

# PGA TOUR Tested and Approved



Tortuga Bay at PuntaCana Resort & Club is the only AAA Five Diamond awarded hotel in The Dominican Republic.

*“Hosting the first PGA TOUR event in the Dominican Republic is an honor. It’s an affirmation of our golf facilities and we are thrilled to present ourselves on the international golf stage.”* – FRANK RAINIERI, CHAIRMAN & FOUNDER, GRUPO PUNTACANA

PUNTA CANA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC: Fifty years ago, partners Frank Rainieri and Theodore Kheel purchased 15,000 acres of Dominican jungle with the dream of establishing an unrivaled resort destination. Their hard work and tenacity paid dividends. What started as a dirt runway with a handful of beachfront shacks has matured into an worldwide vacation hot spot that now welcomes 10,000 vacationers *per day* with flights from 28 countries.

“We’ve held many grand openings with great fanfare,” explained Frank Elias Rainieri, COO of PuntaCana Resort & Club. “But, the opening of Corales Golf Course was particularly special. Our Tom Fazio design has six holes that play alongside the Caribbean’s natural cliffs, bays, and ocean coves. The inland holes are no second act, incorporating inland lakes and coralina rock quarries as hazards.”

## SAVE THE DATE

From March 25-31, 2019, the PGA TOUR returns to PuntaCana Resort & Club for the Corales Championship.

“Back in 1969, when my father walked this land, I don’t think in his most wildest ambitions we would host a PGA TOUR event with a \$3 million purse. It’s quite an extraordinary accomplishment,” said Frank Elias.

“Corales is a bold golf course,” said Tom Fazio. “It’s one of the few great courses in the world with a series of holes that play directly on the ocean. The stamina and nerves of some of the best players in the world will be tested during the Championship on Devil’s Elbow, the finishing three holes playing over the cliff-lined Bay of Corales.” ■

*For more information, please visit [puntacana.com](http://puntacana.com).*



**“CORALES is a second-shot golf course. Everybody’s in play off the tee and it comes down to a putting competition.”** – BRICE GARNETT, WINNER OF THE 2018 CORALES CHAMPIONSHIP AND OVER \$4 MILLION IN TOUR CAREER EARNINGS