

Cottonwood & Palo Verde Country Clubs

NEXT EXIT



JULY GOLF SCHEDULES

JULY PRO SHOP HOURS

Cottonwood

5:30am - 1:00pm Daily

Palo Verde

5:30am - 1:00pm Daily

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				 Shotguns		 Shotguns

Cottonwood

Shotguns Start 7:30am & 12:00pm

Tee Times Beginning 6:00am

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COTTONWOOD PALO VERDE GOLF NEWSLETTER

Celebrating America 250: Announcing Our Golf Flag & Photo Raffle Winners!

What a historic celebration! As our community joined together to commemorate the 250th American Independence anniversary, the energy across Cottonwood Palo Verde was truly unforgettable.

From our patriotic spirit on the greens to the wonderful memories captured across our neighborhood, thank you to everyone who participated in our holiday raffles. We are thrilled to announce the lucky winners!

250th Commemorative Golf Flag Raffle

Our commemorative 250th American Independence golf flags flew high across our courses throughout the holiday celebration. One fortunate homeowner was drawn as the winner to take home this unique, limited-edition piece of Cottonwood history:

Golf Flag Winners:

1 Orthen, Denise	19 Grube, Jim
2 Rosko, Teri	20 Bruno, Rich
3 Moser, Arve	21 Messier, Matt
4 Langston, Kathy	22 Bennett, Steve M
5 Kish, Sue	23 Cerimeli, Don
6 Alvarado, Ellen	24 Ballou, Bob
7 Jacob, Kelly	25 Crouch, Scott
8 Beaver, Ron	26 Erichsen, Deb
9 Miller, Rick	27 Gentzkow, Steve
10 Carr, Rob	28 Score, Bill & Diane
11 French, Jeff & Diane	29 Shouse, Mike
12 Zener, Shaun	30 Othick, Rena
13 Ramsey, Tim	31 Platt, Dave
14 Bosch, Joel	32 Mickelson, Leeanna
15 Balthrop, Craig	33 Moore, Bonnie
16 Schaedel, Bob	34 Prchal, Chuck
17 Vinje, Cliff	35 Torres, Bob
18 Hoeft, Teresa	36 Nelson, Jean

Claiming Your Prizes

All winners can pick up their prizes at Cottonwood Country Club during regular business hours.

Huge Summer Clearance Sale at the Golf Shops!

It's time to upgrade your golf bag and wardrobe without breaking the bank! Exclusively at Cottonwood and Palo Verde Country Clubs.

Whether you need high-performance apparel for the course or top-quality accessories to sharpen your game, we've marked down gear across the entire shop floor: Get up to 50% off sale items.

Shop Early for the Best Selection!

These savings are available only while supplies last. Clearance stock moves quickly, and once an item or size sells out, it won't be restocked at these prices.

Stop by the Cottonwood or Palo Verde Golf Shops to snag the best deals before they're gone!

SUMMER CLEARANCE SALE

- 50% OFF ALL Outerwear
- 35% OFF Men's/Ladies Shirts
- 35% OFF Selected Shoes
- 20% OFF Hats, Towels, Gloves, Bags, and Accessories!

Cottonwood Country Club

Golf Committee Meeting–Aug. 5 2:00pm | CLC Lecture Hall

The Golf Committee meeting is coming up Aug 5.

The Golf Committee addresses the needs and concerns of the golfing community, providing recommendations to the Board and Management regarding golf courses and pro shops. The committee meets monthly to discuss maintenance and project ideas, submitting suggestions to the Board and Facilities and Grounds Committee. Comprising nine members—one from each of the six golf associations and three members-at-large—this working committee expects active participation.

Meetings typically take place on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:00 PM.

Golden Hour, Great Golf, and Unforgettable Evenings

Looking for the ultimate mid-week date night or a fun evening out with friends? Experience the magic of Twilight Golf at both Cottonwood and Palo Verde Country Clubs!

Nothing beats wrapping up the day with 9 relaxing holes played under Arizona's stunning sunset skies, followed by a delicious, chef-curated dinner at our country club restaurants. It's the premier couples experience—combining great play, wonderful company, and incredible food into one perfect evening.

Weekly Schedule & Details

- Cottonwood Country Club: Every Wednesday
- Palo Verde Country Club: Every Thursday
- Tee Time: Golf starts at 4:00 PM, with dinner immediately following.

Exceptional Value

- Annual Golfers: \$10 per golfer
- Non-Annual Golfers: \$20 per golfer

(Note: Dinner and beverage expenses are billed separately at the restaurant).

Reserve Your Spot Today!

Because of the fantastic value and ideal setting, our signup lists fill up fast every single week! Don't miss out on this week's twilight play and dining experience—call the pro shops today to secure your spot on the list before tee times run out!

From Desert Dirt to Emerald Fairways: The Heart & Soul of Golf at Cottonwood Palo Verde

When you step out onto the first tee on a crisp Arizona morning, it's easy to take for granted the velvety green fairways stretching out toward the horizon. But long before our community was framed by tranquil lakes and mature trees, these grounds looked vastly different.

Through decades of vision, dedication, and deep community pride, Cottonwood Palo Verde evolved from simple dirt fields into two of the finest, most playable championship-style courses in the East Valley. Today, our 36 holes of golf aren't just a place to play—they are the vibrant, beating heart of our neighborhood, enjoyed nearly 365 days a year.

Behind every great round, pristine fairway, and smooth-running tournament is a passionate team working seamlessly behind the scenes—and a community of golfers who make it all worthwhile.

The Team Behind the Turf: Grounds & Maintenance

Long before the sun rises, our dedicated agronomy and maintenance crews are already hard at work. From meticulous moisture monitoring and seasonal overseeding to cup cutting and bunker raking, their tireless efforts keep both Cottonwood and Palo Verde in peak championship condition year-round. It takes specialized care, constant vigilance, and genuine pride in craftsmanship to maintain lush greens against the desert climate.

Keeping the Rhythm: Our Player Assistants & Pro Shop Staff

Once the morning light breaks, our friendly staff take over to keep the day running smoothly. Greeting players with warm smiles, keeping pace of play moving comfortably, and ensuring everyone enjoys a safe, welcoming round. Our staff keeps operations seamless, managing tee times, merchandise, and daily logistics with effortless professionalism.

Leading the Way: Jon Griglak, Director of Golf

Steering the entire golf operation is our Director of Golf, Jon Griglak. With a commitment to elevating player experiences, refining tournament programs, and fostering a welcoming culture for players of all skill levels, Jon's leadership keeps Cottonwood Palo Verde at the forefront of active adult community golf. Whether coordinating multi-day club championships or introducing fun new formats like...

Twilight Golf, Jon and his team ensure our program continues to thrive

The True Heart of the Game: You, Our Community

Ultimately, a golf course is only as vibrant as the people who play it. To our golfers—the early-bird morning leagues, the weekend couples, the charity tournament players, and the afternoon casual players—thank you.

Your passion for this timeless sport, your stewardship of the fairways, and your warm camaraderie are what truly transformed these grounds from desert fields into a world-class sanctuary. Because of your continued support and love for the game, Cottonwood Palo Verde remains a place where memories are made, friendships flourish, and every day is a great day to play a round.

Here's to many more sunny days, smooth putts, and great times on the green!

Did You Know? Surprising Facts About Golf in the Grand Canyon State

Whether you're playing 18 holes at sunrise or enjoying a sunset round, golf is an undeniable part of life here in Arizona. But beyond the emerald fairways and picturesque mountain views, our state's golf industry has a rich, fascinating history and an enormous impact on the local community!

Here are a few incredible facts about golf in the Valley of the Sun:

The Early Days Included "Oiled Sand" Greens

- Before modern irrigation transformed the desert, green grass was a luxury. Early Arizona golfers in the early 1900s didn't putt on grass; they played on oiled sand greens! Golfers used a heavy roller to smooth out a flat pathway on the dark, oiled dirt between their ball and the cup before putting.

A Massive \$6 Billion Economic Engine

- Golf isn't just a beloved pastime—it's a massive driver of Arizona's economy. According to industry reports, golf generates over \$6 billion in economic impact annually across the state, supporting more than 66,000 local jobs and attracting millions of visitors each year.

Efficiency First: Just 2% of Statewide Water Use

- Despite the lush green appearance of our fairways, Arizona's golf industry is a leader in water conservation technology. Golf course irrigation accounts for only 2% of daily...

... statewide water usage. The vast majority of courses—including active adult communities—utilize reclaimed, non-potable water and high-tech subterranean irrigation systems to keep turf healthy while protecting natural resources.

Over 300 Days of Sunshine

- Arizona is home to more than 300 golf courses statewide, making it one of the premier golf destinations in the world. Thanks to our desert climate, local golfers enjoy near-year-round playing conditions—allowing us to tee off almost 365 days a year!

Home to the Largest Sporting Event Crowd on Earth

- Arizona hosts the PGA Tour's WM Phoenix Open at TPC Scottsdale. Known as "The People's Open," it draws over 700,000 fans annually, making it the most attended golf tournament in the world—and raising tens of millions of dollars for local Arizona charities every single year.

From humble beginnings on desert dirt to world-class 36-hole communities like ours, golf continues to be one of the best ways to connect, stay active, and enjoy the beauty of Arizona!

Important Reminder: Resident ID Cards & After-Hours Golf Rules

To help us maintain a smooth, secure, and enjoyable playing experience for all residents, please keep the following guidelines in mind before heading out onto the fairways at Cottonwood and Palo Verde:

Carry Your Homeowner Identification

All golfers are required to carry and present their valid Homeowner ID card while on the course. Golfers without proper identification will be asked to leave the property.

If you do not have a valid annual golf pass, our course rangers are fully equipped to collect daily green fees directly on the course. For your convenience, we now accept credit and debit card payments right on the green!

After-Hours Golf Cart Rental

Planning a twilight or late afternoon round? If you need to rent a golf cart for after-hours play, please contact the appropriate pro shop before it closes for the day. This ensures our team has ample time to reserve and prepare a cart for your round.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in keeping our courses running smoothly! If you have any questions, please feel free to call either the Cottonwood or Palo Verde Pro Shop.

Cool Deals for a Hot Summer: 2026 Summer Golf Memberships

Whether you are a daily player or a weekend warrior, our 2026 Summer Golf Deals offer the best value for your game at both Cottonwood and Palo Verde.

Option 1: The Summer Combo Pass

UNLIMITED GOLF | \$649 For the golfer who can't get enough of the greens, the Summer Combo Pass is the ultimate choice. Pay one flat fee and enjoy unlimited golf with no green fees at both Cottonwood and Palo Verde courses for the entire summer season.

Option 2: The Summer Homeowner Player Card

SAVINGS & A FREE ROUND | \$99 Perfect for those who play occasionally but still want the "insider" rate. Your \$99 investment provides:

- 20% Off every round you play.
- One FREE Round of golf (must be redeemed by 10/31/2026).

The Important Details

- **Eligibility:** These offers are available exclusively to Homeowners in Phases 1, 2, and 3.
- **Validity:** Valid from May 1, 2026, through October 31, 2026.
- **Where to Buy:** Available for purchase at the Cottonwood Pro Shop and Palo Verde Pro Shop only.
- **The Fine Print:** Limit one per person; non-transferable and non-refundable. Please note there are no refunds or rebates for injury or illness, and all sales are final.

Ready to play? By signing up, you agree to uphold the guidelines in the Golf Information Booklet and the HOA Code of Conduct (BP 6-01). **Stop by either Pro Shop starting May 1st to secure your pass and make the most of your summer on the course!**



Problem on the Golf Course? Who Do I Call?

When you observe a violation such as someone using the golf course as a practice facility during the hours of 7am- 1pm, **please call the corresponding pro shop** depending on which course the problem exists.

Cottonwood Pro Shop: 480-895-9449

Palo Verde Pro Shop: 480-895-0300

If it's an EMERGENCY: Call 911 first

If there is a perceived violation on the golf course **after hours, please call Patrol at 480-895-9277**

Let's keep our courses the best in Sun Lakes. Thank you for your help!

Course & Community: A Friendly Reminder for Cart Drivers

See how you can help keep our community safe and neighbor-friendly

As many of us enjoy the convenience of traveling by golf cart, we kindly ask for your cooperation in keeping our community safe and neighbor-friendly. Whether you're heading to the first tee or navigating residential streets, please keep the following in mind:

Respect the "Rough": Be mindful of homeowners' property, private yards, and community landscaping. A small detour can cause lasting damage to delicate turf and plants.

Paws & Peace: Many of our residents have pets near the paths. Maintaining a safe, steady speed helps keep our furry neighbors calm and everyone safe.

Smart Parking: When stopping near homes or common areas, please ensure you are in a designated spot and not blocking access or encroaching on private lots.

Stay on Track: Stick to designated



paths to protect our shared spaces and maintain the tranquility of our neighborhoods.

A little extra awareness goes a long way in ensuring our community remains a beautiful and peaceful place to live and play.

Thank you for your courtesy!

[GOLF CART POLICY HERE](#)

Driving Range Policy

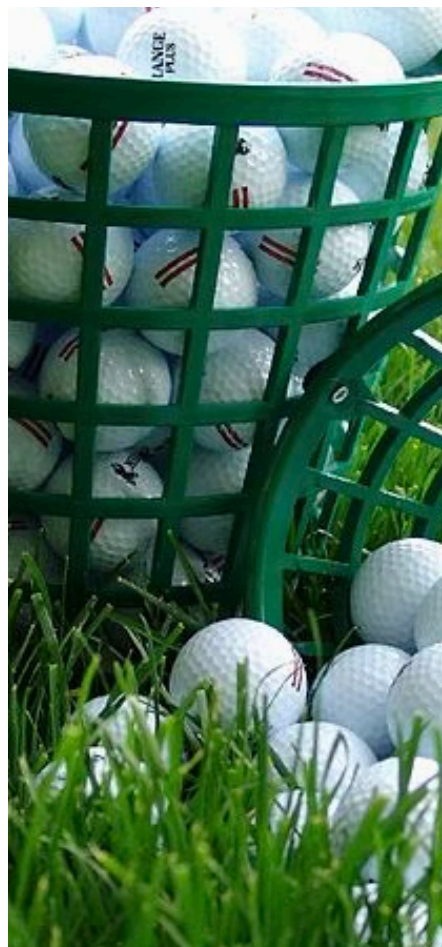
The Cottonwood Driving Range is available to use by all Sun Lakes homeowners and guests.

Tokens are available for sale in the Cottonwood Pro Shop.

The range closes early on Monday afternoon at 3pm for maintenance, otherwise it is open 7 days a week, from dawn until dusk.

All range patrons must adhere to the dress code.

Baskets and golf balls should NOT leave the range area under any circumstances.



[SEE FULL POLICY HERE](#)

"Turf Talk"—New on our Golf Courses

Want to know what's happening beneath the surface of our fairways? Stay ahead of the curve by tuning into Turf Talk, your digital source for all things agronomy.

Our Director of Agronomy, Scott Anderson, provides regular updates straight from the course. From insights on seasonal overseeding and green speeds to the science behind our bunker maintenance, "Turf Talk" gives you a behind-the-scenes look at how we keep our community's landscape in championship condition.

Don't be left in the rough! Access the latest updates online today and see what's in store for our greens this month.

[READ THE LATEST UPDATE ONLINE](#)



Golf Genius

SOFTWARE

Tee It Up with Golf Genius: Your Digital Caddie

Attention CWPV Golfers! Both Cottonwood and Palo Verde utilize Golf Genius for all **tournament and league play**. This platform handles the logistics so you can focus on finding the fairway, ensuring smooth starts and professional results on the links.

The Golf Genius Advantage

Live Leaderboards: Enjoy live on-course scoring via your smartphone. See exactly where you stand against the field in real-time.

Integrated Sign-Ups: Everything from registration to the final scorecard lives in one place.

Tailored for CWPV: The app is set up specifically for our local league rules and unique tournament formats

The Game Plan: How to Sign Up

To ensure a smooth "pace of play" for our league starts, please use the following steps for all upcoming rounds:

Get the App: Download Golf Genius from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

Check Your Inbox: You'll receive an email each week for the upcoming event.

To Join the Field: Click "Playing," verify your info, and hit "Sign Up."

Picking Your Team: If the format allows you to choose your partner or foursome, simply follow the prompts after selecting "Playing."

Sitting This One Out? Simply disregard the email or click "Not Playing."

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about using the app for your league play. See you on the green!

Missing Notifications? If you aren't receiving tee time email notifications, please contact either Golf Shop for assistance.

Multiple Properties? Read Below:

Use the Correct Name: Ensure you select the specific name/account tied to your current homeowner card.

Avoid Request Issues: Booking under the wrong name may result in your tee time request being denied.

Questions? Contact either Golf Shop for help.



Course & Community: A Friendly Reminder for ALL Golfers

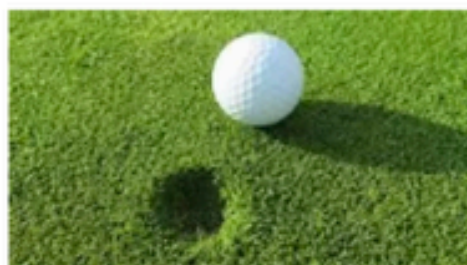
Learn how you can help keep our golf courses looking great and enjoyable for everyone

Fill divots throughout the entire golf course with exception of the Tee Boxes (Maintenance Staff will fill Tee Boxes)



Fix ball marks correctly

Click [here](#) to ensure you are fixing the correct way

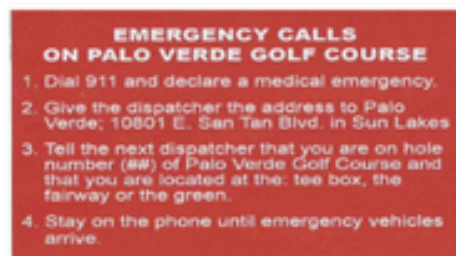


Correct Rake Position

once you have completed raking, please put the rake in the correct position



Stop by each Pro Shop to pick up your **Emergency Protocol Sticker**



- Please abide by the **90 degree cart rule** at all times (when not cart path only)
- Please keep up with the group in front of you - **No gaps**
- Head to the cart path before you pass the yellow stakes on all Par 4 and Par 5 holes - **Keep the green surrounds playable**
- **Play ready golf** at all times
- **Fix your ball marks** on the greens
- **Fill your divots** throughout the golf course

Get a Grip: Why Fresh Grips Matter for Your Game

In the world of golf, your hands are your only connection to the club. Over time, heat, dirt, and oils from your skin cause grips to oxidize and harden, leading to a loss of traction and performance. If your clubs are feeling slick or showing visible wear, it's time for a refresh.

The Benefits of Re-Gripping:

Improved Control: Fresh, tacky grips allow you to hold the club with less tension. This promotes a smoother swing tempo and prevents the club from twisting at impact.

Increased Distance: When you aren't worried about the club slipping, you can achieve better

clubhead speed and more consistent ball striking.

Reduced Hand Fatigue: New grips provide better shock absorption, which is easier on your joints—especially during those long practice sessions on the range.

Weather Readiness: High-quality modern grips are designed to maintain traction even in the humid Arizona heat, ensuring your "big stick" stays secure in your hands.

Pro Shop Service

Don't let a worn-out grip cost you strokes on the scorecard. Whether you need to refresh your entire set

or just want to stabilize your stroke with a new putter grip, we are here to help.

Visit either the Cottonwood or Palo Verde Pro Shops today! Our professional staff offers expert re-gripping services for all clubs, including putters, to get your gear back in championship form.





After-Hours Golf Information

With the golf pro shops closing earlier during the summer months, **homeowners are still welcome to use the golf courses after hours.**

Rangers will continue patrolling both courses during these times.

All golfers must be able to present a valid Homeowners Card or Phase II Guest Pass while on the course.

Golfers **without** proper identification **will be asked to leave** the property.

Rangers will also collect applicable green fees from any golfer who does not have a valid Annual Pass.

If you **plan to rent a golf cart for after-hours play**, please contact the appropriate golf course before the golf shop closes that day so arrangements can be made to reserve and prepare a cart for your use.

Cottonwood Clubhouse

Enjoy a perfect evening on the green with 9 holes of sunset golf followed by a delicious chef-curated dinner at Cottonwood Bar & Grill

TWILIGHT GOLF

WHEN

Wednesdays.

Golf begins 4:00pm

Dinner to follow at Cottonwood Restaurant

WHAT

There is no better way to end the day than with Cottonwood Twilight Golf, a premier couples' experience that combines a love for the game with the best of our community's social dining.

Designed for those who enjoy a relaxed yet spirited afternoon, Twilight Golf features a 9-hole shotgun start on the Cottonwood course. It's the perfect opportunity to enjoy the Arizona sunset, connect with neighbors, and sharpen your game in a low-pressure, friendly environment.

The experience doesn't end at the 9th green. After the round, participants gather at the Cottonwood Bar & Grill for a coordinated dinner, where the camaraderie continues over a delicious meal and drinks. Whether you are a seasoned golfer or just looking for a fun evening out with your partner, Cottonwood Twilight Golf offers the perfect balance of recreation and relaxation.

COST

Annual Golfers: \$10 per person

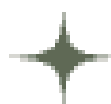
Non-Annual: \$20 per person

EXCLUSIVE TWILIGHT MENU



TWILIGHT GOLF MENU

COTTONWOOD BAR & GRILL



Cobb Salad | \$13.00

BACON, EGG, BLUE CHEESE, TOMATO, CHICKEN, AVOCADO, CHOICE OF DRESSING



Grilled Salmon Salad | \$16.00

BABY GREENS, ENGLISH CUCUMBER, CHERRY TOMATO, GRILLED EGGPLANT
BRUSCHETTA, SEASONAL BERRY VINAIGRETTE

Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad | \$12.00

ROMAINE HEARTS, SHAVED CROUTONS, PARMESAN, CAESAR DRESSING



Coconut Shrimp (8pc) | \$12.00

ASIAN SLAW, MANGO CURRY SAUCE, SCALLIONS, SESAME SEEDS



Chicken Quesadilla | \$13.00

CHICKEN OR SEASONED GROUND BEEF, PICO DE GALLO WITH CREMA/ CILANTRO



Chicken Wings | \$12.00 | \$18.00

BUFFALO, KOREAN BBQ OR GARLIC PARMESAN. SERVED W/ CELERY & CARROT STICKS,
HOUSE MADE BLEU CHEESE OR RANCH DRESSING

American Classic Burger | \$15.00

CRISP ICEBERG LETTUCE, VINE RIPENED TOMATO, RED ONION, PICKLE, TOASTED
BRIOCHE BUN, CHOICE OF SIDE



Rueben Sandwich | \$15.00

GRILLED RYE BREAD, CORNED BEEF, SWISS CHEESE, RUSSIAN DRESSING SAUERKRAUT,
CHOICE OF SIDE

Classic Turkey Club | \$15.00

TRIPLE STACKED, TOASTED BREAD, LETTUCE, TOMATO, SHAVED TURKEY, APPLEWOOD
BACON, MAYONNAISE, CHOICE OF SIDE

Chicken Tenders | \$11.00

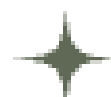
GOLDEN FRIED CHICKEN TENDERS SERVED WITH CHOICE OF SIDE & DIPPING SAUCE



Standard Hot Dog | \$9.00

DICED ONION, RELISH, KETCHUP, MUSTARD, CHOICE OF SIDE

Pasta Station | \$16.00



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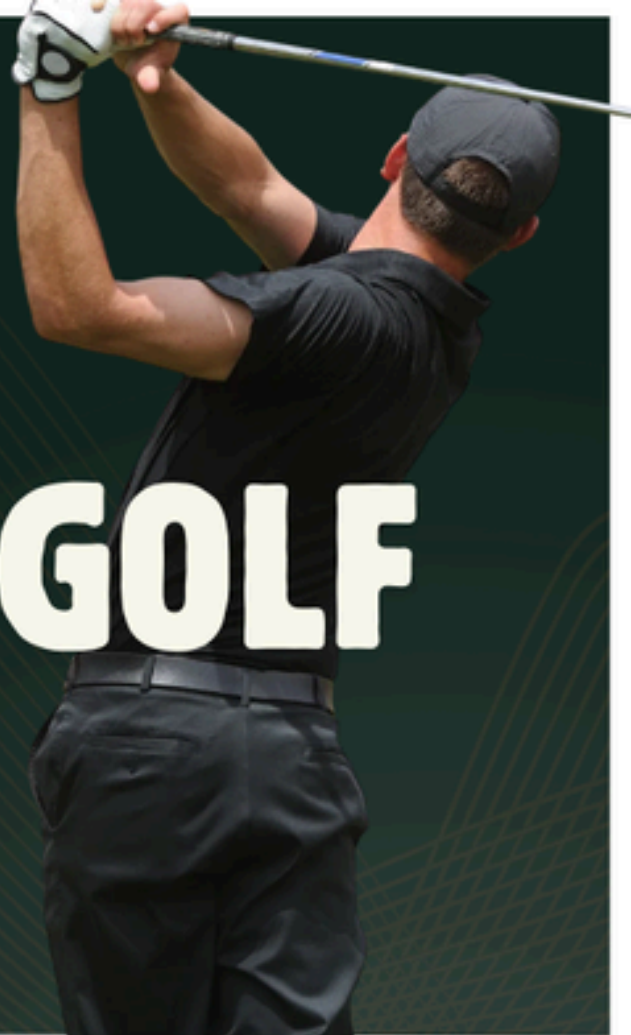
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TWILIGHT GOLF



Palo Verde Twilight

Pasta Action Station

Live action pasta station with salad and dessert \$20

Strawberry Salmon Salad GF

Salmon, strawberries, cucumbers, candied pecans, bleu cheese \$15/\$19

Crispy Chicken Salad

Crispy chicken breast, romaine, egg, bacon, cheese, tomato \$13/\$17

Prime Rib French Dip GFO

Shaved prime rib, provolone, horseradish aioli, toasted Italian roll \$16

Jewel Lettuce Shrimp Cocktail GFO

Poached shrimp, lemon aioli, avocado, green olive, tomato, butter-black pepper crouton, lettuce cup \$15

Palo Verde Burger GFO

½ pound black angus ground chuck, American cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle, burger sauce \$16

Golden Tempura Shrimp

Glass noodle salad, sweet & spicy peanut sauce \$15

Quesadilla de Lujo

Chihuahua cheese, caramelized onion, roasted bell pepper, seasoned ground beef or roasted chicken, crema, avocado salsa \$15

Chicken Wings

6 or 12 wings with your choice of dipping sauce \$13/\$20

Garden Cobb Salad GF

Roasted chicken, romaine, avocado, tomato, bacon, olives, egg, bleu cheese \$13/\$17

Fish & Chips

Beer battered Atlantic cod served with coleslaw, French fries & tartar sauce \$20

Fried Shrimp Basket

10 Beer battered shrimp, coleslaw, tartar sauce, cocktail sauce, French fries \$20

Chicken Tenders

Battered white meat chicken tenders served with French fries \$13

Soup du Jour

Cup or Bowl of Soup \$5/\$7

* Maricopa County Health Environmental Services Department warns consumption of raw under-cooked meats, chicken, seafood and eggs increases the risk of food borne illness.

*Can be cooked to order