

# GARDEN ROUTE GOLF COURSES

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George Lodge International

If challenging courses are what makes your golfer's heart beat faster, you have come to the right place. We have designed the best custom golf packages to make the most of your golfing vacation. Each golf course in the Garden Route offers something unique for your golfing experience. So no matter which package you choose, rest assured that you will be playing on the finest golf courses. We offer stay, play and shuttle packages, so no hassle with any arrangements from T-off times to transport. The nearest golf course to us, George Golf Club is only 900 m from us. To qualify for the packages our friendly staff will do all the arrangements and make the bookings as per your requirements. Terms and conditions apply, ie : subject to T-off time availability and bookings must be made through us to qualify for the discounted rates.

## **George Package 1**

**Stay two nights at George Lodge (single occupancy)  
Play one round of golf at Fancourt  
From R1770.00**

## **George Package 2**

**Stay two nights at George Lodge (single occupancy)  
Play one round of golf at Fancourt  
From R1300.00**

## **Knysna Package**

**Stay two nights at George Lodge (single occupancy)  
Play one round of golf at Simola or Pezula  
From R1600.00**

## **Mossel Bay Package**

**Stay two nights at George Lodge (single occupancy)  
Play one round of golf at Pinnacle point  
From R1500.00**

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*The Garden Route stretches from Mossel Bay in the Western Cape all the way to Storms River in the Eastern Cape. The mild climate and the spectacular coastal scenery make this unique stretch of South Africa, a golfer's paradise. Fancourt Country Club Estate (situated in George), is consistently ranked in the Top 10 of South Africa's Golf Courses. The Garden Route offers a golfing experience comparable with the very best in the world - for example, the Pinnacle Point Golf Course, perched atop staggering cliffs along the dramatic coastline near Mossel Bay, was selected as one of the World's Top 10 Best New Courses for 2006 - the first time, in the history of golf, that a South African Golf course was selected.*



**Garden Route Golf Courses, South Africa**

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**Garden Route Golf Courses - Information, photographs and details about the popular 18**

## Kingswood Golf Club

Designed by Danie Obermeyer

Type Links

Holes 18 Par 72

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length Championship: 6286m; Club: 6020m

Telephone +27 (0)86 172-7170

Kingswood Golf Course, Garden Route, South Africa: 1 Kingswood Boulevard, George

The Kingswood Golf Estate is perfectly placed between the Fancourt Links and George Golf Course at the very heart of the Garden Route's golf hub. From its perfect blend of design and scenery, to its temperate weather,

you're certain to find Kingswood's Championship Golf Course a unique challenge, and one you'll want to take up again and again. Kingswood is a Sally Little signature golf course designed by Danie Obermeyer, and together they have created a masterpiece of exciting challenges for all golfers.



Little's understanding of professional demands and amateur ability, has resulted in a variety of tee choices to suit the full spectrum of the golfing market. Little puts the female footprint over the male masterplan saying, "This course is a unique test of golf for players of all levels".

Danie Obermeyer creates his trademark of superb greens that are always a guaranteed talking point on this undulating charming yet challenging layout.

Another talking point, and indeed a major feature of Kingswood, is the bunkers. They offer a memorable aesthetic feature, and also an intimidating impression to first time players. Although the sand traps are not as challenging as they may seem, it would, of course, be wise to avoid them when playing through.

## Oubaai Golf Course

Designed by Ernie Els

Type Links golf course

Holes 18 Par 74

Fairway Grass Veld Greens Grass Veld

Length 6516m

Telephone +27 (0)44 851-0131

Oubaai Golf Course, Herolds Bay, Garden Route, South Africa / Situated only 8 kilometres from George, in the design of the Oubaai 18-hole Championship Golf Course and Driving Range, Ernie Els and his team have taken full advantage of the spectacular site they are working with.



The Golf Course

The Golf Course at Oubaai is a Links layout where veld grasses line the lush fairways and greens. The elements, predominantly the wind, play a role in the defences of the course; the course being a coastal golf course. The greens are in excellent condition and

roll smooth and true. Oubaai is a course that will reward the well-executed shot and penalize any wayward shots in the true time honored tradition of a championship golf course. The Oubaai Golf Course measures 6516 meters from the Pro tees. This is long for a coastal course, but the design and placement of tee boxes allow all levels of handicap golfer the opportunity to extract a respectable score given patience and good course management.

The layout of the Oubaai golf course demands the full gambit of shots needed to score well. The course has 5 Par 3's and 5 Par 5's. The par 5's are all genuine par 5 as shape of the hole and bunkering persuade golfers to lay up... or of course go for broke! The 5 Par 3's are crucial to good scoring, they vary in length so club choice will differ on every hole as distance and wind condition come to bear, all greens are well bunkered and elevation cleverly used to increase the thought process required on each tee shot.

The most photographed hole on the Oubaai Golf course is the Par 3 17th where the green is below you and framed by the ocean which influences you to you to short club. The short distance of the hole of 144 meters from the back tee and the downhill elevation of the hole can offer a false sense of security however it is prudent to remember the 4 bunkers guarding the green and with the breeze coming in off the sea that can add up to an extra 3 clubs on those special Cape South Coast days! All of a sudden you are looking at a much smaller target! It does make the hole even more memorable if you lucky enough to sight a whale in the Indian Ocean during your time spent in this corner of the Oubaai course.

The dramatic Golf Clubhouse location overlooks the 16, 17 and 18th greens. Open air terraces offer panoramic views of the Indian Ocean and the Gwaing River Valley. As you walk the course your views and outlooks take in forest, sea, river and mountain.

## George Golf Course

Designed by Dr Charles Molteno Murray

Type Combination Links & Parklands

Holes 18 Par 70

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length Championship: 6201m

Telephone +27 (0)44 873-6116

George Golf Club

George Golf Course, Garden Route, South Africa: C.J. Langenhoven Street, George: Nestled in the foothills of the magnificent Outeniqua mountains, George Golf Club is among the oldest courses in the country. George country club has for many years maintained a worthy rating amongst the top ten golf courses in South Africa. Currently rated 7th in the country, some rate it as the best in the Southern Cape. This course comes highly recommended and is in peak condition.



This course was designed by Dr Charles Molteno Murray and offers views of the exquisite Outeniqua Mountains from every hole. The greens have recently been upgraded and the course offers unparalleled natural beauty and is designed to challenge any golfer. A firm favourite are the well-established trees and natural vegetation, including the large dam which provides a visual focus to the course.

The main attraction of this course has always been its natural beauty, enhanced by lavish flora and the backdrop of the Outeniqua range. Many locals prefer it to Fancourt. George Golf Club has over the years hosted many top S.A.G.A. Tournaments as well as the SA Amateur Championships.

## Pezula Golf Course, Garden Route

Designed by Ron Fream

Type Links golf course

Holes 18 Par 72

Fairway Grass Kentucky Blue & Rye Greens Grass

Bent grass Length

Championship: 6281m

Telephone +27 (0)44 303-5300

Pezula Championship Golf Course, Knysna, Garden Route / Situated in the very heart of the Garden Route, on sweeping coastal cliffs, east of the charming town of Knysna, Pezula encompasses a world-class Championship Golf Course and Club.



### The Course

The Championship Golf Course lies high above the Indian Ocean and the vast Knysna lagoon - a sweeping spectacle of fairways and greens rolling through the pristine indigenous landscape.

The course's designers, Ron Fream and David Dale have compared the look of Pezula golf course to that of Gleneagles in the Scottish Highlands and Pebble beach on the Monterey coastline. A terrain of rolling fairways, fynbos and eyebrow bunkers does, however, make it very difficult to walk this course. (panic golf carts are provided for all golfers). The five different tee options on every hole cater for all skill levels. No two challenges, or views, are alike.

### Signature Hole

The signature holes are the three holes built on the cliff top overlooking the ocean; the par-five 13th, par-four 14th and the par-three 15th. The par-four 14th is particularly challenging - it is short and requires you to lay-up before firing at the pin. The green is completely surrounded by bunkers so be careful not to overshoot out-of-bounds and over the cliff.

## Knysna Golf Club

Designed by Phillip Basson (1998, redesign)

Type Parklands golf course

Holes / Par 18 / 73

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length Championship: 5924m; Club: 5924m

Telephone +27 (0)44 384-1150

Website <http://www.knysnagolfclub.com/>



Knysna Golf Course, Howard Street, Knysna, Garden Route, South Africa / The Knysna Golf course is probably the only golf course in South Africa which can boast holes that are below sea level. The Knysna Golf Club is situated on the eastern shores of the tranquil Knysna estuary one of the most beautiful regions of South Africa. Nestled on the shores of the Knysna Lagoon, the golf course meanders along tidal pools and magnificent indigenous trees. An interesting parkview style layout which has been

enhanced over the past few years, offers some of the finest bent grass greens in the Southern Cape.

### The Course

The 18 hole course emphasizes accuracy rather than length. The level terrain makes the course appear deceptively easy but the layout provides a challenge to golfers of all standards. A unique feature of the course is that sea water is in play on 10 of the 18 holes. There is an abundance of birdlife - both sea and fresh water birds, raptors and forest birds.

### Signature Hole

The par-five ninth hole is the most formidable at Knysna. Although it only measures 435 meter's, it channels through a wetland and golfers have to be wary of the reeds that flank both sides of the fairway. The chances are good that the golfer will see the richly coloured Knysna Loerie, undoubtedly one of South Africa's most beautiful birds. The pleasant temperate climate offers you golf throughout the year. Visitors are most welcome.

## Simola Golf Course

Designed by Jack Nicklaus

Type Parklands Golf Course

Holes 18 Par 72

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length 5644m (Ladies: 4755)

Telephone +27 44 302-9677

Simola Golf Estate, Knysna, Garden Route / Keeping your head down at Simola can be a challenge; simply because the views around the course are awe-enspiring, and with this, it is clear to see why



Simola takes its place as one of South Africa's premier golfing destinations. It's also the first Jack Nicklaus Signature course on the Garden Route, reflecting the maestro's philosophy of attuning the layout and design to the natural lie of the land.

### The Course

The Simola course offers challenging and rewarding golf amidst spectacular scenery. Set below the high ridges, it's free from the wind that so often plagues coastal courses. Fairways flow with the natural undulating contours of the terrain and the unusual configuration of five par 5's and five par 3's adds a new dimension to the game. It's par for the course that every hole boasts exceptional views; either out across the Knysna Lagoon all the way to the Heads or over the picturesque Knysna River as it twists and turns through the valley below.

### Club Facilities

The Simola Golf Clubhouse offers spacious changing rooms, and the beautifully appointed lounge will

comfort the needs of all golfers. The Proshop offers state-of-the-art golfing equipment, stylish apparel and a whole host of items.

## Fancourt Montagu Golf Course

Designed by Gary Player

Type Parklands golf course

Holes 18

Par 72

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length Championship: 6284m

Telephone +27 (0)44 804-0030

Fancourt Montagu Golf Course, Fancourt Country Club Estate, George, Garden Route / Fancourt has four golf courses to offer the golfing visitor. All the courses are renowned for their amazing year round condition and the attention to detail that is shown.



### The Montagu Course

With two 18-hole parkland courses, The Montagu, that took shape under master golfer Gary Player, worldclass conditioning and a setting that takes in mountains, water and wildlife, there is nothing to beat a Fancourt round. Since Golf at these two courses at Fancourt is limited to members, their guests and resort guests, you will have ample time and space to savour the Fancourt golfing experience.

### Facilities

If you're feeling a little rusty or just want to ease into your game, our Warm-up Area is available to resort guests and members. Here you will be able to make use of a putting and chipping green, green-side and fairway bunkers as well as a full-length driving range.

## Goose Valley Golf Club

Designed by Gary Player Design Co

Type Combination Links & Parklands

Holes 18 Par 72

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length Championship: 5847m Telephone +27 (0)44 533-5082



Goose Valley Golf Course, Plettenberg Bay, Garden Route, South Africa / Originally a 9 hole course set at the heart of a real estate development, The Gary Player Design Company has created an 18 hole layout of note only 2km from Plettenberg Bay and bordering on the Keurbooms Lagoon. The Keurbooms River nature reserve borders many of the holes that allow for some spectacular views of the ocean.

### The Course

Goose Valley golf course is a world-class golf course set amongst the indigenous fynbos.

The golf course is in stunning condition 12 months of the year. It is built on pure sand with excellent drainage properties and uses recycled water from the Gans "Goose" River that meanders through the Estate. Golfers will experience breathtaking views of the lagoon, the ocean and the Tsitsikamma Mountains, and also the beauty of the natural fynbos, trees and an abundance of animal and bird life.

## Pinnacle Point Golf Course

Designed by Peter Matkovich & Darren Clarke

Type Links golf course

Holes 18

Par 72

Fairway Grass Kikuyu Greens Grass Bent grass

Length 5844m (Ladies: 4955)

Telephone +27 (0)44 693-3438

Pinnacle Point Golf Course, Mossel Bay, Garden Route / The Pinnacle Point Golf Course is an immaculate eighteen-hole championship golf course, co-designed by renowned golf architect Peter Matkovich and professional golfer Darren Clarke. The golf course stretches along four kilometers of spectacular coastline and boasts dramatic cliff-side holes and over 1000 acres of unspoiled beachfront.



Located near Mossel Bay in the Southern Cape along the Garden Route in South Africa, the Pinnacle Point Golf Course is comparable with the best in the world and truly is a design masterpiece. Peter Matkovich, the golf architect responsible for many of South Africa's premier golf courses including Arabella, Leopard Rock and Steenberg, has described Pinnacle Point as "the most dramatic golf course site I've ever encountered anywhere in the world!"

The emerald green fairways and tees provide the perfect surface for making shots and the bent grass greens will ensure a challenging and entertaining game. The views are awe inspiring, with dramatic coastal views of the ocean from all area's of the course. Some of the holes are situated along the cliff side. In addition to this, the natural beauty of the indigenous flora and fauna complete this unique golfing experience.

## Mossel Bay Golf Course

Designed by Grimsdell 1957, Obermeyer 2000

Type Links golf course

Holes 18 Par 72

Fairway Grass Combination Kikuyu and Cynoden Greens Grass

Bent grass Length Championship: 5880m

Telephone +27 (0)44 691-2379



Mossel Bay Golf Course, 17th Avenue, Mossel Bay, Garden Route, South Africa / The 18-hole links course has recently been remodeled and upgraded and is getting rave reviews. The golf club is situated above a peninsular that juts out into the Indian Ocean with terrain that is densely vegetated and undulating.

### The Course

An excellent hole on the front nine is number 4 which is a 140-metre par-three which lies on a slope. The 12th (163 metres) is another good short hole with sweeping views of the sea. Both the tee shot and the approach at the short (261 metres) but tricky par-four 18th are 'blind', which means that the golfer cannot see the target as he or she is busy lining up the shot.

Mossel Bay is a pleasant course which is also hilly. The course is invariably in good condition and is mostly green all year round. The climate is Mediterranean with prevailing south easterly winds in summer and north westerly winds in winter. Kikuyu tees and fairways complete the course and ensure the golfer of a wonderful experience where you can see the sea from every tee.

*PS : The Garden Route is well-known for it's uncertain weather conditions, so make sure you have sun-tan lotion for the sun and an umbrella for the rain – enjoy your game.*