

# HOLE BY HOLE DESCRIPTIONS

## The

# Old White



**Hole No. 1 First Par 4, 449 yards** A tee shot placed left of center will leave a clear view of the entire green. An approach from the right will require a carry over a deep bunker guarding the right side of the green, and a layup will be complicated by a crossbunker short of the green.



**Hole No. 2 Hog's Back (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 486 yards** A tee shot played over Howard's Creek and placed right of center near the fairway bunker will provide an ideal angle to attack any pin placement. Play safe left of center and the "Hog's Back" feature that runs the full length of the fairway and through the green, will have to be negotiated with the approach shot.



**Hole No. 3 Biarritz (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 3, 208 yards** A long straight tee shot with the proper club is the key to reaching the correct level of this large green that is split by the "Valley of Sin."



**Hole No. 4 Racetrack Par 4, 430 yards** The fastest way to the green is two straight shots. Start by navigating around two well-positioned bunkers off the tee. Deviate to either side of the green on your approach and a pair of greenside bunkers will have to be negotiated.



**Hole No. 5 Mounds (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 388 yards** A moderate to long tee shot placed right of center will leave an ideal angle to attack all hole locations. Play safe up the left side, and the "Mounds" strategy will become quickly evident.



**Hole No. 6 Lookout Par 4, 475 yards** Length and nerve are required to place a tee shot down the right side of this sloping fairway, while carefully avoiding the fairway bunker. Play safe down the left side, and two deep greenside bunkers will have to be negotiated.



**Hole No. 7 Plateau (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 436 yards** A tee shot placed left of center and hit the correct distance leaves the perfect angle to attack all hole locations on this "Plateau" green, surrounded by six greenside bunkers.



**Hole No. 8 Redan (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 3, 234 yards** This natural terrain allowed Macdonald to build the ideal Redan hole, modeled after the 15th at North Berwick, Scotland. A right to left running shot can find any pin location on this diabolical green. A miss to the left will bring the course's deepest bunker into play.



**Hole No. 9 Punchbowl (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 413 yards** A tee shot placed right of center provides the ideal angle to attack all hole locations on this "Punchbowl" green site. The safe play down the left side will leave a difficult approach over the very deep frontleft bunker. The cross bunker short of the green will add strategy to a layup shot.



**Hole No. 10 Principal's Nose (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 382 yards** A tee shot played to either side of the "Nose" will provide a clear view of the green. Play to the right and the pin can be attacked. Play left and the sloping green runs away from the line of play. Play straight, and the green is hidden by the "Principal's Nose."



**Hole No. 11 Meadow Par 4, 484 yards** Cut the corner with a tee shot over the sand on this long hole, and the reward is a shorter second shot with a clear view of the green. Play safe to the right and the hole becomes much longer and the two crossbunkers add deception to the approach, or complicates layup.



**Hole No. 12 Long (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 5, 570 yards** A tee shot that carries the crossbunker will yield the shortest route to the green, but yet another risk/reward decision. Play the safe route left of center, and be prepared to negotiate a fairway bunker and the creek that crosses the fairway from right to left. The putting green features a false front that will reject most shots landing there. The "Long" design concept is from the 14th on the Old Course, St. Andrews, Scotland.



**Hole No. 13 Alps (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 496 yards** A tee shot that is placed both long and left of center near Howard's Creek will provide an unobstructed view of the putting green. Cut the corner for a shorter approach shot and be prepared to negotiate the "Alps," whose concept is from the 17th at Old Prestwick, Scotland.



**Hole No. 14 Narrows (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 395 yards** A tee shot must be well positioned to avoid the right fairway bunker, while also giving the bold player an aggressive line up the left side. Club selection and skilled shot execution require boldness in order to stay on the small elevated green with its unforgiving false front. The design concept is from the 15th at Muirfield, Scotland.



**Hole No. 15 Eden (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 3, 229 yards** Fashioned after the 11th hole on the Old Course, St. Andrews, Scotland. The tee shot should stay under the hole, as the green slopes aggressively from back to front. Avoid the deep "Strath" pot bunker in front of the green, and the equally deep "Hill" bunker flanking the green on the left. A shot going long may find one of the two "Eden" bunkers.



**Hole No. 16 Cape (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 4, 421 yards** A dangerous driving hole with swan lake lurking on the right and a penalizing fairway bunker to the left. A safer tee shot played away from the water will leave a demanding approach avoiding a pair of greenside bunkers.



**Hole No. 17 Oaks (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 5, 615 yards** The tee shot provides a risk/reward strategy, like the Road Hole No. 17 at the Old Course, St. Andrews, Scotland. If placed right of center near Howard's Creek, long hitters may be able to reach this par 5. Play safe to the left and a strategic plan will be needed to negotiate the cleverly located fairway bunkers and the large Sahara bunker along the right side to reach the undulating green in regulation.



**Hole No. 18 Home (C.B. Macdonald Classic) Par 3, 179 yards** A short iron shot for most players, correct club selection followed by skilled execution will yield a par or birdie opportunity. The large menacing "horseshoe" ridge that dissects the green is intended to test a player's confidence on this final shot. Otherwise, a deft putting touch or exceptional sand play will be needed to salvage par.

## History of The Old White

Originally designed and constructed by Charles Blair Macdonald and Seth Raynor in 1914, The Old White was named for the well known Old White Hotel, which stood on the resort grounds from 1858 through 1922.

Macdonald, the father of American golf course architecture, modeled several holes from some of the most famous throughout Europe. The 8th Hole was styled after the "Redan" at North Berwick, the 13th after the "Alps" at Prestwick and the 15th after the "Eden" at St. Andrews. His associate, Seth Raynor, assisted in the course construction and returned in the 1920s to oversee updates to the golf course.

Through the years, the course has played host to legendary golfers like Sam Snead, Ben Hogan, Gary Player, Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Lee Trevino, as well as presidents and celebrities from the world of sports and entertainment.

From 2010 through 2019, The Old White hosted The Greenbrier Classic/A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier, an annual PGA TOUR FedEx Cup event. It was the oldest course on the PGA TOUR. Champions crowned at the event included, Stuart Appleby, Scott Stallings, Ted Potter Jr., Jonas Blixt, Angel Cabrera, Danny Lee, Xander Schauffele, Kevin Na and Joaquin Niemann. A who's who list of the best golfers in the world participated in the tournament, including Tom Watson, Nick Faldo, Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Dustin Johnson, Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas, Bubba Watson, Scottie Scheffler and many others.

After sustaining substantial damage from flood waters in June of 2016, forcing the cancellation of The Greenbrier Classic less than a month later, The Old White underwent a full restoration by noted golf course architect Keith Foster. By fully embracing the original Macdonald/Raynor elements, the course, which reopened in July of 2017, received great reviews from PGA TOUR pros and guests alike. Golf Digest named The Old White the Best Restoration of 2017. It was also named one of America's 100 Best Public Courses by that same publication.