

DORADO BEACH, A RITZ-CARLTON RESERVE RECOGNIZED AS #5 IN THE 'BEST FOR LUXURY' CATEGORY IN GOLF MAGAZINE'S TOP 100 RESORTS IN NORTH AMERICA LIST

International Magazine's Writers, Industry Leaders, Resort Guests Contribute to Elite List of Resort Experiences



DORADO BEACH, PUERTO RICO (October 29, 2019) – *GOLF Magazine* recently recognized Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve as the #5 resort in the 'Best for Luxury' category on its inaugural list of the *Top 100 Golf Resorts in North America*.

The *Top 100 Resorts in North America* issue is one of *GOLF Magazine's* largest editorial projects, examining more than 240 resorts across the continent while generating extensive reviews of the Top 100. The Best for Luxury category features resorts that not only have breathtaking and memory-making golf courses, but also showcase world-class service, cuisine, aesthetics and off-course experiences.

"Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve is known for unparalleled guest experiences and our golf courses are no exception," said George Sotelo, General Manager of Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve. "We are delighted to have been ranked #5 in *GOLF Magazine's* 'Best of Luxury' category for our two immaculate 18-hole seaside courses."

Designed to capture the beauty of nature, the resort's award-winning courses present players with both the joy and thrill of the sport. Turquoise ocean views, swaying coconut trees, and a collection of diverse, ingenious holes define The Reserve's two Tournament Players Club (TPC) courses. With multiple teeing areas to choose from, the courses can play as challenging or as friendly as golfers desire.

The East Course at Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve was authored by Robert Trent Jones Sr., the iconic golf architect whose work ushered in the modern era of golf designs. It was later revitalized by his son, the equally esteemed Robert Trent Jones Jr. In preserving its history, Jones Jr. maintained the tree trunks, which bear the marks of golf balls that went astray, and has named each hole after the trees that surround it. In this restoration, Jones Jr. brought back the ocean views and used native sand to contour the bunkers. The 18-hole course stretches to more than 7,200 yards from the rear tees and is approximately 6,000 yards from the forward tees.

Diverse yet complementary, the resort's Sugarcane Course features larger fairways and greens, and requires that players navigate forced carries and deep bunkers. Rivers and lakes on the back nine offer a fresh perspective.

Although the high quality of golf courses is integral to *GOLF*'s ranking, the new Top 100 Resorts compilation considers the complete stay-and-play experience in its evaluation. This comprehensive list took form through combining input from *GOLF*'s in-house team of travel and editorial experts, resort industry veterans, as well as thousands of golfers via an online poll.

"Our goal for creating this list was to inspire everyone who loves golf to explore more of the amazing golf destinations that exist in North America," said David DeNunzio, Editor-In-Chief of *GOLF*. "Your best golf adventures, the ones that you'll always remember, usually come through experiencing all that great resorts like these have to offer."

GOLF's complete ranking of the *Top 100 Resorts in North America* can be found online at: https://www.golf.com/travel/2019/09/09/golf-best-top-resorts-north-america-complete-list-ranking/ More information and bookings for Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve can be made via www.doradobeachreserve.com, by phone at +1 (787) 626-1100, or by contacting one's preferred travel professional.

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About Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve

Dorado Beach is a sanctuary of magnificence and tranquility, tucked away on Puerto Rico's Atlantic coast. Situated on 1,400 acres of the former Laurance Rockefeller estate, Dorado Beach, a Ritz-Carlton Reserve is an intimate refuge offering a true sense of barefoot elegance. Created as an open-air enclave infused with references to the surrounding natural landscape and diverse culture, Dorado Beach is a true luxury sanctuary designed to allure the world's most discerning travelers through a bevy of one-of-a-kind lifestyle activities. Guests can also unwind at the award-winning Spa Botánico, a five-acre spa sanctuary built on a pineapple field that blends Puerto Rican ingredients and soothing indigenous traditions to impart a holistic sense of well-being. http://www.ritzcarlton.com/en/hotels/puerto-rico/dorado-beach

About GOLF Magazine and GOLF.com

Celebrating its 60th anniversary in 2019, *GOLF* – including *GOLF Magazine*, *GOLF.com*, and associated digital, video and social media platforms – is the premier media brand for all things golf. *GOLF* Magazine reaches an audience of 4.2 million people, while more than 6 million people engage with the brand across our *GOLF.com* and *GOLF* social channels. *GOLF's* celebrated franchise includes the *GOLF* Top 100 Courses (including World and U.S. editions); *GOLF's* Top 100 Courses You Can Play; *GOLF's* Top 100 Teachers in America; the *GOLF* Fix Finder app; and *GOLF* Films productions. With innovative content covering equipment, instruction, travel and lifestyle, GOLF is the definitive voice of the sport on and off the course, dedicated to enhancing every golfer's enjoyment of the game. https://www.golf.com/

About TPC Dorado Beach

Part of the TPC Network since spring 2015, TPC Dorado Beach is home to world-class Caribbean golf courses including the East Course, named one of Golfweek's Top 50 Courses of the Caribbean and Mexico in 2019. The tradition of golf at Dorado Beach is as rich as this magnificent estate's history. Beginning in 1955, renowned golf architect Robert Trent Jones, Sr. set out to create the finest golf resort in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, culminating in several spectacular, 18-hole layouts that have played host to celebrities, world leaders, golf legends and PGA tournaments.

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