
DETAILS OF THE GOLF COURSE

Owner	Quinta da Marinha - Oitavos Dunes S.A
Course Name	Oitavos Dunes
Architect	Arthur Hills
Opening Date	1st of September 2001
Grass	Greens: Agrostis Stolonifera L 93 / Fairways e Tees: Bermuda 419
Holes	18
Par	71
Tee marks	
Men - White Tees - distance	6.303 meters
Course Rating	73,8
Slope Rating	134
Men - Yellow Tees - distance	5.809 meters
Course Rating	70,7
Slope Rating	128
Ladies - Blue Tees - distance	5.280 meters
Course Rating	73,8
Slope Rating	126
Ladies - Red Tees - distance	4.620 meters
Course Rating	69,2
Slope Rating	118
Softspikes requires	Yes
Hdc required	Men - 36 / ladies 36

DESCRIPTION OF ACCESS

If you are coming from Lisbon, take the A5 highway to Cascais. At the end of the highway, take the exit to Birre and continue straight until you reach a roundabout, then turn right. In the next roundabout continue straight, direction Areia. Keep going straight until you reach the roundabout of Areia and take the second exit. You'll find a second roundabout, you go straight. You keep going until the end of the street and turn left. Continue straight in this sea-road until you see the entrance to Oitavos Dunes (5km from the intersection), marked with white flags, on your left.

Coming from Cascais, take the 'Avenida 25 de Abril' from the city centre. At the gas station follow the road to the left until you get to a roundabout. At the roundabout turn right towards the Sintra-Guincho direction and continue straight in this sea-side road until you see the entrance to Oitavos Dunes (ca. 3 Km from the roundabout), marked with white flags, on your right.

CHARACTERIZATION OF THE GOLF COURSE

Oitavos Dunes lies within the Sintra-Cascais Natural Park. It is set among pine woods and reforested dunes in an area of great natural beauty. Being a seaside golf course, the ocean view is present all the time, although some of the more fantastic scenery come from the Sintra mountains and Cabo da Roca the Europe's most western point in Europe, seen from the 9, 10, 11 & 14 holes. The layout has been carefully crafted by one of the greatest golf architects of our times, ex-president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects, Arthur Hills. Hills has maintained and preserved the unique characteristics of the land, creating a 6.303 meter, par 71 golf course. The environmental certification was done in cooperation with Audubon International, an American environmental association. The sustainability of the resources is the prior objective, and because of that the flora and fauna peculiar to the region are strictly protected, being some areas closed to people and machines. Oitavos Dunes is the 1st Golf Course in Europe and the 2nd in the world being recognized as a Certified Signature Sanctuary - Gold. It is already set as one of the best golf courses in Europe, where a non stress round of golf can be played all year round.
