



OLD PALM GOLF CLUB

The crown jewel of the Palm Beaches.

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PALM BEACH GARDENS, FLORIDA: PGA TOUR players are a discriminating bunch. They are used to the best. So, my eyebrow raised upon learning Charl Schwartzel (2011 Masters Champion), Rory McIlroy (2011 U.S. Open Champion), and Louis Oosthuizen (2010 British Open Champion) have honed their game at Old Palm Golf Club in South Florida.



Castillo II model by Hasey Construction

The ultra-private, low density club is an Audubon Gold Signature community with a Raymond Floyd designed golf course located 20 minutes north of the Palm Beach International airport.

“Old Palm and the Palm Beach Gardens area is a great place to live,” said Floyd. “The airport is close, there are excellent medical facilities, the weather is ideal, and you have every service you need within a short drive.”

The community at Old Palm Golf Club offers a 33-acre Golf Practice Studio, a Mediterranean-inspired clubhouse, full-service spa, complete fitness facility, resort-style pool, and acres of pristine lakes and natural areas.

EXHALE, YOU'RE HOME

“I strive to deliver what our members bought into and deserve,” stated Darlene Impellittere, club general manager at Old Palm Golf Club.

“When our members pass through the gate, I want them to be able to exhale, relax, and enjoy our club’s atmosphere.”

“Last year was packed full of fun activities. Some of our more popular functions included our weekly Pub Nights and monthly Nine and Dine tournaments.

“As our club matures,” continued Impellittere, “our social events continue to grow in size. I think our success

Old Palm Golf Club's 33-acre Golf Practice Studio is one of the best in the nation. It features a doublesided driving range; a short game with multiple bunkers; a three-hole practice course; and The Studio, an indoor, climate controlled, custom-fitting clubhouse.



Fitness Center and Spa

can be traced to two factors. We host fun, engaging parties and our members are a congenial group of folks. They have all been successful in life and enjoy being together.

"We really go out of our way to create memories for our families. Our Margaritaville at the Pool themed party is always a draw. We even landed one of the most popular bands in the state to rock the house."

THE 2012 SEASON IS IN FULL SWING

Typically, season in South Florida kicks off in early November. Old Palm's calendar is no different.

"We are barely into our first two months of the season's social calendar and we already have been abuzz with events," explained Impellittiere. "Our season opening weekend lasted until the wee hours of the night while everyone danced the night away.

"Just a couple of weeks ago, we held our inaugural Ladies Holiday Boutique [featuring vendors from all over South Florida] and we had over 100 women in attendance. In the next two months," said Impellittiere, "we will have our Family Movie Night, Disco Fever Dance, Casino Party, Seafood Extravaganza, and numerous golf tournaments. Whew! We are busy."

IT'S THE MEMBERS WHO MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Bill and Sharon Wood Prince looked everywhere, from West Palm Beach to Jupiter, before deciding to join Old Palm in 2010. "There are many attractive communities in South Florida, but the membership at Old Palm seems to

be a good fit for us," remembered Bill Wood Prince.

"I have been extraordinarily lucky to be a member at other nice private clubs. Old Palm's facilities, staff, and culture are as good as I have ever experienced," said Wood Prince. "I have to give credit to Darlene. She is the Energizer Bunny plus. Her enthusiasm and attitude are much appreciated."

CRITIQUING RAY'S DESIGN

Raymond Floyd's philosophy is straightforward. He believes golf is a game and games are supposed to be fun.

"Our golf course is challenging. Water does come into play frequently," explained Wood Prince, "and our greens are firm and putting can be tricky. A good short game is the key to scoring.

"One lesson I have learned is to never ask our caddies if they agree a putt will break in a certain direction. I don't want to influence their advice so I let them tell me first before giving my opinion."

LIFE IS TERRIFIC AT OLD PALM

The South Florida real estate market continues its slow healing process. Today's prospects are becoming much more serious about purchasing.

Old Palm closed over \$60 million in real estate transactions in the last year—a total even more impressive considering how many communities are still struggling.

"Folks are spending money and we are benefiting from the recovering market. Old Palm has the right product, is in a desirable area, and offers amenities to fit today's lifestyle," explained Connie McGinnis, director of sales at Old Palm.

Six custom home builders at Old Palm offer a combined two centuries of experience. Some of the most respected names in the business who are building residences at Old Palm are Casto Homes, Courchene Development, Couture Lifestyle Homes, Dreamstar Custom Homes, Hasey Construction, Mustapick Estate Homes, and Pinetree Homes. They offer a wide range of architecture and price points to choose from. Home prices start at \$1.5 million up to \$15 million. ■

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