

## Golf courses

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Mitchell Creek's layout includes two rugged par-five holes of 540 and 485 yards. Located at 2846 Three Mile Rd., 1.5 miles south of Munson Avenue in Traverse City. 941-5200.

#### KALKASKA

##### Grandview Golf Course

Opened in 1992, the 18-hole course plays to 6,400 yards. It features rolling hills and is located on Hagni Rd., off County Rd. 612, about five miles east of Kalkaska. 258-3244.

**Timber Wolf Golf Club** The area's newest championship golf course plays to 6,500 yards. Located six miles east of Kalkaska on M-72. 258-5685.

**Twin Birch** Twin Birch offers a

complete stop for the golfer: A driving range, putting green, complete pro shop, restaurant and an 18-hole course. Located one mile east of Kalkaska on County Rd. 612. 258-9691.

#### LEELANAU

**Dunes Golf Club** The Dunes provides a tough test for the average golfer. The 18-hole course is carved out of the Leelanau County countryside. The toughest hole is the sixth, a 469-yard par-four. Located 17 miles west of Traverse City on M-72. 326-5390.

##### King's Challenge Golf Club

Located 18 miles northwest of Traverse City. The Arnold Palmer Course features outstanding views of the Leelanau Peninsula. The 6,593-yard course has a par of 70 for men and 71 for women. 228-7400 or (888) 228-0121.

##### Leelanau Club at Bahle Farms

Features natural terrain and out-

standing views of the Leelanau Peninsula. The yardage is 6,651 from the back tees. Located on Otto Rd., three miles south of Suttons Bay. 271-2020.

**Leelanau Country Club** A private golf club with 18 holes that overlooks Lake Leelanau.

**Northport Point** A nine-hole private course near Northport.

##### Sleeping Bear Golf Club

Formerly the North Course at the Leelanau Country Club, the course is one of the area's longest at 6,800 yards from the championship tees. Call 228-7400 or (888) 228-0121.

**Veronica Valley** Located on County Rd. 641, five miles south of Lake Leelanau. 256-9449.

#### MANISTEE

**Arcadia Bluffs Golf Club** One of the most beautiful courses in northern Michigan. The 18-hole, par-72 course has no water hazards, making it look like a seaside course. 889-3001.

##### Bear Lake Golf Association

Even though the course isn't long, it demands precision shots. 864-3817.

**Chestnut Hills** This nine-hole course was designed by owner Doug Carter. It features fescue fairways. 864-2458.

**Manistee National** Formerly Cobi Golf Club, this resort features two 18-hole courses. 723-8874.

**Fawn Crest** Located 18 miles east of Manistee, this heavily wooded nine-hole executive course plays to 2,068 yards. 848-4174.

**Fox Hills** This nine-hole executive course plays to 2,340 yards. Located four miles south of Manistee. 723-3809.

**Manistee** A private course with limited public play overlooking Lake Michigan. The greens are small and the course slightly rolling. Plays to 6,031 yards from back tees. Located on Cherry Rd. in Manistee. 723-2509.

#### MISSAUKEE

**Missaukee Golf Course** This 18-hole course was established in 1970 and plays to 6,000 yards from the back tees. It is located at the corner of M-55 and M-66, six miles south of Lake City. 825-2756.

#### MONTMORENCY

**Elk Ridge** Located five miles north of Atlanta, this 18-hole course plays to 7,058 yards and has drawn rave reviews from *Golf Digest*. (800) 626-4ELK.

**Garland Fountains Course** The fourth Garland course and many say, the best. (800) 968-0042.

**Garland Monarch** The Monarch is 7,107 yards from the back tees and the ultimate test for the

best of golfers. (800) 968-0042.

**Garland Swampfire** Somewhat shorter than the Monarch (6,850 yards). (800) 968-0042.

**Garland Reflections** Has the unique combination of six each par-fives, par-fours and par-threes. (800) 968-0042.

**Garland West** The original Garland course, it's the only one you're allowed to walk. (800) 968-0042.

#### OTSEGO

**Gaylord Country Club** This is a semi-open course with gently rolling fairways. Greens are large and most have sand bunkers. Plays to 6,582 yards from back tees. Located 4.5 miles west of Gaylord on M-32. (989) 546-3376.

**Black Bear** The area's first 19-hole layout. Aware that most golfers arrive with little time to practice, designer Mark Sauger created the par-three practice first hole. (877) GOLF-175.

**Black Forest** The Black Forest course sits adjacent to the 18-hole course at Wilderness Valley. It's been nominated for best new course by *Golf Digest*. 585-7090.

**Green Trees Golf** A par-60 course that plays to 3,100 yards, it's located two miles west of Gaylord off M-32. (989) 732-6006.

**Marsh Ridge** Formerly Old Norden Hem Resort, Marsh Ridge opened in 1992. The course features rolling hills and marshy areas, with water hazards on 12 holes. Located five miles south of Gaylord on Old 27. (800) 743-PLAY.

**Michaywe, The Pines** The Pines is heavily bunkered, with well-separated fairways cut through pines and hardwood. Plays to 6,835 yards from back tees. (989) 939-8911.

**The Natural** Located on 150 acres at Beaver Creek Resort, The Natural was originally part of the Snow Valley Ski Resort in the 1920s. Jerry Matthews designed the picturesque layout. (989) 732-1785.

**Otsego Club, The Classic** Designed by William H. Diddel, The Classic became the founding course of the Gaylord Golf Mecca. The signature hole, no. 18, is a par-four measuring 310 yards from the back tees and offers panoramic views. (877) GOLF-175.

**Otsego Club, The Lake** Features beautiful views and water on 10 holes. Located on Opal Lake Rd., six miles south of Gaylord. (989) 732-5181 or (877) GOLF-175.

**Otsego Club, The Loon** This course is located between Marsh Ridge Resort and Michaywe' golf development on the south side of Gaylord. Call (989) 732-5181 or (877) GOLF-175.

##### Otsego Club, The Tribute

Designed by Rick Robbins and former PGA Tour player and NBC golf commentator Gary Koch.

**Rick Smith Tradition** This course is designed for walking and is built to National Audubon Society specifications. One of the best courses in northern Michigan. (800) 444-6711.

##### Robert Trent Jones Masterpiece

This challenging course at Sylvan Resort was designed by Robert Trent Jones. Treetops is six miles east of I-75 in Gaylord. (800) 444-6711.

##### Tom Fazio Premier Course

The course was designed by Tom Fazio, an internationally acclaimed golf course designer. (800) 444-6711.

##### Treetops Smith Signature

Designed by Treetops pro Rick Smith, it is already considered one of the finest in the area. The course opened seven summers ago and features big greens. (800) 444-6711.

**Threetops** A par-three course at Treetops. The holes range from 96 to 216 yards. It was designed by Treetops golf director Rick Smith. (800) 444-6711.

**Wilderness Valley** Features large greens and tree-lined fairways. The course is located 12 miles east of Mancelona along C-38. (989) 585-7090.

#### WEXFORD

**The Briar at Mesick** Nestled on rolling terrain with woods, streams and ponds. Located 26 miles south of Traverse City on M-115. It is 18 miles north of Cadillac and one mile east of Mesick. 885-1220.

**Bunker Hill Golf Club** This nine-hole layout features tree-lined fairways. It's scenic and challenging. 775-3330.

**Caberfae** Located in the heart of the Manistee National Forest. It plays to more than 7,000 yards. 862-3000.

**Cadillac** Located on M-55 in Cadillac, just west of M-115 junction. 775-9442.

**El Dorado** This course features wide fairways and big greens and is located just off U.S. 131.

**Emerald Vale Golf Club** Features a combination of links style holes with rolling terrain that weaves through pines, hardwoods and meadows. Located 35 minutes south of Traverse City. (800) 890-3407 or 824-3631.

**Lakewood on the Green** A scenic course, it is fairly short but challenging with tight fairways and slightly rolling greens. Located 2.5 miles west of M-115 on M-55. 775-4763.

**McGuires** There are two courses at McGuires. One is a nine-hole layout that plays to 2,792 yards. The other is 18 holes and plays to 6,443 yards. 775-9947.

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