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Middle Atlantic Section



Middle Atlantic Puntacana Four-Ball
The Westin Puntacana Resort & Club – www.PuntaCana.com
Dominican Republic
December 5 – 10, 2017

Frequently Asked Questions – revised 3-21-17

Is airfare included, do I need a passport, and do I have to fly into Puntacana airport (PUJ)?

Airfare is NOT included, but generally runs about \$500 roundtrip. You must have a valid passport. If you want VIP check in and included transfers to and from the airport, then yes, you must fly into PUJ. Otherwise you must provide your own airport transfers.

I know this is an “inclusive” trip, but I also know there are always some exclusions and fees. What are they?

Should I exchange money for Dominican dollars?

There is no need to exchange US dollars for Dominican dollars. There is a \$10 (paid with US dollars) Tourist Card you must purchase. Caddies are required on Corales and Punta Espada. Caddie fees should be paid in US dollars and are \$15-\$20 per player assuming a group of four riders (an additional gratuity for exceptional service is appropriate).

Alcoholic drinks are by the glass, so bottles (other than beer) are excluded. The room minibar is excluded, AS WELL AS ALL F&B AT PUNTA ESPADA. Tortuga Bay and La Yola Restaurants are an additional \$32 p/p and must be arranged by arrival. While gratuities are included, a small gratuity (either cash or on the room) of \$1-\$5 is appropriate after each meal or bar tab.

What is the format? What will the purse be and will I have to spend my winnings at the resort?

The format is 36 holes Four-Ball Stroke Play (Thursday's and Friday's round), gross and net (**80%**). Pros will play at scratch and there is no limit to the handicap differential between partners (a separate Rules sheet will be provided). Players may be on more than one team, but each extra team will require an additional \$400 payment for prizes.

We will have daily prizes all four days. We plan on giving amateur winners golf shop credit back at their home club (or club of choice). Professional winners will receive a prize check. Assuming we have 80 players, we anticipate total prizes of \$15,000 (\$10,000 overall, \$1250 on each day Wednesday-Saturday). We anticipate paying 40% of the field in the main event and 30% in the daily prizes with three net prizes for every gross prize (1st Net, 1st Gross, 2nd Net, 3rd Net, etc.). Visit MAPGA.com under Tournaments/Section to see a proposed list of payouts.

May I extend my stay? May I play additional golf?

You may arrive as early as Sun Dec 4 and leave as late as Mon Dec 11. Extra nights cost \$500 for double occupancy and \$600 for single and include golf on either La Cana or Corales for Dec 5 and/or Dec 10. Golf at

La Cana and Corales is available on the day of arrival after 2:30 for \$40 per person and \$250 per person, respectively. An additional round at Punta Espada is available for \$395, plus transportation.

What is there to do outside of golf?

The Westin has its own beach, there is an Ecological Reserve with 13 natural spring lagoons, a spa, a separate area of shops and restaurants, and a fitness center.

How do I register and pay?

Please call Jeremy Greiner, MAPGA Tournament Director, at 540-847-4706. He will review the trip details, answer any other questions, and process your payment.

A 50% deposit (e.g. \$1,500 per person) is due by Aug 1. All payments are refundable up until August 1. After August 1, refunds are likely, but not guaranteed. Full payment is due on Friday, October 27th. Refunds after that date are not impossible, but unlikely. Contact Jeremy for full information on cancellations and refunds.

May I bring along a non-playing guest?

Yes, guests are welcome. The price for a couple to share a room is \$4,800 per couple and the trip may be extended one day on either or both ends for an additional fee of \$700 per night.

What if I have other questions?

Contact Jeremy Greiner at 540-784-4706 or 703-304-6040 (cell) or JGreiner@pgahq.com

