

Playing Golf - Tenerife has nine golf courses



Playing golf in Tenerife is twice as special as elsewhere, the great weather conditions on the island mean you can play almost every day of the year and there are nine fantastic courses to play. One of these courses is on the nearby island of La Gomera offering top quality facilities in a stunning setting. Golfers can also enjoy spectacular views of Mount Teide which can be seen from some of the courses. On others they will be teeing off next to the Atlantic Ocean with the sound of the waves breaking in the background. Added to this there are no great distances to travel to get to the courses wherever you are on the island which means you can enjoy playing on every one of them, even during a short holiday.



Abama Golf. A unique game of golf awaits you at this exceptional 18-hole course, a genuine work of art created by Dave Thomas. Fabulous views of the sea and the island of La Gomera await you at all of the holes and you can improve your swing on the practice green (3 holes) or just sit and relax at the Club House. The golf course is unique, peppered with 22 lakes and over 90,000 palm trees. Facing the sea and situated in a very peaceful area in Guía de Isora, West Tenerife, the resort is ideal for a holiday with a difference in an unrivalled setting.



Located on striking cliffs and flanked by the impressive Teno Country Park, the Seve Ballesteros designed **Buenvista Golf** enjoys close proximity to the stunning coastline. On several of the greens it feels like you are hitting the ball into the ocean. In the first half, the most demanding holes are the par fours and in the second half the par threes require greater precision, particularly the 15th and the 17th holes, both on the edge of a cliff. large central lake in front of the Club House between the 9th and 18th holes and a waterfall are water obstacles that lend a fresh feel to this unusual course in North Tenerife. An enjoyable 18 holes and a Club House boasting superb panoramic views of the entire course.



Centro de **Golf Los Palos** is a nine hole, par 27 golf course and a luxuriant, colourful garden. Virtually on one level and featuring refreshing water obstacles of lakes and streams, it's perfect for beginners or for improving your short game. Designed by Integral Golf Design, José María Olazábal's company, it boasts a lovely terrace overlooking the entire golf course.



Golf Costa Adeje is surprising because it is superbly adapted to its surroundings. Pepe Gancedo designed an unusual layout respecting the old farm terraces that slope down to the sea framed by the original dry stone walls. With really beautiful views of the ocean, the island of La Gomera and the rugged Adeje mountains, this unique golf course features 27 holes on wide greens and obstacles such as gorges and lakes. The pleasant and spacious Club House has large terraces and a central courtyard. An unusual feature is the lift which takes you down to the driving range in your buggy.



Golf del Sur opened in 1987 with a professional golf tournament, the first of a history of sporting events. Pepe Gancedo designed the layout which was later modified by Manuel Pinero. Pinero enhanced all the natural protected areas that surround the 27 holes, between the ravine, highlighting the beautiful indigenous flowers; cacti, palm trees and other large colourful plants. The course is known for its difficult holes 3 (par 5) and 4 (par 4) on the northern part of the course. Its wide paths are flanked by an impressive ravine of coloured rocks where spectacular indigenous cacti grow with views of Mount Teide. The entrance onto the green for the second hole (par 3) is surrounded by a large bunker of black sand which requires a great deal of accuracy.



In the centre of **Playa de Las Américas**, one of the most famous holiday resorts in the south of the island, Golf Las Américas stands out for its fantastic location in a natural amphitheatre facing the sea with superb ocean views of the island of La Gomera. The designer, John Jacobs, gave priority to the obstacles on this 18 hole, par 72 course, which covers a total of 6,039 metres. The club house is an architectural gem with comfortable balconies offering excellent views of the golf course.



Real Club de Golf de Tenerife. Founded in 1932, this is the second oldest golf club in Spain and still preserves a typically British air of distinction. Situated at 600m above sea level it boasts 18 holes in undulating fairways that ascend with a spectacular view of Teide. The dry stream beds play a part in several holes. The 4th hole is one of the most difficult because you have to be on the green at the second stroke, as there are out of bounds to the left and drops to the right. Impressive old trees make it very pleasant and give some shade in parts of the round.



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Tecina Golf, La Gomera, just a 40 minute ferry ride from Tenerife, Donald Steel designed a striking 18-hole golf course perched on a cliff and overlooking the sea and Teide boasting impressive views. The native vegetation in the upper areas becomes more and more exuberant as the course slopes down to the sea until it reaches a beauty spot full of tropical and fruit trees. You have to drive the ball over a ravine to play one of the most spectacular holes, the 4th. Another hole with special features requiring precision play is the 337-metre 10th with the tee all of 45 metres above the level of the green.



Amarilla Golf. Right next to the ocean, the landscape designer Donald Steel created an 18-hole golf course overlooking the sea where you are sometimes obliged to drive the ball over the waves onto the next green. This is the case with the 5th hole, certainly one of the most spectacular on the course. Palm trees, cannas indicas, Canary pine trees and obstacles liven up your round of golf at this course, which also boasts fantastic views of Teide. The club has a pitch and putt course, a swimming pool and a horse riding club.