
BEAR MOUNTAIN GOLF RESORT & SPA

Frequently Asked Questions

Q *What is the Mountain course like?*

Host of the 2010 Telus World Skins game this course is a must play. The green goes on forever. It is an 18-hole, 7,212 yard, par 72 course. Opened in August of 2003, the course takes full advantage of its setting atop a 1,100-foot mountain, the breathtaking views and the spectacular natural setting.

Q *Is the course too difficult for a beginner?*

No, the beauty of the Mountain golf course at Bear Mountain Golf Resort is that golfers can choose their level of play. There are five different tees that allow a golfer to select the course length and the level of difficulty.

Golden tees	7,212 yards
Grizzly tees	6,744 yards
Black Tees	6,345 yards
Spirit tees	5,783 yards
Cinnamon tees	5,014 yards

Q *What is the Valley course like?*

The Valley Course is more forgiving than the Mountain Course but still a true test of golf. The overall design of the courses uses the existing stunning natural features to create a setting immersed in nature. The course has forgiving fairways and large undulating greens.

Q *Can I play at Bear Mountain Golf Resort if I don't have a membership?*

Absolutely Bear Mountain is fully open to the public and with two courses to choose from we can accommodate almost all tee time requests. Call the Pro Shop at (250) 744-Bear (2327) to book.

Q *How much are green fees?*

In winter our rate is \$69 seven days a week. In summer our green fees are \$149 weekends and \$129 weekdays. We also offer popular specials such as twilight golf and Nine & Dine daily. Unlike the other golf courses on the island all of our green fees include power cart equipped with GPS and practice balls to warm up at our grass practice facility. We also offer special rates on groups of 12 or more and on popular specials such as Twilight golf and Nine & Dine daily.

Q *What is included with green fees?*

Green fees include cart with GPS, and pull-in bag drop at the welcome station where a member of the staff will take your clubs from your car and load them on to your cart. Club cleaning is also included as are range balls.

Q *Do I have to use a cart or can I walk the course?*

Power carts are free at Bear Mountain but if you do wish to walk the course we will offer walking as an option for 2011. Walking will be permitted weekday afternoons on the Mountain course for this coming season on a trial basis and we hope to expand on this option for future seasons.

Q *Is there a driving range?*

We have one of the finest practice facilities in the Province with five 10,000 square foot grass hitting decks. We are also currently building a bent grass putting green and chipping short game area for the 2011 season.

Q *Are lessons available?*

Yes.- The Bear Mountain Golf Academy is the home of John and Lori Randle who combined have won the PGA of BC Teacher of the year Award 3 times in the last ten years. The Academy's Golf School option is very popular as we are able to provide everything for a 3 to 5 day golf school; lessons, golf, food and beverage, and first class accommodations on site. Our Academy can tailor any type of program to help your game. For more details on our academy please visit www.bearmountain.ca or call the Golf Shop at (250)744-2327 and speak to a golf professional.

Q *How long can I expect 18 holes to take?*

Typical playing time is between four and one half to five hours. With the challenging nature of both our courses pace of play has been a problem in the past. We are in the process of revamping our pace of play and players assistant program for the coming season and using the tools we have that many other courses do not have such as our GPS pace of play tracking ability to ensure our goal pace is achieved.

Q *What is the dress code?*

A collared shirt and soft spikes are required. Jeans are not permitted on the course.

Q *Are rental clubs available?*

Yes, premium 2011 Nike rental clubs are available for rent.

Q *What is the 19th hole?*

The uniquely designed 19th hole is a unique "bonus hole", a par three with spectacular 360 degree view. The score on this hole does not affect your overall score.

ABOUT BEAR MOUNTAIN RESORT

Bear Mountain Resort, the premiere master-planned resort community on Vancouver Island, defines resort living. The only resort in Canada to feature 36 holes of Nicklaus Design golf, this lush mountainside community features a montage of residential and vacation real estate opportunities as well as The Westin Bear Mountain Golf Resort & Spa, Victoria. Santé Spa, where spa therapies inspired by natural elements await, a dining mecca with eclectic and world-class restaurants, the state-of-the-art Mountainside Athletic Club and The Village round out the complete lifestyle experience, all within minutes of the beautiful seaside harbour of Victoria, British Columbia. For more information, visit bearmountain.ca or call 1.888.533.BEAR.

