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Golf opportunities on the Jersey Cape offer a variety of playing levels, from the beginner to the “scratch” golfer

For many people, a vacation just isn't a vacation unless they can partake in one of the world's oldest yet fastest-growing sports – golf. Fortunately, golf opportunities on the Jersey Cape offer a variety of playing levels, from the beginner to the “scratch” golfer. The list of golf courses in Cape May County has been markedly expanded in recent years and continues to grow. Not only have golf course developers and designers realized the demand for the sport in the area, but they have discovered that the natural attributes found throughout the Jersey Cape are a perfect fit for unique and picturesque facilities.

The golf experience on the Jersey Cape is similar to that of other resorts known internationally for golf. Situated close to the ocean or bay, there's always a mild breeze, plenty of scenic beauty, and lush, well-kept greens and fairways at the courses on the Cape. From early morning to dusk, golf courses on the Jersey Cape offer challenging yet playable holes and exquisite venues so duffers can easily fit their favorite pastime into a vacation schedule.

With nine public courses in Cape May County, tee times are rarely a problem. Most area golf courses have special afternoon, weekday and “twilight” rates for those who want to hit the links after a day at the beach. Many clubs offer restaurants or grill rooms and pro shops.

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At the southern end of Cape May County, Cape May National is an 18-hole, par 71 course tucked into wooded areas featuring lakes, sand traps, grass bunkers, tree-lined fairways and undulating greens. The course is built around a 50-acre private bird sanctuary and teems with natural beauty set amid the area's expansive wetlands. Throughout the golf course you get a scenic 50-acre nature preserve tour of one of our nation's migratory flight-ways.

Mid-county boasts Avalon Golf Club and Sand Barrens Golf Club. Both par 72 courses, the multiple tee boxes on each course makes each an enjoyable round for all from the appropriate forward tees. At 5,896 yards for men and 4,694 yards for women, Avalon is one of the area's most popular and accessible courses, featuring eight lakes throughout the course and a driving range.

Sand Barrens, 6,304 yards for men and 4,817 women, has a renowned 4th hole, with an elevated tee and two greens below, one 450 yards away, the other 429. The club offers 27 holes of golf. This tree-lined course is known for a lot of sand, mostly waste areas, about 25 acres worth during your round of golf. With the addition of a southern plantation style clubhouse a few years ago, they offer an upscale restaurant, banquet facilities and a larger pro shop.

Newest among the 18-hole courses is Shore Gate. The 18-hole course was designed to be challenging but rewarding for players of all levels. This tree-lined, heavily bunkered golf course is probably one of the most challenging courses in Southern New Jersey and possibly throughout the entire State.

Northern Cape May County boasts several public courses including The Pines at Clermont, a fun, nine-hole executive and Heritage Links, a links style offering rolling fairways with some elevated tees and greens.

Whatever level of play, there is enough diversity in the layouts and designs of the golf courses in Cape May County to satisfy anyone who wants to make golf playing a part of their Jersey Cape Vacation.