

“LAS CAMPANAS is an unbelievably fun golfing experience. It’s very different from other private clubs in the Southwest. The community offers a well-rounded lifestyle with family and fitness at the forefront.”

— JACK NICKLAUS

An Exemplary Achievement

Las Campanas represents the best of high desert living.

SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO: Since its inception in 1991, Audubon International has been assisting golf courses in efforts to blend environmentally responsible agronomy practices into day-to-day operations. Becoming a “Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary” is no easy feat. Over 100 criteria, big and small, are evaluated to receive the prestigious award. Protecting existing natural habitats and maintaining at least 80 percent of landscaping with indigenous native plants are included in the rigorous assessment.

“Audubon certification for a golf course is similar to LEED building construction certification,” praised Tom Egelhoff, director of agronomy at Las Campanas. “The process of receiving Audubon certification four years ago was a journey. Our community has a very large footprint



Sunset Course

with 12 miles of cart paths and over 70 miles of water pipeline, but incredibly only 145 acres of irrigated turf!

“I know full well that our membership lauds our environmental stewardship, but still insist on expert playing conditions. It’s an expectation I don’t take lightly,” continued Egelhoff. “For example, along with walk mowing all 40 of our bent-grass greens we regularly measure our collars to maintain a consistent 36-inch width.”

AN EXTRAORDINARY SETTING

Las Campanas features two Jack Nicklaus Signature golf courses, an inviting hacienda clubhouse, a tennis pavilion, an industry leading fitness center with indoor/outdoor swimming pools, expansive dog park, and a highly acclaimed equestrian program with room to board 80 horses.

“The environment of Santa Fe is very livable,” said Egelhoff. “With a mild four-season climate, even on the hottest of summer days, I arrive at the club wearing a light jacket before the temperature warms nicely.” ■

For more information, please visit their website, TheClubAtLasCampanas.com.



Sunrise Course

“OUR TWO COURSES, built seven years apart, exhibit The Golden Bear’s changing architectural style. The Sunrise Course bunkers are deeper with sand flashed faces, while the Sunset Course bunkers typically have grass rolling over the top.”

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