

# **GOLF BOOK**



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# ENJOY A WONDERFUL GOLF EXPERIENCE AT THE OLD MANOR HOTEL

### A warm welcome to the Old Manor's Golf Book.

Here in the Kingdom of Fife, we are simply blessed to be located in the midst of such beautiful countryside - and for the golfer, such a number and variety of great courses, from parkland municipal to top Championship courses, including perhaps the most famous of them all – The Old Course, St Andrews.

**Golf and the Old Manor Hotel** – here at the Old Manor, we have been involved with golfers and golf clubs for many years – indeed, we specialise in being able to put together a golf itinerary, whether for visitors looking for a bespoke package for a large society/ group, or simply a wee game on a local course to pass a sunny afternoon.

There are numerous golf courses close to the hotel, the wider area also boasts some of the most magnificent golf links and inland courses in Scotland, to suit all abilities and price range.

The Old Manor Hotel, with its renowned breathtaking views of Largo Bay and Lundin golf links, and central location in the East Neuk of Fife, is an excellent venue to host a golf trip. In addition to our 24 ensuite bedrooms, many with lovely sea views and balconies, we can offer dining in our Seaview Restaurant as well as private dining rooms.

Our well stocked cocktail bar (which includes a fine selection of malt whiskies and cocktails), comfy lounges, safe golf club storage, drying facilities, as well as friendly attentive service complete the package!





Recently refurbished luxurious four poster bedroom, provides stunning views over the Lundin Golf Course and beyond to the Firth of Forth. With a beautiful spacious bathroom, outdoor seating, lounge area and a fusion of traditional and contemporary design, this room is ideal for a couple's golf getaway.



### **Superior Double Suite**

Much like the four poster bedroom, this room offers a spacious relaxed environment. Complete with private balcony overlooking Lundin golf links, this room offers contemporary design with traditional touches and a blend of tasteful tartan textures throughout.



### **Emperor Suite**

Comfort does not get much better than this! With large spacious beds, crisp white linen the Emperor Suites are a popular choice for people looking to experience luxury and comfort. A lounge area allows for a beautiful view whilst enjoying a cup of tea or breakfast, without leaving the comfort of your room.



### **Twin/Double Suite**

With bold purple textured walls and olive green accents, this spacious room is the perfect twin room to relax in luxury and comfort after a rounds on the course, enjoying a pre-dinner drink on the balcony. In addition to the numerous golf courses close to the hotel, the wider area also boasts some of the most magnificent golf links and inland courses in Scotland, to suit all abilities and price range.... and after having a great day out on the course, the Old Manor has perfect facilities to help you relax, unwind, and talk about the day's play.

In addition to our ever-popular Seaview Restaurant, which serves an excellent choice of dishes using locally sourced ingredients, we can also offer (subject to availability) our Aithernie private dining room, which seats up to 20.

Finally, at the end of a long day, relax with a malt whisky from our excellent selection located in our cocktail bar ... and look forward to a hearty breakfast and the day's play ahead!

### Special 2 Day Summer Package April to October

Based on 2 people sharing a Standard Double or Twin Room (single supplements will apply) – or why not upgrade to a Sea View Room for an extra £25.00 per room per night?

Includes - one night Dinner, Bed & Full Breakfast, one night Bed & Full Breakfast, and three rounds of golf.

## Special 2 Day Winter Package November to March

Based on 2 people sharing a Standard Double or Twin Room (single supplements will apply) – or why not upgrade to a Sea View Room for an extra £25.00 per room per night?

Includes - one night Dinner, Bed & Full Breakfast, one night Bed & Full Breakfast, and two rounds of golf.

The above packages include use of all the hotel facilities, including - overnight drying room; safe storage for golf clubs/ equipment; private dining room (subject to availability). Please note, the above are examples of our golf offers, with each offer being tailor made to suit the courses requested, and requirements of each group; golf offers cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer.

A selection of local golf courses are as follows (subject to availability) - Lundin Golf Links, Leven Links, Elie, Crail, Ladybank, Scotscraig.

Contact - to enquire about any of our golf packages, to discuss a booking, or to make a reservation, please call - 01333 320368, or email: morag@theoldmanorhotel.co.uk



## **GOLF IN FIFE**

Golf has been played in the Kingdom of Fife for a very long time. Indeed, a student of St Andrews University - James Melville - made one of the earliest known references to golf in his diary in 1574. Melville's jottings stated that his father had given him "glub an' bals fur goff but nocht a purse fur catch pull and tavern..." - meaning that he was given "club and balls for golf but nothing for hand tennis or drinking in the pub". Such simplicity.

So what would Mr Melville think now, some 400 years later – golf is now big business worldwide, with Fife itself possessing an abundance of golf to suit players of all abilities and budgets, who travel from far and wide to experience and savour what we have to offer.

The world of golf is already familiar with the hallowed turf of the Old Course, St Andrews, and the many other fine courses dotted in and around the Auld Grey Toun, including the championship course along the road at Kingsbarns. However, golf in Fife is not just about St Andrews – far from it! Indeed, our experience suggests that visitors to Fife, whilst they may wish to savour and experience some time in St Andrews, increasingly are looking to sample the other quality links and parkland courses located in Fife and close to the Old Manor Hotel.

Overleaf are listed some of the best courses, most of which can be booked by us at fairly short notice, though these are but a few of the courses close by – there are many more, including Lundin Ladies (9 holes, and just along the road!), Elie, Charleton, Kirkcaldy, and numerous others. All are very welcoming for visitors.

For any enquiries relating to playing golf when in Fife, then please contact the hotel on 01333 320368, or morag@ theoldmanorhotel.co.uk

### **LEVEN LINKS**

Golf dates back to 1846 on these famous old links with the current configuration coming into being in 1909.The history of Leven Links is long and complex, and at one time the course extended over to Lundin Links - but what is most important is the nature of the ground upon which it is built. Local conditions of winds & tides during prehistoric times, when sea levels were falling, combined to produce a series of parallel dune ridges which give Leven Links a truly unique signature. With its humps, bumps, hollows and "wispy" rough it could be well used as the very definition of a true links course.



### LUNDIN GOLF COURSE, LUNDIN LINKS

A magnificent Old Tom Morris/James Braid designed golf course, dating to 1868. Like its (very!) near neighbour Leven, historically a qualifying course to The Open when played at St Andrews. A complex links course with open burns, an internal out of bounds (the old railway line), and strategic bunkering, Lundin presents a challenge for the thinking golfer where position from the tee rather than distance will yield just rewards on the card.



#### LADYBANK GOLF CLUB

Established in 1879. The architect of the original 6-hole course, Old Tom Morris, played in the Autumn Meeting that year as a 'stranger' and won despite his handicap of +3 strokes. In 1910 a circular 9 holes was formed with the holes varying in length from 330 to 400 yards with 'two short sporting' holes at the fourth and seventh. A further 9 holes were laid down in 1958 and incorporated within the existing course in 1961 to form the current 18 hole course. A very fine heathland course, graced by many golfing greats over the years, including Messrs Nicklaus, Langer, Woosnam & Ballesteros to name but a few..



### SCOTSCRAIG, TAYPORT

Golf was recorded as first being played over this land as far back as 1817, with the St Andrews Society of Golfers (which would become the R&A) with the current layout finally being established at the end of the 19th century (1888), having closed in 1835 when part of the land was ploughed up. Although not directly adjacent to the coastline, there are sea breezes to consider when playing this links/heathland mixture. Has hosted the Final Qualifying when The Open is played over St Andrews. As with all the courses listed, is very welcoming to visitors.



### **CRAIL GOLFING SOCIETY**

Boasting 2 fine courses, this is one of the most popular golfing destinations in Fife, with stunning views and fine links turf.

### **BALCOMIE LINKS**

Traditional links course laid out by the old master Tom Morris, and opened in 1895. Created in the days when course design was governed by the natural lie of the land and not the mechanical earth mover, producing a tough par of 69. Extraordinary holes abound, the sum total is a layout which both enchants and delights, but which also demands and punishes, testing all the skills in a golfer's armoury – as well as his nerve.



### CRAIGHEAD

Opened adjacent to Balcomie in 1998, achieved fame in the 2001 Guinness Book of Records for the most nationalities playing in an international tournament! This challenging, cliff-top course was designed by world-renowned architect Gil Hanse to provide golfers with a true test of their shot making skills in a links environment. Built in the style of a traditional links course - with no trees protecting golf shots from the wind – the course provides panoramic views of up to 100 miles, and protected Sites of Special Scientific Interest flanking the 13th and 14th holes, and a World War I pill box behind the 7th green, all in addition to serious golf.







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