IN THEIR OWN WORDS

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- ⁴⁴ If you parachuted me into Streamsong, and you gave me 75 guesses as to where I'm at in the world, my 73rd guess might be somewhere in Florida." TOM DOAK, DESIGNER OF STREAMSONG BLUE
- ⁴⁴Streamsong Red features the most unusual, interesting, and dramatic land forms we've ever encountered."
 BILL COORE, CO-DESIGNER OF STREAMSONG RED
- "The land almost feels alive." BEN CRENSHAW, CO-DESIGNER OF STREAMSONG RED
- ⁴⁴ The landscape at Streamsong Resort is simply like nothing we've experienced. It's one of the very best."
 GIL HANSE, DESIGNER OF STREAMSONG BLACK

Streamsong Blue, designed by Tom Doak, offers dramatic elevation changes and undulating fairways surrounded by massive bunkers rolling from towering sand dunes.

Streamsong Black, designed by Gil Hanse, is the newest course at the resort. Intensely challenging, you are faced with massive dunes, dramatic ridge lines, and sudden drops in elevation that hide an occasional, unexpected pothole bunker.





Streamsong Black's Bone Valley Tavern references the land's history that once was covered by sea water. It's common for caddies to stumble upon marine fossils and shark teeth while looking for a player's errant tee shot amid the sand dunes. The clubhouse has proved to be such a popular hangout that its recent expansion now includes an outdoor bar. "Half of golf is fun; the other half is putting." — <u>Peter Dobereiner</u>, author

New Mach 1 Greens Come to Streamsong Resort

STREAMSONG, FLORIDA: When Scottish golf was established more than four centuries ago, the game was played on the unimproved and unmaintained linksland, thus greens were not distinct from the rest of the golf course. Typically the entire course was referred to as "fairgreen."

Precisely when tee boxes, fairways, and rough became distinct areas from greens is debated, but it was a critical step in the evolution of the game. The earliest record of a person employed to care for a green is traced to a receipt of payment in 1744 to a man who was retained as "greenkeeper and caddy" by the Royal Burgess Golfing Society.

Greenkeeping was firmly established as a profession by the late 1800s, but crews were inexperienced and equipment was rudimentary. Most were farmhands, employed to be jack-of-all-trades repairmen, whose main golf course duties were to repair minor damage caused by animals and occasionally to change holes and tee markers.

In 1978, the USGA introduced the Stimpmeter, a device specifically designed to measure green speed. After testing hundreds of courses, the average green speed measured 6.5 (the higher the number, the faster greens roll). Today, the average green speed at a private club is around 11. To put in further perspective, the greens at Oakmont Country Club in Pennsylvania (where the Stimpmeter was first conceived) has some of the fastest greens in the world with readings of 13-15 and Augusta National averages 12.

Streamsong Red, designed by Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw, is set among striking landforms with rolling terrain, deep-water lakes, and stretches of wide-open savannah.

INTRODUCING MACH 1 GREENS

Site of a former phosphate mine, Streamsong Resort's 16,000 acres are punctuated with dramatic elevation changes, abundant lakes, and 15 million cubic yards of sand—a sharp contrast to the rest of Central Florida's relatively flat topography. In last year's "America's 100 Greatest Public Courses," *Golf Digest* ranked Streamsong Red No. 19, Streamsong Blue No. 24, and Streamsong Black No. 32 in its annual rankings.

Already considered one of the finest golf destinations in the world, Streamsong Resort continues to invest in the guest experience. Over the summer, Streamsong Blue and Streamsong Red were regrassed with Mach 1 Greens. With an ultrafine texture and hearty root structure, Mach 1 is known as one of the smoothest rolling, cleanest, fastest, and purest turfs in golf. The new grass is also both heat and drought tolerant, a perfect match for Central Florida's environment.

"Streamsong Resort is committed to preserving golf's great traditions while always looking to innovate," explained Richard Mogensen, general manager. "Our new Mach 1 Greens are a shining example of that commitment."

For information on seasonal golf packages, please visit StreamsongResort.com.