, Colo., 2007
Jack Nicklaus, Chris Cochran
Avg. rating: 6.57



The Wilderness at Fortune Bay | Tower, Minn.



Linville Golf Club | Linville, N.C.

31. MAUNA KEA BEACH HOTEL GOLF CLUB
Kamuela, Hawaii, 1966
Robert Trent Jones Sr.
Avg. rating: 6.55

32. WOLF CREEK
Mesquite, Nev., 2000
Arnold Palmer
Avg. rating: 6.55

**33. THE GREENBRIER
(THE OLD WHITE TPC)**
White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., 1914
Charles Blair Macdonald, Seth Raynor
Lester George, 2006
Avg. rating: 6.53

34. ATLANTIC CITY COUNTRY CLUB
Northfield, N.J., 1923
William S. Flynn
Tom Doak, 2000
Avg. rating: 6.52

35. MANELE BAY (CHALLENGE)
Lanai, Hawaii, 1993
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.52

36. LINVILLE GOLF CLUB > (P.49)
Linville, N.C., 1924
Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 6.46

37. LODESTONE
McHenry, Md., 2010*
Hale Irwin
Avg. rating: 6.45

38. WHISTLING STRAITS (IRISH) > (P.42)
Kohler, Wis., 1999
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 6.44

**39. OMNI MOUNT WASHINGTON RESORT
(MOUNT WASHINGTON)**
Bretton Woods, N.H., 1915
Donald Ross
Brian Silva, 2008
Avg. rating: 6.43

40. TPC SAN ANTONIO (AT&T OAKS)
San Antonio, Texas, 2010*
Greg Norman
Avg. rating: 6.42

41. WILDERNESS AT FORTUNE BAY > (P.102)
Tower, Minn., 2004
Jeff Brauer
Avg. rating: 6.42

42. BARTON CREEK (FAZIO CANYONS)
Austin, Texas, 2001
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 6.41

**43. REYNOLDS PLANTATION
(GREAT WATERS) > (P.130)**
Greensboro, Ga., 1992
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.40

44. CORDEVALLE
San Martin, Calif., 2000
Robert Trent Jones Jr.
Avg. rating: 6.39

**45. RITZ-CARLTON GC AT DOVE MOUNTAIN
(SAGUARO & TORTOLITA)**
Marana, Ariz., 2009
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.39

46. SAND HOLLOW (CHAMPIONSHIP)
St. George, Utah, 2008
John Fought, Andy Staples
Avg. rating: 6.38

47. PGA WEST (STADIUM COURSE)
La Quinta, Calif., 1986
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 6.38

48. OSPREY MEADOWS
Donnelly, Idaho, 2006
Robert Trent Jones Jr., Bruce Charlton
Avg. rating: 6.38

49. SILVERADO RESORT & SPA (NORTH) > (P.90)
Napa, Calif., 1957*
Robert Trent Jones Sr., Johnny Miller
Avg. rating: 6.33

50. WE-KO-PA GOLF CLUB (CHOLLA)
Fountain Hills, Ariz., 2001
Scott Miller
Avg. rating: 6.32

51. INNISBROOK (COPPERHEAD) > (P.62)
Tarpon Springs, Fla., 1974*
Edward Packard, Lawrence Packard
Avg. rating: 6.30

52. WHITEHAWK RANCH
Clio, Calif., 1996
Dick Bailey
Avg. rating: 6.27





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- 53. CROSSWATER**
Sunriver, Ore., 1995
Bob Cupp, John Fought
Avg. rating: 6.25
- 54. BALLYOWEN GC AT CRYSTAL SPRINGS RESORT**
Hamburg, N.J., 1998
Roger Rulewich
Avg. rating: 6.23
- 55. TOBACCO ROAD > (P.100)**
Sanford, N.C., 1998
Michael Strantz
Avg. rating: 6.21
- 56. TIMBERSTONE**
Iron Mountain, Mich., 1995*
Jerry Matthews
Avg. rating: 6.19
- 57. RAVEN COURSE AT SNOWSHOE MOUNTAIN**
Snowshoe, W.Va., 1993
Gary Player, Tom Walker
Avg. rating: 6.17
- 58. FRENCH LICK RESORT (DONALD ROSS)**
French Lick, Ind., 1917
Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 6.16
- 59. PGA NATIONAL (CHAMPION)**
Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 1981
Tom Fazio, Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.15
- 60. AK-CHIN SOUTHERN DUNES > (P.40)**
Maricopa, Ariz., 2002
Brian Curley, Lee Schmidt
Avg. rating: 6.15
- 61. BEDFORD SPRINGS**
Bedford, Pa., 1923
Ron Forse, Donald Ross,
A.W. Tillinghast
Avg. rating: 6.14
- 62. NEMACOLIN WOODLANDS (MYSTIC ROCK)**
Farmington, Pa., 1995
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 6.14
- 63. BAY HILL CLUB**
Orlando, Fla., 1961
Arnold Palmer, Dick Wilson
Avg. rating: 6.14
- 64. OCEAN COURSE AT HAMMOCK BEACH**
Palm Coast, Fla., 2000
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.12
- 65. MID PINES CLUB**
Southern Pines, N.C., 1921
Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 6.12
- 66. CIRCLING RAVEN > (P.52)**
Worley, Idaho, 2003
Gene Bates
Avg. rating: 6.11
- 67. GOLDEN HORSESHOE (GOLD)**
Williamsburg, Va., 1965
Robert Trent Jones Sr.
Avg. rating: 6.11
- 68. WYNN GOLF CLUB**
Las Vegas, Nev., 2005
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 6.10
- 69. RED SKY (FAZIO) > (P.84)**
Wolcott, Colo., 2003
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 6.10
- 70. KAUAI LAGOONS (KIELE MAUKA/KIELE MOANA)**
Kauai, Hawaii, 1988
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.08
- 71. TALKING STICK (NORTH)**
Scottsdale, Ariz., 1998
Bill Coore, Ben Crenshaw
Avg. rating: 6.08
- 72. LAKEWOOD SHORES RESORT (GAILES)**
Oscoda, Mich., 1992
Kevin Aldrige
Avg. rating: 6.08
- 73. STONEWALL RESORT**
Roanoke, W.Va., 2003
Arnold Palmer
Avg. rating: 6.07
- 74. TREETOPS NORTH (SMITH)**
Gaylord, Mich., 1993
Rick Smith
Avg. rating: 6.06
- 75. FOUR SEASONS RESORT HUALALAI**
Kailua - Kona, Hawaii, 2008
Jack Nicklaus
Avg. rating: 6.05
- 76. DORAL GOLF RESORT & SPA (TPC BLUE MONSTER) > (P.54)**
Miami, Fla. 1962
Dick Wilson, Joe Lee
Avg. rating: 6.03
- 77. PECHANGA RESORT & CASINO (JOURNEY AT PECHANGA) > (P.74)**
Temecula, Calif., 2008
Steve Forrest, Arthur Hills
Avg. rating: 6.03
- 78. THE WESTIN SAVANNAH HARBOR GOLF RESORT & SPA**
Savannah, Ga., 1999
Bob Cupp
Avg. rating: 6.03
- 79. PINEHURST (NO. 4)**
Pinehurst, N.C., 1917
Tom Fazio, Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 6.02



We-Ko-Pa (Cholla) | Fountain Hills, Ariz.

- 80. BROADMOOR (EAST)**
Colorado Springs, Colo., 1918
Robert Trent Jones Sr., Donald Ross
Avg. rating: 6.01
- 81. POIPU BAY GOLF RESORT**
Kauai, Hawaii, 1991
Robert Trent Jones Jr.
Avg. rating: 5.99
- 82. WAILEA RESORT (GOLD) > (P.70)**
Maui, Hawaii, 1994
Robert Trent Jones Jr.
Avg. rating: 5.98
- 83. LINKS AT SPANISH BAY**
Pebble Beach, Calif., 1987
Robert Trent Jones Jr.,
Sandy Tatum, Tom Watson
Avg. rating: 5.98
- 84. PINEHURST (No. 8)**
Pinehurst, N.C., 1995
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 5.97
- 85. BLACKWOLF RUN
(MEADOW VALLEY) > (P.42)**
Kohler, Wis., 1988
Pete Dye
Avg. rating: 5.94
- 86. KIVA DUNES**
Gulf Shores, Ala., 1994
Jerry Pate
Avg. rating: 5.94
- 87. BOULDERS RESORT (NORTH)**
Carefree, Ariz., 1985
Jay Morrish
Avg. rating: 5.94
- 88. THE CLASSIC AT MADDEN'S LAKE**
Brainerd, Ariz., 1997*
Scott Hoffman
Avg. rating: 5.92

- 89. VENTANA CANYON (MOUNTAIN)**
Tucson, Ariz., 1987
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 5.91
- 90. BARTON CREEK (FAZIO FOOTHILLS)**
Austin, Texas, 1995
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 5.91
- 91. FAIRMONT TURNBERRY ISLE (SOFFER)**
Aventura, Fla., 1972*
Raymond Floyd, Robert Trent Jones Sr.
Avg. rating: 5.90
- 92. PELICAN HILL GOLF CLUB
(OCEAN SOUTH) > (P.76)**
Newport Coast, Calif., 1992
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 5.89
- 93. LAKE OF ISLES (NORTH)**
North Stonington, Conn., 2005
Rees Jones
Avg. rating: 5.88
- 94. DANCING RABBIT (AZALEAS) > (P.38)**
Philadelphia, Miss., 1997
Tom Fazio, Jerry Pate
Avg. rating: 5.88
- 95. THE PRAIRIE CLUB (PINES) > (P.78)**
Valentine, Neb., 2010
Graham Marsh
Avg. rating: 5.87
- 96. SHADOW RIDGE**
Palm Desert, Calif., 2000*
Nick Faldo
Avg. rating: 5.87
- 97. COEUR D'ALENE RESORT**
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, 1991
Scott Miller
Avg. rating: 5.85

- 98. TURNING STONE RESORT
(ATUNYOTE)**
Verona, N.Y., 2004
Tom Fazio
Avg. rating: 5.83

- 99. YOCHA DEHE GOLF CLUB > (P.46)**
Brooks, Calif., 2008
Brad Bell
Avg. rating: 5.83

- 100. SANDIA GOLF CLUB > (P.86)**
Albuquerque, N.M., 2005
Scott Miller
Avg. rating: 5.82

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