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Golfers warm up on the putting green before competing in the Central Oregon Shootout at Aspen Lake Golf Course in 2021.

## **ASPEN LAKES GOLF COURSE**

The red cinder bunkers at Aspen Lakes are as recognizable as perhaps any feature on any course in the region. Located just east of Sisters, Aspen Lakes is lined with ponderosa pines and is a challenge for golfers of all skill levels. The course has a quality set of par 5s, and its 222-yard, par-3 15th hole is among the toughest pars in Central Oregon.

Number of holes: 18. Status: Open year-round, weather permitting Location: 16900 Aspen Lakes Drive, Sisters Tee times: 541-549-4653 Course stats: Par 72, 7,302 yards Green fees: Through Sept. 30, \$50 to \$79 daily; after Oct. 1, \$45 to \$55 daily; Power cart: \$15 to \$20. Extras: Putting green, driving range, pro shop, practice bunker, clubhouse, restaurant.

Website: www.aspenlakes.com

## **BLACK BUTTE RANCH**

Big Meadow: The course was ranked in the top 10 in the state by Golfweek magazine in 2016. Golfers will find a well-bunkered, straightforward layout that is welcoming to players of all abilities. In addition, the breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains on the back nine can make for a memorable finish.

Glaze Meadow: The course is maturing into a must-play track in Central Oregon after a John Fought redesign nine years ago. Glaze Meadows new design utilizes classical elements, including grass-faced bunkers and turtleback greens

reminiscent of the golden era of golf design.

Number of holes: 36. Glaze Meadow (18) and Big Meadow (18). Status: Open seasonally Location: Eight miles northwest of Sisters on U.S. Highway 20 Tee times: 541-595-1500 Course stats: Big Meadow, par 72, 7,002 yards; Glaze Meadow, par 72, 7,007 yards

Green fees: Through June 16: before noon \$78, after noon \$68, after 3 p.m. \$52; June 17 to Sept. 30: before 7:30 a.m. \$72, 7:30 a.m. to noon \$88, noon to 3 p.m. \$72, after 3 p.m.; Spring & Fall: 7:30 a.m. to noon \$62, after noon \$56, 9-holes \$36; \$58 Power cart: \$38 GolfBoard: \$27. Extras: Two golf shops, driving ranges, putting greens, chipping and bunker practice areas at both courses, new putting course

## **CROOKED RIVER RANCH**

Website: www.blackbutteranch.com

Perched on the rim of the Crooked River Gorge, 400 feet above the river, this course is enjoyable for golfers of all abilities. The No. 5 canyon hole with its gofor- it or go-home attitude makes it easy to see why it is the signature hole. The 260-yard, par-4 hole can easily be managed with two short irons, though adventurous golfers might choose to take the shortcut over the gorge and play the hole as a 225-yard par 3. Just minutes north of Redmond, Crooked River Ranch is well worth the trip.

Number of holes: 18. Status: Open year-round, weather