



Kierland Golf Club

PHOENIX / SCOTTSDALE,
ARIZONA

Site size: 216 acres Golf holes: 27

Clubhouse: 19,748 square feet

Opened: 1996 (temporary clubhouse) 2002 (resort clubhouse)

Sold: 2006

Designed by Scott Miller Design, Inc., of Scottsdale, Arizona, Kierland Golf Club features three nine-hole layouts served by a common clubhouse complex. The club's core layout provides the feeling of playing in a large park, similar to any of the Midwest's classic courses. The pro shop has been named among the "Top 100 Golf Shops in America" by *Golf World Business Magazine*. The club also is recognized among the "Top 100 Women Friendly Courses" by *Golf for Women* magazine.



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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Creating this award-winning golf course meant moving 1.3 million cubic yards of dirt to create a “sea of green” in the Arizona desert, but that effort was more than worth it. Kierland Golf Club’s 27 holes were honored in 1996 as *Golf Digest’s* Best New Public Golf Course and have been honored repeatedly by that magazine and *Condé Nast Traveler* as “best places to play” and a “Top 100 golf resort.”

Golfers may play any two of the three nine-hole courses for a combined round, and Kierland’s core layout offers the feeling of playing in a large park, similar to many of the Midwest’s classic courses.

Kierland Golf Club is part of Woodbine’s 730-acre Kierland community, which was created when Woodbine teamed with the Herberger Interests of Phoenix/Scottsdale to develop a site the Herberger family had owned since the 1950s.

The course opened in 1996 as a requirement of Woodbine’s sale of 444 acres to UDC Homes for Kierland’s initial residential development. Kierland Golf Club was incorporated into The Westin Kierland Resort & Spa at its opening in 2002. Woodbine developed a new, 19,748-square-foot clubhouse in conjunction with the resort project.

The clubhouse has one first prize in the Crittenden Competition in the Daily Fee Category in the United States, and its pro shop is repeatedly honored as a Top 100 golf shop by *Golf World*.

Woodbine served as developer and project, construction and asset manager on the golf club and was a managing general partner for the resort ownership group until the sale of the property to Host Hotels & Resorts in 2006.

ACCESSIBILITY

Within the 730-acre Kierland master-planned community in the famed Scottsdale Road resort corridor and bordered by Scottsdale Road to the east. Twenty of the 27 holes are north of Greenway Parkway, with the remaining seven holes south of the parkway.

FACILITIES

Holes	27	
Length	6,900 yards	
Par	72	
Total acres	216	
Clubhouse	19,748 square feet	
Retail space	Pro shop	1,800 square feet
Locker rooms	Men’s area	45 full-size lockers, 2 showers
	Women’s area	27 full-size lockers, 2 showers
Food & beverage outlets	Brittlebush Bar & Grill	105 seats + 60 terrace seats
	Edie’s Range House	50 seats, outdoor patio
Exterior function space	7,400 square feet	
	Marshall’s Pavilion	3,400 square feet
	Marshall’s Lawn	4,000 square feet
Parking spaces	135	
Tennis courts	2	

ORIGINAL PROJECT TEAM

CLUBHOUSE ARCHITECT	Nelsen Architects (now Nelsen Partners)	Scottsdale, Arizona
CLUBHOUSE CONTRACTOR	Sundt Construction Inc.	Tempe, Arizona
CLUBHOUSE INTERIOR DESIGNER	Nelson Henrich Interiors	Scottsdale, Arizona
DEVELOPER/ASSET MANAGER	Woodbine Development Corporation	Dallas
GOLF COURSE ARCHITECT	Scott Miller Golf Design	Scottsdale, Arizona
GOLF COURSE CONTRACTOR	Wheeler Construction, Inc.	Inverness, Florida
GOLF COURSE OPERATOR (original)	Marriott	Washington, D.C.
GOLF COURSE OPERATOR (current)	Troon Golf	Scottsdale, Arizona
HARDSCAPE ARCHITECT	Burton Associates (now Burton Landscape Architecture)	Solana Beach, California
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT	LVA Urban Design Studio LLC	Tempe, Arizona
LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR	Valley Rain Construction Company, Inc.	Tempe, Arizona
PROJECT/CONSTRUCTION MANAGER	Woodbine Southwest Corporation	Scottsdale, Arizona

PROJECT OWNERSHIP

1996-2006 — Joint venture among affiliates of Cook Inlet Region, Inc., of Anchorage, Alaska; the Herberger Interests of Phoenix/Scottsdale, Arizona; Starwood Hotels & Resorts of White Plains, New York; and Woodbine Development Corporation of Dallas, Texas.

Current — Host Hotels & Resorts, Inc. of Bethesda, Maryland