

CENTRAL OREGON COURSE GUIDE

BROKEN TOP CLUB

When it opened in 1993, the Tom Weiskopf/Jay Morrish design on Bend's west side helped usher in an era of high-end private golf in Central Oregon. A classic test of golf, Broken Top is a well-manicured, parkland-style golf course that offers spectacular views of the Cascades. Its signature par-4 11th hole is memorable for the deep pumice pit guarding the green.

Number of holes: 18

Status: Open seasonally

Location: 62000 Broken Top Drive, Bend

Information: Golf shop, 541-383-0868; membership, 541-383-8200

How to play: Guests may play if accompanied or sponsored by a member. Golf course memberships are available

Course stats: Par 72, 7,161 yards

Head golf professional: Travis Moore

Assistant golf professional: Josh Hanson

Course designers: Tom Weiskopf and Jay Morrish (1993)

Extras: Driving range, putting course, two short-game practice facilities, clubhouse, pool, fitness facility

Website: www.brokentop.com

CALDERA LINKS

Designed by Jim Ramey, Crosswater Club's now-retired director of agronomy, and Bob Cupp, Crosswater's architect, Caldera Links is a family-friendly par-3 course that features tour-quality bentgrass greens and bluegrass tees. Caldera, whose nine holes range from 60 to 185 yards, is considered by some publications to be among the best par-3 layouts in the country. Like Crosswater, Caldera Links utilizes the surrounding meadows to define the course.

Number of holes: Nine-hole par-3 course

Status: Open April 16-October (weather permitting)

Location: East of entrance to Crosswater Club on South Century Drive in Sunriver

Information: 541-593-7890

How to play: Nine-hole course available to Sunriver Resort guests, Caldera Springs homeowners, and Crosswater Club members and their guests

Course stats: Par 27, hole distances range from 60 to 185 yards

Head golf professional: Mark Meyer, PGA

Course designers: Robert E. Cupp and Jim Ramey (2007)

Extras: Putting green, retail outlet

Website: www.calderasprings.com

CROSSWATER CLUB

The best-known golf course in Central Oregon, Crosswater boasts an unmatched setting. Forced carries over the Deschutes and Little Deschutes rivers add hazard to its lengthy setup. A golfer's ability to hit precise approach shots into the greens will be the difference between a solid score and a rough day. Ranked by Golf Digest as one of America's 100 Greatest Courses, Crosswater features six tee place-

ments for each hole, bentgrass fairways and some of the best putting surfaces around.

Number of holes: 18

Status: Open April 2-Oct. 24

Location: 17600 Canoe Camp Drive, Sunriver

Information: 541-593-4402

How to play: Available to Crosswater Club members, guests of members, and Sunriver Resort guests only

Course stats: Par 72, 7,683 yards

Head golf professional: Mark Meyer, PGA

Course designer: Robert E. Cupp (1995)

Extras: Driving range, putting and chipping greens, clubhouse with restaurant, snack bar, pro shop, locker facilities, pool

Website: www.crosswater.com

PRINEVILLE GOLF CLUB

The second-oldest golf course in Central Oregon, this nine-hole facility is an unpretentious private golf club. The throwback course weaves through the foothills east of Prineville, offering the uninitiated a surprising test of golf. The greens are considered by many to be among the slickest in the region.

Number of holes: Nine

Status: Open year-round, weather permitting

Location: 7120 Ochoco Highway, Prineville

Clubhouse: 541-447-7266

How to play: Guests may play when accompanied by a member. Memberships available

Head golf professional: None

Course stats: Back tees: par 32, front nine; par 33, back nine; 4,959 yards total. Forward tees: par 32, front; par 33, back; 4,302 yards total

Course designers: Bob Hogan, Eddie Hogan, Ted Longworth, Larry Lamberger (1950)

Extras: Practice range, putting green, bar and concessions

Website: sites.google.com/site/prinevillegolfclub

PRONGHORN CLUB (FAZIO)

Pronghorn's Tom Fazio Championship Course, named after its famed designer, is among the most visually impressive golf courses anywhere and has been listed among the country's best courses in national publications. The green complex on Fazio's 187-yard, par-3 eighth hole makes it a unique and spectacular hole.

Number of holes: 18

Status: Open year-round, weather permitting

Location: 65600 Pronghorn Club Drive, Bend

Information: 541-693-5300

How to play: Guests may play when accompanied by a member. Memberships available

Course stats: Par 72, 7,462 yards

Director of golf: Jerrel Grow

Course designer: Tom Fazio (2007)

Extras: Driving range, short-game area, putting green, indoor training facility, snack bar and three restaurants

Website: www.pronghornresort.com



A golfer plays the 16th hole at Lost Tracks Golf Club in Bend.

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