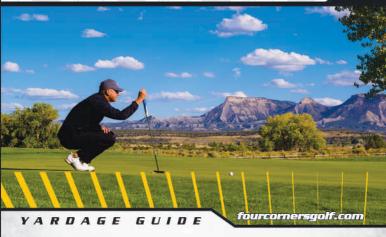




Where Mesa Verde meets the Greens









Conquistador Golf Club in Cortez, Colorado is a hidden gem of the Four Corners area and is located in the southwest corner of the state. Conquistador is an 18 hole par 72 championship golf course with rolling hills, large trees, water that comes into play on 8 holes, small undulating greens and panoramic views of the La Plata Mountains, Mesa Verde and the Ute Mountain.

With an elevation of 6,200 feet you can enjoy cool summer weather on a golf course that challenges any skill level.

Conquistador's friendly professional staff, affordable rates, beautiful panoramic views, and well maintained championship golf course is a destination you do not want to miss.





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Conquistador Golf Course

Putting is the downfall of many otherwise great golfers. One thing that commonly trips people up is the grain of the green. The grain refers to the direction that the grass is growing, generally towards the setting sun. Once you are on the green take a look at your ball and the surrounding grass.

Move in a circle around your ball until you notice the grass looks shinier or lighter behind your ball; this indicates you are looking in the direction of the grain.

When putting against the grain your ball will move an average of 25-50% slower; with the grain, that much faster; and across the grain (neither with or against but rather at an angle) your ball is likely to veer to the side regardless of the slope of the green. Although it may take some practice, learning the grain of a green before you putt is sure to take a stroke or two off your final score.





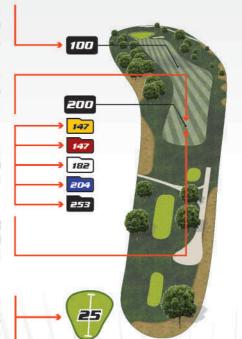
Distance from a point on the course to the center of the green.

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Distance from each tee box to a point on the course.

Your first shot should generally be aimed for this location.

The distance from the front to the back of the green.



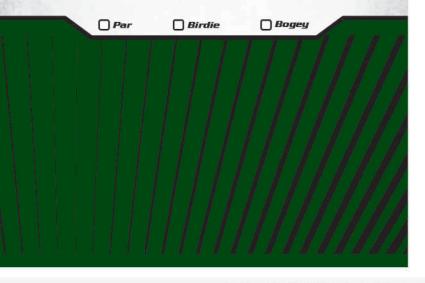
Before you start your next round of golf take a moment to look through this yardage book. Pay attention to the hazards, playing tips, and basic yardage information to help yourself get a feel for the course. When you go to play each hole review the playing tip for helpful hints.

Look for landmarks like trees, bunkers, or curves in the fairway to align your shots with and reference the yardage measurements as a tool to help you decide which clubs will be best to use.

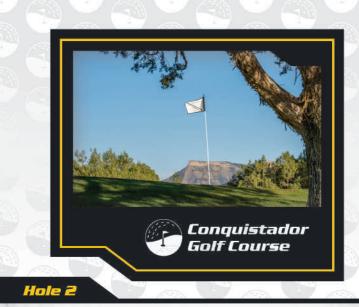
As you play the hole, you can make notes on the pages of this book for yourself. Next time you come to play our course, you will have a personalized guide to playing your best!



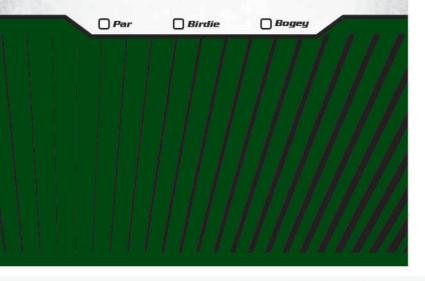
Although this par 5 is short in yardage it is by no means easy. The tee shot requires accuracy between the large Cottonwood trees. The green, protected by a small pond in front and a deep green side bunker on the right needs to be avoided.



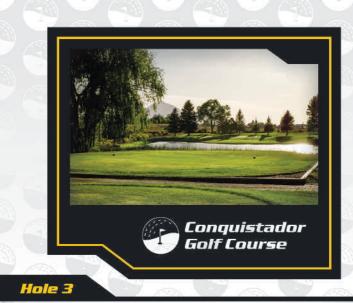




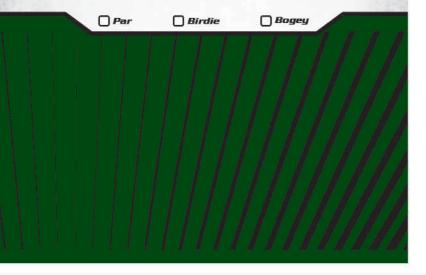
This long and straight par four has a fairway that slopes from left to right. Negotiate the tee shot and a player is faced with a slightly downhill second shot to an elevated green. Miss the green and you are faced with a very difficult par save.







This par three hole has a forced carry over water to a large green. Navigate the green and look back toward the tee and enjoy beautiful view of the La Plata Mountains.



















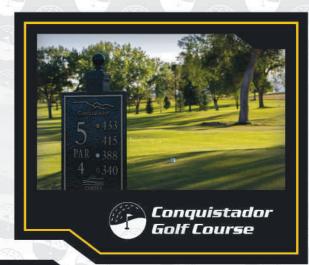


This par five is a staff favorite. Designed around large cottonwood trees this double dogleg hole requires a long and well positioned tee shot right side of the fairway. The player then has the option to risk a shot over the corner or play it safe and leave a short approach to the green. A well placed third shot under the hole will give you the best chance for a well earned birdie!



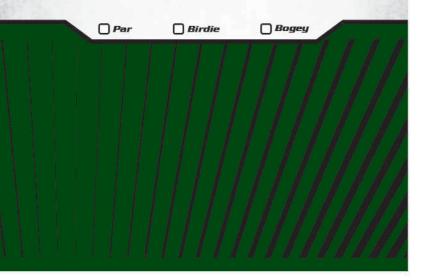






Hole 5

Possibly the most interesting hole on the course, as this dogleg left par 4 has plenty of visual stimulation with trees lining both sides of the fairway off the tee. Manage a straight and solid tee shot past the trees for an unobstructed approach to the most difficult and undulating putting surface on the course.

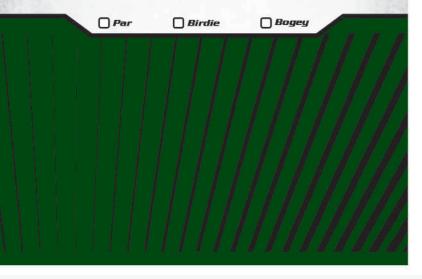








Step it up on this challenging sixth hole. This long dogleg right par 4 will give the best of players a test. A well struck tee ball down the left center of the fairway is a must. Second shot will be played from a downhill lie to a small green that slopes away from play.





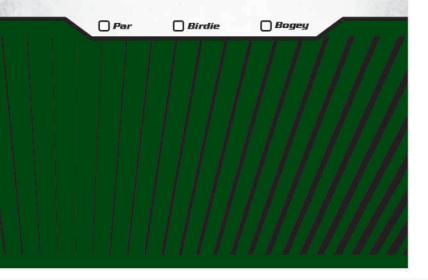








Although the seventh hole is a short par three that only plays 150 yards don't take it lightly. This narrow and undulated green is very difficult to navigate and proves it time and time again.











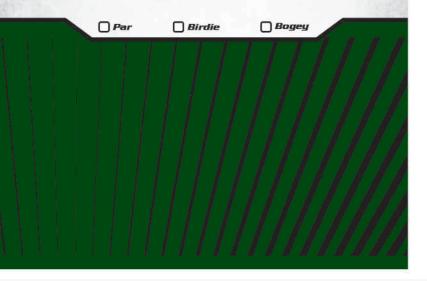




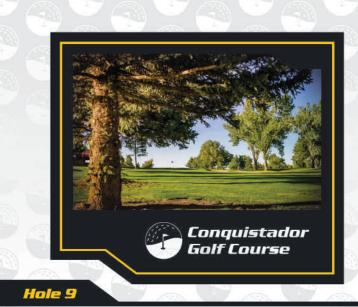




Another staff favorite is hole Eight. If the long hitter decides to get too aggressive off the tee on this short par four disaster can strike. With trees on the right and deep native rough left it is never a bad decision to lay back, play it safe and find the fairway. Once there you will play a fairly short downhill shot to a green protected by a front left bunker.



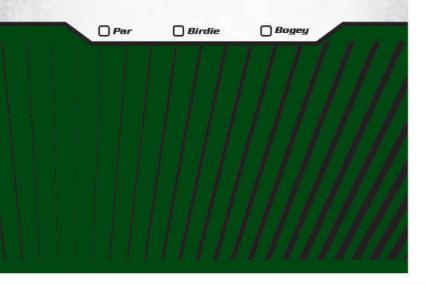




The finishing hole on the front nine is a downhill slight dogleg right par 4.

Note: (Be aware of the group in front of you as it is a blind shot off the tee).

This hole can yield to many pars and birdies but don't get too relaxed, miss the green long and expect a very difficult par save!

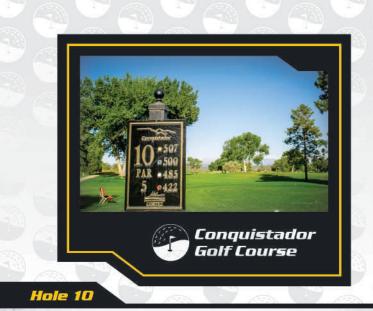








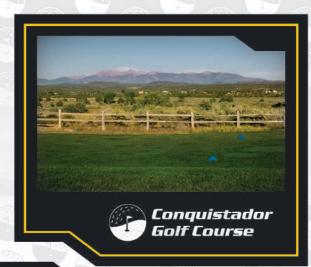




The back nine starts off with a short par 5 heading east toward the La Plata Mountains. The ideal tee shot is left center of the fairway as it slopes from left to right. Some of the longer hitters can go for this green in two but will be challenged by a water hazard short of the green and two greenside bunkers on the left. Find the green and a possible eagle awaits!

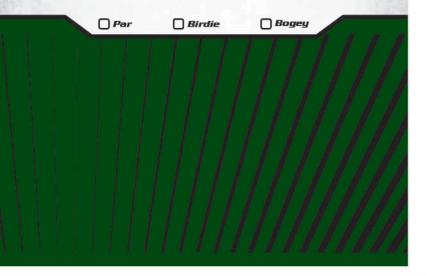






Hole 11

Demanding a well placed tee shot is the key to this short par 4. Stray too far to the right, you will find one of two lakes that run the entire length of the hole. Play a shot too far to the left and you have to contend with large Pines. Navigate the fairway, avoiding the greenside bunker will give you a great look at birdie.

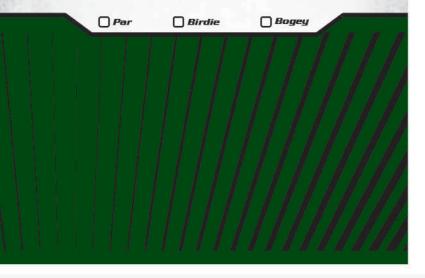








This par three demands proper club selection. Hit it short and you are forced with a difficult uphill chip shot. Go long, read the sign and feel fortunate you finished the hole with just a bogey.





















This midlength, dogleg right Par 4 will tempt longer hitters to try to cut the corner, but be aware there are a couple small ponds and an Elm tree that defend this hole. Finding the fairway is highest priority.

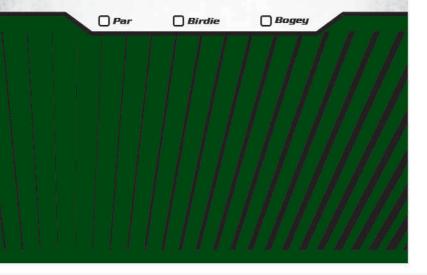






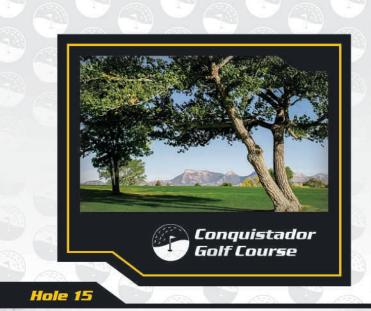


A solid drive, started toward the right side of the clubhouse you see in the distance is ideal. This will set up a good birdie opportunity to this elevated and receptive green.





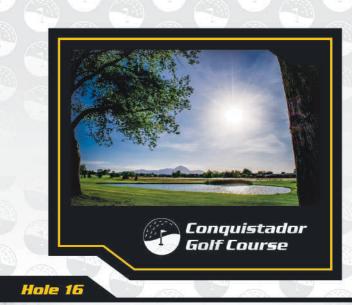




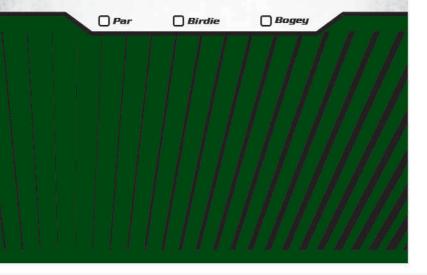
This great dogleg left Par 5 can be reached in two by the longer hitters, but large Cottonwood trees on the left side of the fairway at the corner and tall native grass to the right of the fairway will penalize wayward shots. Most will opt for the short approach onto the green. Just be aware of the ditch that crosses the fairway near the 150 yard marker.







This lengthy Par 3 requires an accurate tee shot, carry the lake, land on the green, roll in the putt or else you'll find yourself with a challenging par and the very rare par from left of the green.







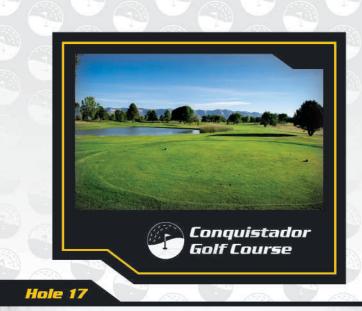












This manageable hole is straight away, but be careful to stay right of the large Cottonwood tree sitting on the left side of the fairway. The green's main defense is its two-tiered directional shape, but the front right greenside bunker is one to be avoided.







Usually into the prevailing wind, this slight dogleg left formidable closing hole has length and a challenging three tiered green that is protected by a deep front right bunker. Play the approach shot to the middle of the green, anything over and bogey will be the likely score.









- . Have a game plan on how you want to play the course.
- . Carry a spare ball or two.
- · Take no mulligan or practice shots.
- Decide what club you will need before you get to the ball.
- . Be prepared to play when it is your turn.
- . Make your practice swings while others are playing.
- . When out of the hole and heading for a triple-bogey, pick up.
- . Watch where you hit your own ball, so it can be found quickly.
- . Watch other putts to learn the speed and break on the greens.
- · Repair ball marks and divots while waiting for other players.
- . Mark your scores as you walk to the next tee.
- . Be conscious of the lost ball rule in looking for a lost ball.
- Putt when ready, don't wait for outside players.
- Forget honors, the first man on the tee should hit it.
- · Play when ready in fairway, even simultaneously.
- Shorter distance players hit first, when group ahead is out of range.

Front Nine Scorecard

Back Nine Scorecard

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
BLACK	499	458	224	568	433	469	179	410	440	3680	507	379	197	408	416	533	218	404	453	3515	7195
BLUE	489	434	203	540	415	430	168	387	387	3453	500	359	180	395	411	517	201	399	404	3366	6819
WHITE	479	405	168	510	388	403	150	369	375	3247	485	350	140	380	375	500	152	367	382	3131	6378
RED	411	379	111	438	340	373	130	355	362	2899	422	296	131	348	326	427	110	349	347	2756	5655
YELLOW	351	322	99	396	313	329	122	305	302	2539	382	235	125	308	293	412	105	309	320	2489	5028
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PAR	5	4	3	5	4	4	3	4	4	36	5	4	3	4	4	5	3	4	4	36	72