

Cape Fear National at Brunswick Forest Opens; Newest Course in the Region Draws Rave Reviews

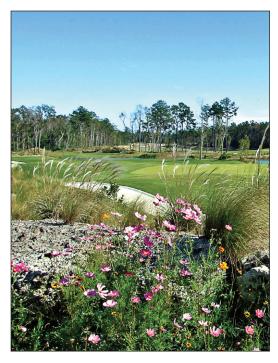
Cape Fear National®, the coastal South's newest golf course, recently opened for limited public play and many are already saying it is also one of the region's finest. Nestled inside the extraordinary community of Brunswick Forest just ten minutes from Historic Downtown Wilmington, NC, the first 18 holes of what will ultimately become 27-holes of risk and reward, challenge and beauty is a magnet for golfers captivated by the design and the extraordinary natural beauty of the course.

The layout winds through undulating layers of fairway and rough, sweeping past breathtaking expanses of cypress, pines, maples, oaks and magnolias. Visually striking with abundant water features, each hole has a unique personality, dazzling the eye and offering a challenge to players of every level.

"Cape Fear National is a challenging, visually stunning golf course designed to use the natural areas encompassing the golf course to enhance the course aesthetics," says Tim Cate, a golf course designer who has created some of the most notable courses in the coastal South over the past two decades. "This is a fun course to play and is aesthetically unmatched in the area."

A brand-new 7,000-square-foot clubhouse opening with the course offers a full-service golf shop, a grill and bar and indoor and outdoor dining. An events lawn adjacent to the clubhouse is available for a wide variety of functions. Catering, related food and beverage offerings, tournament and outings services and similar facilities are available on site.

"We are confident that Cape Fear National will be one the best courses in the region," says Jimmy Sloan, Brunswick Forest's director of operations, "and our fees reflect the quality of the course, along with the excellence of the entire golf experience. We offer superior playing conditions, first-class food and beverage offerings and genuine hospitality and service."





Rates at Cape National run from \$75 per round for non-residents to \$50 per round for property owners, with alternate pricing also available for groups and guests. Cart fees are included.

Brunswick Forest property owners receive exclusive privileges to the Brunswick Forest Annual Pass Program which is designed to offer the most cost-effective, value-oriented golf program possible without an upfront initiation fee.

The eventual long-term objective for Cape Fear National is to become a fully private club made up exclusively of Brunswick Forest property owners and their guests. The time frame of the transition to a private club structure is yet to be determined.

The opening of Cape Fear National marks the latest in a string of amenities already up and running at the community. Last year saw the launch of an 18,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art Fitness and Wellness Center, including an indoor pool, outdoor pool with wade-in entry, expansive sun deck and snack bar; six hard-surface tennis courts and pro shop; an aerobics studio; a cardiovascular equipment room; expansive men's and women's locker rooms with showers and saunas; meeting rooms; and a lounge and juice bar.

More recently the Community Commons on Low Country Boulevard in the heart of Brunswick Forest opened and is expected to become one of the community's more popular amenities. This unique facility features a glass enclosed,







cedar-sided meeting room featuring a masonry fireplace and kitchen, where cooking lectures and demonstrations will be held regularly, while a covered pavilion offers the perfect spot for picnics and outdoor enjoyment.

The Villages at Brunswick Forest, a 500,000-square-foot medical, professional and retail town center at the entrance to the community, has tenants that include New Hanover Regional Medical Center, BB&T Bank, Hampton Inn, CVS, Lowes Foods, Port City Java and a planned theater cinema complex. New Hanover Regional Medical Center is preparing to soon move into a 40,000-square-foot medical arts building providing a full range of physician and related health services.

A network of more than 100 miles of paths and trailways continues to grow throughout the community, along with parks and natural areas, while plans for the River Club, a fishing, kayaking and boating facility on Town Creek, continue to progress.

The parks in Brunswick Forest have attracted a large following, thanks in part to a free "Concerts in the Park," series the community hosted this past summer. Local bands including The Back Beat and The Four Knights played in Annsdale Park, an expansive lawn surrounded by a tree-lined oval walkway and dotted with park benches.

What typically was a favorite area for walks, picnics and Bocce turned into seas of more than 1,000 concert-goers for two magical summer nights. People came from both within the community and from the area at large armed with picnic baskets and dancing shoes, ready to shake and shimmy to classic rock, beach music and other tunes played under the stars.

"Brunswick Forest is not just about home sites and homes," said Jerry Helms, Brunswick Forest director of sales. "It's about community. People make friends quickly here, and neighbors are close. This is a wonderful place to live. That becomes more and more obvious every day that passes."

Having all these amenities in place may be part of the reason Brunswick Forest is the fastest growing community in the Coastal South. Sales at Brunswick Forest continue to set the pace, picking up from last year when nearly \$50 million in property was sold. According to Helms, the opening of Cape Fear National has already accelerated the sales pace and that is only expected to continue.

"Not only do we have a terrific selection of premier golf course home sites that will now open up," says Helms, "we also will soon have the opportunity to better showcase our community. Every golfer that plays Cape Fear National will drive through Brunswick Forest to get to the course. I'm confident every one of them will like what they see — and many will become property owners themselves."

Home sites at Brunswick Forest are priced from \$100,000; home and home site packages are priced from the mid-\$200,000. For more information on Brunswick Forest, visit the community's Welcome Center at 1007 Evangeline Drive, Leland, NC 28451 or call 910-371-2434; 1-888-371-2434 or go to www.brunswickforest.com.

For tee time information or to learn more about Cape Fear National at Brunswick Forest, call 888-342-3622; 910-342-2215 or go to www.capefearnational.com.





Cape Fear National At a Glance

Description Cape Fear National is a challenging, visually stunning course designed to use natural areas to enhance its extraordinary aesthetics. The first 18 of a planned 27-holes is open as a premium daily fee golf course with a limited number of annual passes available to Brunswick Forest property owners.

Location Cape Fear National is set inside the master-planned community of Brunswick Forest just 5.7 miles south of Historic Downtown Wilmington, NC on Highway U.S. Hwy. 17.

Layout The course features more than 1,500 linear feet of bridges, three separate waterfalls, several ponds, strategically placed rock walls, drive-through sand waste areas and beach bunkers that run into the ponds and over the 1.5 million cubic yards of earth that were moved to design Cape Fear National. The Cypress marsh also frames a number of holes on the back nine.

Numbers Par 72, 7,217 yards from the back tees with four sets of tees on every hole to accommodate golfers of all levels.

Architect Long time North Carolina resident Tim Cate has firmly established himself as one of the most respected names in golf course architecture. With more than 100 golf courses to his name he has created award-winning courses throughout the Carolinas; including Panther's Run, Tiger's Eye and Leopard's Chase all in Sunset Beach, Player's Club in Southport and Thistle Golf Club in Calabash.

Clubhouse The Cape Fear National clubhouse is open daily for lunch, with breakfast and dinner offered on selected days of the week. The clubhouse and adjacent events lawn will also be available for private parties and special events. It also features a 19th hole Grille and Bar area, indoor/outdoor dining, a golf shop and other amenities.

Golf Shop The expansive golf shop features a full-line of apparel and equipment by top manufacturers.

Practice Facility The practice facilities include a driving range with target greens, an expansive putting green and a variety of short game practice areas. PGA professional staff will offer private and group instruction and junior summer camps.

Golf Professional Director of Golf Ron E. Thomason will oversee the golf experience offered at Cape Fear National. He has almost 20 years of experience as a club and golf course executive and teaching pro throughout the southeast. A full complement of professional teaching, tournament, events and other related services will be offered.

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