



16th hole at Port Royal Golf Course



Mid Ocean Club

The 19th Holes OF BERMUDA

Raise a glass to toast an international getaway that's about a two-hour flight from most East Coast airports.



HAMILTON, BERMUDA: A British colony since 1707, Bermuda is still a territory of the United Kingdom to this day. Many of its customs, from driving on the left side of the road to cricket being a popular sport, can be traced back to its English roots.

Interestingly, back in 1764, the Old Course at St. Andrews was the first club to mandate an 18-hole round (it was a 10-hole layout of which 8 holes were played twice). It took more than a century for other clubs to follow suit. Not long afterward, the tradition of visiting the "19th hole" to relieve the day became tradition.

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Located 650 miles east of North Carolina, Bermuda is an international getaway with a pleasant four-season climate.

With six courses, Bermuda has one of the highest concentrations of golf per square mile in the world. Two of the island's standout choices to play are Mid Ocean Club, a classic C.B. Macdonald design with surprising elevation change, and Port Royal Golf Course, ranked one of the world's best public courses with 13 ocean-view holes.

Dark 'n Stormy and Rum Swizzle are Bermuda's two *signature* cocktails. There is no better 19th hole than Bella Vista Bar & Grill at Port Royal Golf Course to enjoy a cocktail to discuss your success (or failure) on Port Royal's *signature* 16th hole requiring a deft shot over the Atlantic Ocean.

Fall marks spiny lobster season. Unlike its distant relative the Maine lobster, spiny lobsters have a harder shell and don't have claws meaning nearly all of the meat is found in the tail.

Through March, you'll find the island favorite in nearly every restaurant. One evening, plan a visit to Barracuda Grill and savor a delicacy prepared by Chef Derek Myers. End the night at its martini bar to enjoy a Hemingway Daiquiri, made with Gosling's Gold Rum, Bermuda's hometown liquor. ■



After golf, sit back and relax with a Dark 'n Stormy cocktail.



The start of spiny lobster season is a long awaited day on the calendar.

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