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Manele Golf Course (Photo courtesy of Four Seasons Lanai)

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5 GREAT WINTER GOLF DESTINATIONS

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KAUAI, HAWAII

The Garden Isle's scenery is so stunning that the quality of its golf perhaps gets overlooked. Kauai doesn't have one torchbearer to match Maui's Plantation Course, and punishing Princeville is going private. Still, the island offers great depth, variety and spectacular coastal golf settings. *Pictured: No. 16 at Poipu Bay Golf Course (Photo courtesy of Poipu Bay)*



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FLORIDA

We can't leave out the Sunshine State, even if its golf might be defined more by its quantity than its quality. Stick to the major cities – Miami, Orlando, Tampa. Good airports, plenty of respectable golf. *Pictured: No. 17 at Innisbrook's Copperhead Course (Photo courtesy of Innisbrook)*

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PUNTACANA, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

You can be on the first tee at Corales GC a half-hour after you land at Punta Cana International Airport. Even better, you can package in Punta Espada, the best course in the Caribbean. *Pictured: No. 18 at Puntacana's Corales GC (Photo courtesy of Puntacana)*



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SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.

I dig the desert. Always have. Scottsdale is easy to reach, has a ridiculous variety of quality courses, and offers great hotels and restaurants. What's not to love? *Pictured: No. 1 at Troon North's Pinnacle Course (Photo courtesy of Troon Golf)*

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CABO SAN LUCAS, MEXICO

Cabo could have sat still and arguably been the best winter golf destination in the Northern Hemisphere. So what did it do? In the past year, we've seen the opening of Tom Fazio's Chileno Bay, Tiger Woods' course at Diamante, and, most spectacularly, Jack Nicklaus' Quivira on the cliffs at the tip of the Baja Peninsula. In a word: Wow! *Pictured: No. 7 on Cabo del Sol's Ocean Course (Photo courtesy of Cabo del Sol)*

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