

Following The "H"



The clubhouse and the Tom Fazio designed golf course.

HAMMOCK DUNES is a member owned and governed club. Amenities include Tom Fazio and Rees Jones designed courses; two clubhouses (the 34,000 square-foot oceanfront Links Clubhouse and the informal, more intimate Creek Clubhouse); two oceanfront croquet courts; two bocce courts; and five Har-Tru tennis courts.

Hammock Dunes has direct access to the beach, a diversity of golf courses, and a relaxed atmosphere.

PALM COAST, FLORIDA: (40 minutes south of Jacksonville): "No matter where you live in the country, water is a magical draw," explained Tom Fazio. "If you are from the Northeast, you refer to 'going to the shore.' In my home state of North Carolina, we say 'going to the beach.'"

"I'm often asked how many courses I've designed. I have never counted," continued Fazio. "It would make me feel old. Anytime I've had an opportunity to design a course in a oceanfront setting, my heartbeat would race. Sites with beach settings are a rarity.

"Hammock Dunes is a course you can't really appreciate until you see the layout in person. It's adjacent to a spectacular stretch of beach. The colors, topography of land, and movement of water allowed for dramatic design elements.

"I like to 'follow the H,'" stated Fazio. "I'm not referring to the 'H' in Hammock Dunes, but to where the high pressure systems are on the weather map. An 'H' typically means playing conditions will be clear and warm. Although Hammock Dunes provides a year-round golf climate, the 'H' is in control during their peak season [fall through the spring]. I imagine many Northerners are jealous when they see the forecast for Palm Coast in January is a high of 72 degrees."

Fazio pays special attention to the influence of prevailing ocean breezes. "During months when most members play, the prevailing wind is east to northeast. I took this into consideration during design. The fairways, greens, and bunker configuration were influenced by Mother Nature's natural air conditioning." ■



The Creek Course, with no real estate encroaching on the fairways, is *Old Florida* as it winds through a tropical hardwood forest and marshes.

For more information on membership opportunities at Hammock Dunes, please visit HammockDunesClub.com.

"MY CREEK COURSE IS AS MUCH OF A CHALLENGE AS YOU CAN HANDLE. IT IS A TRUE ESCAPE FROM THE TRAVAILS OF LIFE." – REES JONES

"THE OCEAN COURSE HAS BEEN A WINNER SINCE DAY ONE!" – TOM FAZIO