

GOLF NEWS & NOTES

Master Your Game In Georgia

(NAPSA)—Long revered by golf enthusiasts as home of the Augusta National Golf Club and host of the Masters Tournament, Georgia is also home to many other challenging and picturesque courses and tournaments. Georgia's tournament calendar certainly keeps avid onlookers busy, but the state also features several golfing destinations offering first-class links for passionate players.

Among them:

With its serene vistas and flawless greens, **The General at Barnsley Gardens** in Adairsville is one of the most desirable and highly sought after courses to play in the Southeast. Opened in 1999, this par 72 course was designed by veteran course architect Jim Fazio.

The opportunities are limitless at **Callaway Gardens** in Pine Mountain. Golfers seeking a real test of their abilities look forward to playing the 7,057-yard, par 72 Mountain View course, designed by world famous golf architect Dick Wilson. Tight, tree-lined fairways are characteristic of this true championship course, home to the PGA Tour's Buick Challenge for more than a dozen years.

The Chateau Course at **Chateau Élan**, just minutes north of Atlanta, features contoured fairways, thick Bermuda roughs and strategically placed lakes and ponds. This 7,030-yard, par 71 course was built on 170 acres of the finest terrain, winding along



Among the Peach State's newest courses is this one at the Ritz-Carlton Lodge at Lake Oconee.

three lakes and two creeks.

The three courses at **Sea Island**—Plantation, Seaside and Retreat—are all distinctly beautiful, and each offers a unique experience.

In Georgia's Lake Country, **The Ritz-Carlton Lodge at Lake Oconee** offers 81 holes of championship golf designed by four of golf's best known architects: Rees Jones, Jack Nicklaus, Tom Fazio and Bob Cupp.

Augusta Golf & Gardens, the future home of the Golf Hall of Fame, encompasses approximately 17 acres on the banks of the Savannah River and includes eight acres of breathtaking gardens.

To learn more about the state's many golf offerings, including its eight state park golf courses, request a *Georgia On My Mind Golf Guide* by calling 1-800-VIS-ITGA or visiting www.georgia.org/tourism/golf.