

Golf courses of the Sport & SPA Resort A-ROSA Scharmützelsee

The Resort

The 63-hole Golf Resort offers an ideal variety of golf courses and practice facilities, for handicaps of all levels. Three 18-hole courses designed by Nick Faldo, Arnold Palmer and Stanford Eby respectively and the Jake McEwan 9-hole par 3 courses invite Golfers from around the world to become part of this unique golfing experience. In Addition two driving ranges, numerous pitch, chip and putt facilities and the A-ROSA School of Golf, make this resort the ideal practice facility.

A-ROSA is determined to offer an approach to the game that includes not only the physical aspects of the game. Therefore certified instructors are on the grounds to give advice on healthy food and dietary habits to enhance one's well-being and endurance as well as offering seminars to increase a player's mental strength. Three golf-clubs are situated here: The Sporting Club Berlin, the A-ROSA Golf Club (Opening April 2006) an the GOFUS e.V.

The latest award recieved the resort in october 2008 within the „World Travel Awards“. The A-ROSA Scharmützelsee was decorated as „Germany`s Leading Golf Resort“.

In February 2008 Horst Rahe, chairman of the board of Arkona AG, received the Rheingolf Award “Golf Tourism in Germany 2008” for his engagement with the A-ROSA Scharmützelsee for the development of Golf tourism in Germany.

Short Preview

This place is the ideal destination for Golfers of all abilities. This one in a million location is defined by golf courses, which are designed as uniquely as the great names behind them.

Nick Faldo Course: 18-Hole Championship Course with a links course design. Host to the German Open, Amateur World Championship, Senior Tour und Ladies German Open.

Arnold Palmer Course: 18-Hole Championship Course with an American style Design. Vast Greens and rich, undulated fairways make this experience a true signature Course.

Stan Eby Course: 18-Hole Golf Course with invitingly wide fairways and spectacular bunkers protecting the greens. Many call this one Bad Saarow's best kept secret - inviting Golfers of all levels of skill to the challenge.

McEwan Kurzplatz: 9-Hole, Executive Course. A lovely reason for a short pre-dinner workout and a wonderful home for the beginning golfer.

Nick Faldo Course

The resort's three championship golf courses include Nick Faldo's only European design. It presents a delightful challenge to players with its undulating greens defended by no less than 135 pot bunkers. Nick Faldo personally came to visit his course and ensure its progress.

A 5-year plan was established just recently, resulting in re-designing and re-modulating the area between 4th and 5th fairway. This typical links course design brings real Scottish flair to the Brandenburg March (a region of pine forests and open horizons around Berlin), and is renowned as the most challenging in Germany. Tour events such as the German Open, European Senior Tour as well as the Amateur World Championship have been challenged by Faldo's dune-like fairways and lightning-fast greens.

Arnold Palmer Course

The second 18-hole championship course with its typical American design was built by the highest of standards. Generously sized greens and ever-changing fairways embedded, especially on the back nine, in the woods offer a quality second to none in Europe. The front nine holes mainly feature wide undulated fairways in the extensive hilly landscape of Brandenburg and strategically placed bunkers, protecting the greens. In contrast to this, the second half of this classic Arnold Palmer Design leads through vast pinewoods. Small ponds and brooks traverse the course and challenge golfers of all abilities to keep accuracy a priority. Golf Digest and GOLFmagazin have voted holes 10 through 18 the most beautiful back nine in Germany and the spectacular 11th par 3 (171 meters) ranks 1st in Germany.

Stan Eby Course

The Ladies German Open was chosen as the opening event of the resort's third golf course. Complementing the other two and situated at the top of the site, the Eby Course offers the best views in the resort. Distinguishing itself through an exciting combination of fairways with generous semi-rough, no penal rough areas, plenty of bunkers, challenging water hazards and greens requiring precise play. The use of greenside bunkers has been kept to a minimum, using the strong contour slopes as the strategy for approach shots to greens. With a par 71, the course maintains the high standards of the two existing courses, but is intended to provide a more "user-friendly" golf course for the mid to high handicaps, members and guests.

Jake McEwan Course

The 9-hole public course complements and completes the selection of golf courses for players of all abilities. With its Par 3's ranging from 113m to 161m (men's tees) the McEwan course offers an easy access to the game especially for the beginning golfer.

There are neither handicap nor membership requirements to play this course, designed by the resort's own head-greenkeeper, Jake McEwan.

5-star superior golf facilities

One of a kind; of the around 70 classified golf resorts, the Sport & SPA Resort A-ROSA Scharmützelsee received 5-star superior classification from the German Association of Golf Facilities. The award was bestowed at the Golf Europe trade fair in Munich on 8th October 2007. The German Association of Golf Facilities offered a classification system in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, which contained objectively measurable criteria, for the first time. Objectivity, transparency and a voluntary nature are further principles of the concept. The classification result is valid for three years when reclassification takes place.

A-ROSA Way of Golf

The chief area of expertise of the A-ROSA Golf School is its teaching method, the A-ROSA Way of Golf, which it developed itself. Here, conveying the joy of golf and an integral training concept are the focal point. Beginners are introduced to the golf swing in the golf school by means of well-known movement patterns, so as to enable speedy and intuitive learning and avoid complicated techniques. Even on the first day beginners get the complete golf experience on the course. Advanced players benefit from a coordinated offer of golf mind techniques, golf fitness, strategies and tactics.

A-ROSA Golf Club

The A-ROSA Golf Club (founded 21st April 2006, headquarters at A-ROSA Scharmützelsee) is a network for golfing experts and beginners, and is a respected recognised member of the German Golf Association. A-ROSA Golf Club allocates games entitlements and manages its members' handicaps. Its home course is the Stan Eby links. At the other courses on the resort members of A-ROSA Golf Club get relevant special conditions. Membership of the A-ROSA Golf Club costs 790.00 euros per year plus German Golf Association/LGV fee. This contains an A-ROSA voucher to the value of 200.00 euros, which can be redeemed in all A-ROSA resorts and on the A-ROSA river boats. The A-ROSA Golf Club also offers a membership for beginners. This includes an enrolment fee of 599.00 euros (incl. a voucher for a handicap course) and an annual contribution of 590.00 euros per year plus German Golf Association/LGV -fee. The basic package for a membership in the A-ROSA Golf Club costs 590.00 euros per year. In addition, each member can choose whether they want to book either a 200.00 euro voucher per year, redeemable in A-ROSA resorts, or if they want a golf course permit for 599.00 euros. The network of partner clubs, which have high quality golf facilities and at which a member can either play a certain number of rounds for free, or at a reduced green fee, means that the A-ROSA Golf Club is an interesting alternative for newcomers to golf and for people who travel a lot.

Interesting golf events for golfers of all abilities

All year round the Sport & SPA Resort A-ROSA Scharmützelsee hosts numerous golf events for players of all handicap classes, as well as sporting championship competitions. Highlights in 2007 were the A-ROSA Golf & Symphony and A-ROSA Golf & Gourmet events. Furthermore each month there is another event, such as the 3-in-1 golf tournament, where six of the best holes of an 18-hole course are combined in a tournament.

Golf and health

In the Sport & SPA Resort A-ROSA Scharmützelsee there is an emphasis on an integral sports concept and where emphasis is on the joy of playing and long-term improvement of your sporting performance. The 4,200 m² SPA-ROSA offers the ideal pre-requisites for this, the newly created area for sports diagnostics and preventative medicine provide medical guidance and food nutrition aspects in the Resort. Group courses, diagnostic and therapeutic offers have been specially developed for golfers, such as golf mind, golf fitness, aqua golf and a medical check for golfers. The objective of this is to improve handicaps and scores, and also to improve the quality of movements specific to this sport. This is achieved by recognising imbalances, deficiencies in power and restrictions in your movement using the very latest diagnostic machines and detailed video analysis of your golf swing, together with the golf instructor and the hotel's own doctor. Based on the results, an individual golf training programme is created. Sports physicians who hold doctorate degrees and performance athletes are in charge of the design of the golf and health services, which are integrated with top-class expertise from sports science and psychology sectors. Golf-specific training is carried out by both sports doctors Prof. Dr. Liesen and Dr. Herwegen. Both set up the Golf academy at the University of Paderborn along with Dr. Heiner Langenkamp, sports psychologist at the University of Bochum and advisor to the German ladies' national golf team. Specialist sports doctors carry out the programmes and perform natural healing procedures, as well as physiotherapists, sport and fitness trainers, masseurs who are well-versed in golf and the A-ROSA golf instructors of the resort's own golf school.