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## THE MASTERS COLUMBIA, USA 7TH - 13TH APRIL 2025

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## WELCOME TO THE MASTERS EXPERIENCE

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The springtime splendour of Augusta National never disappoints and probably never will. With such iconic moments in golfing history as Nicklaus's charge in 1986, Faldo's comeback in 1996 and Tiger's chip-in in 2005, Augusta has an atmosphere and aura like no other place on earth. We think it's only fitting that you get to sample that for yourself.



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Located just over the South Carolina/Georgia border, Columbia is the State Capital and a great base for your Masters visit. A vibrant city that boasts a great range of bars and restaurants within easy walking distance of your hotel. Columbia benefits from being a little further away from Augusta meaning it's not overcrowded whilst still having that Masters Week atmosphere. Augusta National is only an hour away and with all of your golf and Masters transfers included you can sit back, relax and enjoy your week.

Columbia Metropolitan Airport is just a 10 minute taxi ride from Downtown Columbia with Charlotte Douglas International 90 minutes away.

## **FLEXI TOUR**

The perfect pancake to give you flexibility and choice of which day at the Masters to attend, also enjoy some golf for yourself after being inspired by the worlds best golfers.

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### WHY WE STAY IN COLUMBIA?

Augusta during Masters Week is extremely crowded, offers limited facilities, and all at vastly inflated prices. Columbia is about an hour away and offers all the facilities of a city. Our clients can walk out in the evening and find space in good bars and restaurants at sensible prices.

## THE GREEN JACKET TOUR

Three days in the sunshine after a long, wet winter, one round of golf on a top local course and a Sunday Masters Badge. Seeing the Green Jacket presentation is a very special experience and we'd love to have you with us for it.

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## **PRACTICE ROUNDS TOUR**

It's every golfers dream to visit Augusta National, the Practice Rounds provide not only the opportunity to watch the world's best players prepare for the season opening major, but they also give you the truly unique opportunity to take your camera into the course.

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## **OPENING ROUNDS TOUR**

A great way to see all that Augusta has to offer under tournament conditions (as well as getting to watch the legendary honorary starters combining Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player). This tour enables you to see Augusta National up close with its full field and still be home in time to watch the final round on Sunday and say "I've been there!"

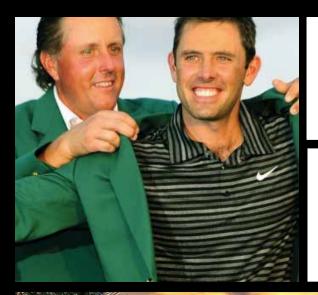
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## **FINAL ROUNDS TOUR**

Being at Augusta National is always special, being there to watch the presentation of the Green Jacket is unforgettable. The atmosphere on the Final Day of The Masters is something that has to be felt to be believed and that's exactly what you'll be able to do on this tour.

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## THE GOLFERS TOUR

The perfect match between playing on top local courses and sampling all the action from Augusta. The six night stay really enables you soak up the atmosphere. Many of our guests also like to upgrade their golf on Wednesday to a Masters Badge and take in the famous Par 3 contest.

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## ITINERARY 11TH - 14TH APRIL 2025 THE GREEN JACKET TOUR



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

#### 3 nights 4\* accommodation at Marriott Columbia Hotel

1 round of golf

Sunday Masters Badge

Return golf transfers

Welcome pack

24 hour on the ground assistance

#### FRIDAY 11TH APRIL

On arrival, you will check in for three nights accommodation before having the rest of the afternoon and evening at your leisure. Your representative will be on hand to meet you and ensure you have everything you need.

The hotel benefits from a prime central location with numerous bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. Please do ask for recommendations; the Brazilian steakhouse is always a popular choice on the first night.

#### **SATURDAY 12TH APRIL**

Breakfast will again be available throughout the morning ahead of our golf at Woodcreek Farms. Arguably the premier golf course in the area Woodcreek boast slick greens, tall pines and plenty of water hazards to keep you on your toes.

Our late morning tee time will again ensure you have a leisurely start to the day but are also back in the clubhouse and able to enjoy all the action from Augusta National where the leaders will be teeing off at 14:00.

Saturday night of Masters Week always provides a great atmosphere in Columbia, with a mix of locals and golf fans coming together to enjoy themselves. Be sure to ask for any restaurant recommendations and reservations.

#### **SUNDAY 13TH APRIL**

Breakfast Breakfast will be available from 06:00 and we will depart for Augusta at 07:30. Masters Sunday is a special day, arguably like no other in the golfing calendar and you will be there as the atmosphere builds throughout the day. The first tee time will be around 10:30 with the leaders heading off shortly before 15:00.

Take some time in the morning to walk the course and take it all in, find your favoured spots to watch the action and be sure to pick up a tee sheet, so you know who will be coming through when. It's sure to be an exciting day, but try and find time to visit the Masters Shop. It's a shopping experience that has to be seen to be believed, and you'll soon see why the average spend is \$500 per person.

We will depart Augusta 30-minutes after the presentation of the Green Jacket. Once back in Columbia, there will be plenty of time for a celebration drink and a chance to share your favourite moments of the day.

#### **MONDAY 14TH APRIL**

Following yesterday's excitement, today will be a much quieter affair. Following a leisurely start to the day, check-out is at 12 noon. The Marriott airport shuttle will again be on hand to take you back to the airport for your return flight home.

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## APRIL 2025 FLEXITOUR



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

commodation

4 Nights 4\* accommodation at marriott Columbia Hotel

1 round of golf

Choice of 1 x Tournament day at the Masters to attend

Return Masters and Golf day transfers

Welcome pack

24 hour on the ground assistance

## DAY 1

On Arrival you will check into the Columbia Marriott for 4 nights. Our team will be on hand to answer any questions and point you in the right direction should you wish to check out one of Columbia great restaurants on your first night

#### **DAYS 2, 3 AND 4**

Over the next few days you will have some action packed activities in store, this will include the highlight of the trip when attending a tournament day at the US Masters. Walking through the gates it's certainly a goosebump moment, taking the stroll past the driving range and heading onto the golf course to watch the world's best golfers compete for the green jacket. Over this period of your trip you'll play at a local columbia course in one of our golf days, fully inspired from Augusta national.

#### DAY 5

After an action packed trip, its now time to say goodbye to you. The memories you have created on the trip will stay with you a lifetime and we hope to see you again soon.





## **ITINERARY 6TH - 10TH APRIL 2025** PRACTICE ROUNDS TOUR



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

## 4 nights 4\* accommodation at Marriott Columbia Hotel 1 round of golf Monday Masters Badge **Tuesday Masters Badge Return golf transfers** Welcome pack

#### 24 hour on the ground assistance

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#### SUNDAY 6TH APRIL

Check in for a four nights 4\* accommodation on a twin sharing, bed and breakfast basis. The rest of the evening will be at your leisure to relax and acclimate. You will be met at the hotel by your representative, and we will be on hand throughout the week to ensure you have everything you need. Columbia boasts a large number of excellent bars and restaurants, so be sure to ask for recommendations.

The hotel benefits from a prime central location with numerous bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. Please do ask for recommendations; the Brazilian steakhouse is always a popular choice on the first night.

#### MONDAY 7TH APRIL

Breakfast will be available at the hotel from 06:30 and we will make an early departure for Augusta at 07:30. Augusta National is a place of true beauty, and you will have the day to enjoy and explore the course. It's always a relaxed atmosphere at the beginning of the week, with the players as happy to be on the course as the patrons. Be sure to visit the Masters Shop. It has to be seen to be believed, and be sure to get those all-important photographs.

Once back in Columbia, the evening will be at your leisure. With a whole host of excellent bars and restaurants, please just ask for recommendations.

#### **TUESDAY 8TH APRIL**

Breakfast will again be available from 06:30 before we head back to Augusta for the second practice round.

Having seen the course for the first time yesterday, you'll no doubt have your favourite spots to watch players come through. Your badge will give you full access to all grandstands around the course ensuring you always have an excellent view.

The evening will again be at your leisure back in Columbia.

#### WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL

Today will see a more leisurely start to the day. Following breakfast, we will depart for 18 holes of golf. We will be p;paying a course which is only 25 minutes from the hotel.

Following your round, there will be time for a refreshing drink in the clubhouse as the live action from Augusta National begins at 15:00 on CBS. Following our return to the Hotel, the evening will be at your leisure.

#### **THURSDAY 10TH APRIL**

Another leisurely start to the day with breakfast served from 06:00 – 10:00. Check-out is at 12 noon, so depending on your return flight time, it could be the ideal opportunity for some last minute shopping. Columbia Mall is always worth a visit.



## **ITINERARY 8TH - 12TH APRIL 2025** OPENING ROUNDS TOUR



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

### 4 nights 4\* accommodation at Marriott Columbia Hotel 1 round of golf Thursday Masters Badge Friday Masters Badge **Return Golf and Masters** Transfers Welcome pack **Pre-Masters drinks reception**

24 hour on the ground assistance

#### **TUESDAY 8TH APRIL**

On arrival, you will check in for four nights accommodation before having the rest of the afternoon and evening at your leisure. Your representative will be on hand to meet you and ensure you have everything you need.

The hotel benefits from a prime central location with numerous bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. Please do ask for recommendations; the Brazilian steakhouse is always a popular choice on the first night.

#### WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL

Breakfast is available at the hotel throughout the morning before departure for today's golf at 10 am. Cobblestone Park is just 25 minutes away and boasts 27 excellent holes of golf, not to mention superb warmup facilities. The tall pines, slick greens and plenty of water leave you without a doubt that you're now playing golf in the USA. Following your round, there will be time for a refreshing drink in the clubhouse before returning to the Marriott, as live coverage of the Par 3 Contest begins on CBS. This evening, there will be a drinks reception at the hotel hosted by your representative, and we'd be delighted if you'd join us as we look ahead to the start of The Masters tomorrow. The rest of the evening is at your leisure.

#### **THURSDAY 10TH APRIL**

Today is arguably the most anticipated day in the golfing calendar, with Jack and Gary again getting proceedings underway.

The 2025 Masters Tournament is finally here. Today we will leave early for Augusta to ensure you don't miss a shot. With the much sought after Masters Badge in your possession, the gates of Augusta National await and what will surely be one of the greatest golfing days of the year. Be sure to find time to stop by the Masters store. This a golf shop like no other, with everything from your typical golf shirts and caps to tea towels, babygrows and handbags you really can get everything "Masters" in here.

We will depart Augusta for the hotel 30 minutes after the completion of the day's play. Once back in Columbia the evening will be at your leisure.

#### FRIDAY 11TH APRIL

Breakfast is available at the hotel from 06:30 before we transfer to Augusta National for Round 2. With the halfway cut looming at the end of the day, everyone in the field will be looking to ensure their safe passage to the weekend. Having seen the course for the first time yesterday, you will no doubt have found a couple of favourite spots to enjoy groups come through. Although with so many iconic and stunning golf holes, you often find yourself spoilt for choice.

We will depart Augusta 30 minutes after the completion of day's play and the evening is at your leisure in Columbia.

#### SATURDAY 12TH APRIL

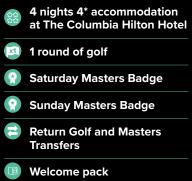
Breakfast will be available at the hotel before check out and depart for home. There will certainly be time for some last minute shopping and depending on your flight time. There may even be the opportunity for an extra round of golf.

#### We hope to see you again in 2025!

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## **ITINERARY 10TH - 14TH APRIL 2025** FINAL ROUNDS TOUR

#### WHAT'S INCLUDED



24 hour on the ground assistance

#### **THURSDAY 10TH APRIL**

On arrival you will check-in for 4 nights accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis.

You will be met at the hotel by your representative who will be available throughout your trip to ensure you have everything you need. The rest of the evening will be at your leisure to get acclimatized and relax after a day travelling. The Hotel benefits from a great central location and as such has numerous bars and restaurants within easy walking distance. The Brazilian Steakhouse is always a first night favourite but please ask for suggestions and recommendations.

#### **FRIDAY 11TH APRIL**

Breakfast is available at the hotel before your 10.00 transfer to Cobblestone Park Golf & Country Club, our first tee time is at 11.00. Cobblestone will give you a true experience of South Carolina golf, one of the regions premier members clubs Cobblestone has slick green and tall pines not to mention copious amounts of water. There will be plenty of time for a relaxing post round drink before we return to the Marriott. Live coverage from Augusta National will begin at 15.00 so you'll be able to enjoy every shot from the afternoon starters. The evening will be at your leisure to enjoy the atmosphere of Masters Week in Columbia.

#### SATURDAY 12TH APRIL

Breakfast is again available at the hotel although from 06.00 before we depart at 07.00 for Augusta. With the halfway cut having fallen last night the field will now be down to the leading 44 players and ties with the leaders teeing off around 14.30 and the first tee time being around 10.30. A popular plan is to walk the course with one of the early groups, the crowds are normally smaller in the morning and this gives you a great feel for the course and enables you to see each hole in all it's glory. You are then able to pick your favoured hole and grandstand to watch the leaders come through in the afternoon.

Traditionally known as moving day, today will see the best players in the world jostling for position ahead of tomorrows final round. Return transfers to the hotel will be 30 minutes after the completion of the days play. Once back in Columbia the evening will be at your leisure, restaurant reservations can certainly be made for you.

#### SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Breakfast will be available from 06.00 in the hotel before our 07.00 transfer to Augusta National. The leaders will be teeing off around at 15.00 today with the first time again being around 10.30. Having walked the course yesterday you will no doubt have found your favoured spot to enjoy all the action. Be sure to make time to stop by the Masters Shop, this really is a golf shop like no other and with an average spend of \$500 per person you'll soon see how so many people get carried away. At the conclusion of the days play and after the presentation of the Green

Jacket will meet at the Executive Club before departing for Columbia. Once back at The Marriott there will be plenty of time for a celebratory drink and a chance to relive your favourite moments of another memorable Masters Week.

#### **MONDAY 14TH APRIL**

With a leisurely morning ahead and time for some last minute shopping breakfast is available at the hotel before check out and depart for home. We hope to see you again in 2025!

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## ITINERARY 8TH - 14TH APRIL 2025 THE GOLFERS TOUR



#### WHAT'S INCLUDED

## <sup>6</sup> nights 4\* accommodation at The Columbia Marriott Hotel 3 rounds of golf Friday Masters Badge Sunday Masters Badge Return Golf and Masters

#### Return Golf and Masters Transfers

#### Welcome pack

Pre-Masters drinks reception

24 hour on the ground assistance

#### **TUESDAY 8TH APRIL**

Check in for a 6 nights on a twin sharing, bed and breakfast basis. The rest of the evening will be at your leisure to relax and acclimatize. You will be met at the hotel by your representative and we will be on hand throughout the week to ensure you have everything you need. Columbia boasts a large number of excellent bars and restaurants so be sure to ask for recommendations.

#### WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL

Following breakfast at the hotel we will transfers for our first round of golf at Cobblestone Park Golf Club. A wonderful combination of lakes and tall pines Cobblestone is a great test of golf as well as being truly enjoyable. Following your round there will be time for a cooling drink before returning to the hotel. There will be a drinks reception at 7pm as we look ahead to the start of the 2018 Masters getting underway tomorrow morning, the rest of the evening will be at your leisure.

#### **THURSDAY 10TH APRIL**

Breakfast is again at the Hotel before we depart for our second round of golf at Windermere Golf and Country Club. Located just 25 minutes from the Marriott, Windermere is another typical South Carolina golf course with the slick greens sure to provide a test of your short game. There will again be time for a relaxing post round drink before returning to the hotel. Live coverage from Augusta begins at 3pm local time so there's sure to be plenty to enjoy into the evening.

#### **FRIDAY 11TH APRIL**

Today is arguably the most anticipated day in your golfing calendar as you lay eyes on Augusta National for the first time. We will leave early for Augusta to ensure you don't miss any of the action. Breakfast will be available at the hotel from 06.00 and we will leave for Augusta at 06.45, with the first tee time again being at 08.00, we will arrive in plenty of time for you to make your way out onto the course and be in position to see the early starters.

With the much sought after Masters Badge in your possession, the gates of Augusta National await and what will surely be one of the greatest golfing days in the year. We will depart Augusta for the hotel 30 minutes after the completion of the days play. Once back in Columbia please ask for restaurant recommendations.

#### SATURDAY 12TH APRIL

We have a more leisurely start to the day today, breakfast will available all morning at the hotel before 10.00 transfer to Woodcreek Golf Club, arguably the best members' course in the area Woodcreek is the perfect location for our final round of the week. Again combining the tall pines, large lakes and slick greens that you'll have become accustomed to, the course also boasts some stunning views. Return transfers to the hotel will be at 17.00 ensuring you're back in time to see the leaders complete the back 9 at Augusta. The rest of the evening is at your leisure.

#### SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

Today is a day like no other, there's an old adage that The Masters starts on the back nine on Sunday and with a back nine like Augusta National it's easy to see why. We will be leaving the Marriott at 07.00 this morning.

The first tee time today will be around 10.30 with the leaders teeing off at 15.00. Be sure to make time to stop by The Masters shop for the all important gifts, this really is golf shopping like you've never seen before. We will be departing from the Executive Club approximately 30 minutes after the presentation of the Green Jacket. On our return to Columbia there will be plenty of time for celebratory drinks and a chance to relive your favourite memories from the week.

#### **MONDAY 14TH APRIL**

Following a busy week, you have the morning at your leisure and breakfast at the hotel before check out and depart for home. We hope to see you again in 2026!



## BBC GOLF CORRESPONDENT IAIN CARTER SPECTATING AT AUGUSTA NATIONAL

Nothing quite prepares you for your first moments at the Augusta National.

Yes you might be prepared for the beauty, to witness the golfing test and see the world's best players ply their trade but the scale and undulations of the place are unimaginable until you actually arrive on the property.

Television can never quite capture the flow of the course, the rapid descent of the tenth and eleventh holes to the sunken golfing paradise that is Amen Corner and the draining climb back up to the eighteenth green. The place is unique. No one runs - top speed for all is a brisk walk. Spectators create their own grandstands by placing their portable seats at a vantage point of their choice and no one is allowed to carry a mobile phone.

Spectator views are the most unfettered in the professional game because players, their caddies and a few rules officials are the only people allowed inside the ropes.

It feels busy, especially in the merchandise area which is the only place on the planet official Masters products can be bought, but it retains a quaint feel in keeping with Georgia's southern charm.

And, although it is undoubtedly golf's most glamorous major, the on course sustenance including Augusta's famous Pimento cheese sandwiches are probably the most reasonably priced refreshments in world sport.



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## GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR EXPERIENCE USEFUL INFORMATION

#### PROHIBITED ITEMS LIST

Cell phones, beepers and other electronic devices are strictly prohibited on the grounds at all times. Cameras are strictly prohibited on Tournament days. Violation of these policies will subject the ticket holder to removal from the grounds and the ticket purchase to the permanent loss of credentials.

- Cell phones / PDAs No pocketbooks, purses, backpacks, personal bags, etc. larger than 10"W x 5"H x 5"D will be allowed on the grounds. (All items are subject to search.)
- Beepers, electronic Folding armchairs, devices
  - rigid chairs or stools
- Ladders, periscopes Weapons of any kind
  - Radios, TVs, Tape recorders
- (regardless of permit) Alcoholic beverages/ Strollers Beverage containers/ • Walkie-talkies
- coolers • Flags, banners, signs

\*Cameras are allowed for personal use only on Practice Round days -Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Cameras\*

**INSIDER INFORMATION!** Permitted chairs can be placed in designated areas on the course. It is an unspoken rule that chairs are not to be moved whether you are there or not. Be sure to get to the course early- spots go guickly! ONE chair per guest.

#### **GENERAL SAFETY & WEATHER WARNINGS**

For your personal safety, we ask that you exercise due care at all times. Also, please be reminded that under wet conditions the grounds may become slippery; take appropriate precautions. Please observe all scoreboards/message boards for the WEATHER WARNING sign. When the sign appears, you are advised to take precautions even before play is suspended. Suspension of play will be signalled by the sounding of an air horn or similar alert. Seek shelter immediately upon hearing the alert.

#### FACILITIES FOR THE PHYSICALLY IMPAIRED

Facilities for the physically impaired are provided. For the safety of all concerned, it is suggested that those using wheelchairs or similar transport use the hard surfaced roads and flat observation areas as much as possible. The grass is often damp and becomes very slippery on sloped areas. As a reminder, those accompanying a physically impaired individual must also have proper credentials.

**DO YOU HAVE YOUR US ESTA?** All passengers travelling to the US who are non US Citizens will need to pre apply for their US ESTA. This can be done by following the below link. https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta/

**ATTIRE** Augusta National asks that appropriate clothing and shoes should be worn at all times. Shorts have been generally acceptable and walking shoes are recommended.

**AUTOGRAPH POLICY** For everyone's safety and protection, there will be a NO AUTOGRAPH POLICY enforced on the golf course for the practice and Tournament days. Autograph seeking is only allowed around the Practice Range and on the Par 3 course during the Par 3 Contest.

**WEATHER** Average April temperatures in Augusta range from highs around 80 degrees to lows around 50 degrees. Cool clothing, hats, and sunscreen are recommended on warm. sunny days.

#### TOURNAMENT FACILITIES

The facilities at Augusta National include:

- Automated teller machines
  Lost and Found Pairing sheets with
- course map and tee times Parking
- Spectator Guides
- First Aid
- Golf shops

**ETIQUETTE** The Masters Tournament is an international competition and the contestants are considered invited guests. Everyone should be treated with courtesy and respect. Patrons are expected to behave with the utmost dignity and considerations at all times. There are several rules of spectator etiquette that should be followed when attending a golf tournament:

- Stay behind all ropes and cooperate with the designated officials of the tournament
- Remain still throughout each shot, and do not move until all players in the group have completed the hole
- Do not run
- Place all trash in the proper receptacles
- · Any excessive noise or shouting will not be tolerated and may result in dismissal

**INSIDER INFORMATION!** There is a check station just inside the main gate at Augusta National but be prepared to wait in long lines to pick up your checked items!

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## EXPLORE THIS VIBRANT CITY COLUMBIA INFORMATION

Columbia is the state capital and largest city in the US state of South Carolina. We keep coming back to Columbia as our main base during Masters week due to its diverse creative culture that can satisfy any appetite.

#### CLIMATE

Columbia is famously hot with 300 days of sunshine on average a year. Through the day during April, highs can be in the 80's and lows around the mid 50's. At night, plan on light breezes and more comfortable temperatures.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCKS BASEBALL TEAM

The University of South Carolina boasts some of the South's most loyal and determined fans, and recently they have had lots to cheer about.

The South Carolina Gamecocks Baseball team won the national title in both 2010 and 2011. The season gets underway in February through to July. If there's a game on during your tour, why not join some of the staff and cheer on the Gamecocks?

#### RESTAURANTS

A full restaurant guide will be available upon arriving at the hotel, this will guide you through the diverse options available within Columbia. Unlike many US Towns, the restaurants are all with walking distance, usually located along Gervais Street, which is a 10 minute walk from the hotel. Simply turn left out of the hotel onto Main Street, which will take you to Gervais Street - take a right and you'll be in the heart of the main stretch of restaurants.

#### BARBECUE

The Columbia region is known for its many barbecue restaurants. Pulled pork is typically the signature barbecue dish; most of the barbecue restaurants offer fried chicken, savoury casseroles and vegetables. Many restaurants provide community tables, so you can mingle with the locals while sharing a pitcher of sweet tea - sorry, a BEER!





## GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR EXPERIENCE VIEWING SPOTS

#### SUGGESTED VIEWING SPOTS

(please see course guide for more details)

Hole 4: Spectators can view action on two holes while behind the No. 4 tee. There are views of the approach to the No. 3 green and the tee shot on the par-3 No. 4.

Hole 7: Behind the green, spectators can see down the No. 2 and No. 3 fairways, the No. 7 green, the No. 8 tee and the No. 17 fairway.

Hole 12: In the heart of Amen Corner, spectators behind the tee can see the approach shots to No. 11, the entire 12th hole, and tee shots and second shots on the par-5 No. 13.

Hole 16: A new viewing area (above) was created here thanks to a storm in July 2006 that took down several trees. The natural seating area allows patrons to see the green at Nos. 6, 15 and 16 and the tee shot at No. 17.

Hole 18: If you get a spot early behind the No. 18 green, you can see approach shots to the final green and have a view of several other holes.

#### **Practice Facility:**

You can watch as golfers prepare for their round.

#### **TIPS FROMS THE VETERANS**

#### TAKE A STAND:

The observation stands are great places to take in a lot of different holes. The ones at Amen Corner and around the 15th green/16th tee fill up guickly. Try the one behind the No. 8 green; you can see most of No. 8, the No. 9 tee and the first green.

#### SEEK THE HIGH GROUND:

Some credit Augusta National as being among golf's first "stadium" courses because of the hilly terrain. A lot of the natural slopes offer prime viewing perches. The area behind the seventh green lets you take in plenty of action on the surrounding holes.

#### GET OFF THE BEATEN PATH:

Because of their distance from the main entrance. Nos. 4 and 5 require some effort to reach. The hike is worth it. There are fewer patrons entering the gate near the fifth green, but concessions, restrooms and souvenirs are all a short distance away.

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*"They call it golf because all the"* other four-letter words were taken."

- Raymond Floyd

