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WELCOME TO THE CENTARA WORLD MASTERS GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Welcome back! After a two-year hiatus, we're delighted to welcome you to the Kingdom of Thailand and the royal city of Hua Hin for the seventh installment of the Centara World Masters Golf Championship.

For Centara World Masters regulars, we can't wait to catch up again, and for first-timers, we're gearing up to share this truly special event with you.

Golfers have jetted in from around the world for Asia's biggest and richest tournament for club golfers. Once again Asia and Oceania are well represented, with many other countries adding to the events' international flavour.

Played across a range of age and handicap divisions, you'll compete against golfers of a similar age and standard. Prizes totaling US\$30,000 are up for grabs. We've also spiced up this year's event with a team championship, which will see the best five scores from your team counting each day, providing the chance to win prizes and bragging rights.

Across four rounds, play will take place at the world-class Banyan and Black Mountain courses, each respectively providing premium facilities, plenty of variety, an array of challenges and striking natural beauty. Complementing the round-by-round experience, Hua Hin's ever-smiling caddies, who rank among Asia's best, will proudly wear the caddie bib bearing your name and country.

Off-course, we've put together a lively schedule, bookended by the opening night welcome dinner and closing gala presentation dinner. Each night we'll gather at the Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin for the after-play 19th Hole festivities, including winner presentations and big-screen highlights of the golfing action, while you enjoy complimentary beer, wine and soft drinks. The culmination of the week's events is the closing presentation dinner, at which you'll be able to enjoy a delectable menu and dance the night away!

Hua Hin is one of Thailand's premier beach resort

getaways, and for non-golfing partners there are plenty of attractions to visit and activities to participate in. Whatever it is you're keen on doing, be it simply relaxing by the seaside, or doing a spot of shopping, our event staff will be on hand to provide recommendations and make bookings. Among Hua Hin's top attractions, the night market is well worth a visit, where you can handpick your ingredients and have one of the restaurants cook up a feast.

Centara Hotels & Resorts have been at the forefront of the World Masters success in Hua Hin, and we'd like to extend our sincere thanks to Centara, along with the Tourism Authority of Thailand, Chang, Coke and other partners who have made the event possible.

Lastly, take your time going through this program, and familiarize yourself with arrangements for event registration, golf bag concierge, transport, golf, functions and more. Our tournament staff will be on standby at all venues to provide advice and support as required.

We trust this year's Centara World Masters will have been worth the wait. Here's to an event that provides plenty of entertainment for all and lasting memories. Enjoy all the action both on and off the course!



Peter McCarthy
Managing Director, Go Golfing



Mark Siegel
Managing Director, Golfasian



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MESSAGE FROM THE CEO OF CENTARA HOTELS & RESORTS



A very warm welcome to Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin to all participants of the Centara World Masters Golf Championship 2022. Centara Hotels & Resorts is delighted to be hosting Asia's leading amateur golf tournament for the sixth year after an enforced two year hiatus, and we look forward to meeting a great number of new golfers as well as welcoming back the many familiar faces who attend the event year after year.

We are thrilled to be bringing so many people together and hope you not only enjoy fun, success and camaraderie out on the world-class courses of Hua Hin, but that you also have a week to remember off the course too. Much more than just a golf tournament, this week presents an opportunity for relaxation, activities and entertainment both at Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin, and in the town of Hua Hin and its surrounds.

At our iconic beach resort, as well as the opening party and closing dinner spectacles which start and end the week, and our usual renowned facilities including the award-winning Spa Cenvaree and our array of drinking and dining options, we've created a host of additional bespoke events and activities to keep you entertained throughout the week. We look forward to being your host for what is sure to be a memorable week. I take this opportunity to once again extend a heartfelt Centara welcome to you and wish you a truly memorable experience as the joy of travel returns.

Thirayuth Chirathivat
CEO, Centara Hotels & Resorts

About Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin

Originally known as the "Railway Hotel", the Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas Hua Hin first opened in the early 1920s, just as the cozy fishing village of Hua Hin was being discovered by the world via the opening of a new railway line to Malaysia. What was to become over time, Thailand's most refined beach resort was fortuitously graced by the newly-built Railway Hotel, which was designed to classic colonial lines. Now sympathetically restored and expanded to include all of the recreational and guest facilities that travelers expect from a beach resort, the Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas remains one of the 'grand old hotels' of the East, and accordingly, is a member of the prestigious Leading Hotels of the World marque.

About Centara Hotels & Resorts

Centara Hotels & Resorts is Thailand's leading hotel group, with 52 deluxe and first-class properties across Thailand, as well as 37 hotels and resorts in the Maldives, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Laos, China, Oman, Qatar and the UAE. Centara also operates 23 branches of Spa Cenvaree, an award-winning spa brand, together with 8 branches of the value brand 'Cense by Spa Cenvaree' and one Reserve Spa Cenvaree. The company's Kids' Clubs are available at all their family-friendly resorts. Centara also operates three state-of-the-art convention centres in Bangkok, as well as two in north-eastern Thailand. Find out more at www.centarahotelsresorts.com.



MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF TOURSIM AUTHORITY OF THAILAND



Welcome to the Kingdom of Thailand! The Tourism Authority of Thailand (TAT) is delighted to support and welcome everyone back to the 2022 Centara World Masters Golf Championship at our beautiful city of Hua Hin in the province of Prachuap Khiri Khan.

After months of strict travel restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Thailand is gearing up for a return to normalcy by easing some travel

restrictions and quarantine requirements and allowing tourists to enter the country.

This year, we are pleased to welcome almost 300 golfers from all over the world. As the venue for this year's tournament, Hua Hin has always attracted travellers with its unique culture, delicious food, sandy beaches, and wonderful world-class golf courses. As such, we are sure that you will enjoy everything that Hua Hin has to offer.

In addition, Hua Hin won the International Association of Golf Tour Operators (IAGTO)'s Award for Golf Destination of the Year in Asia

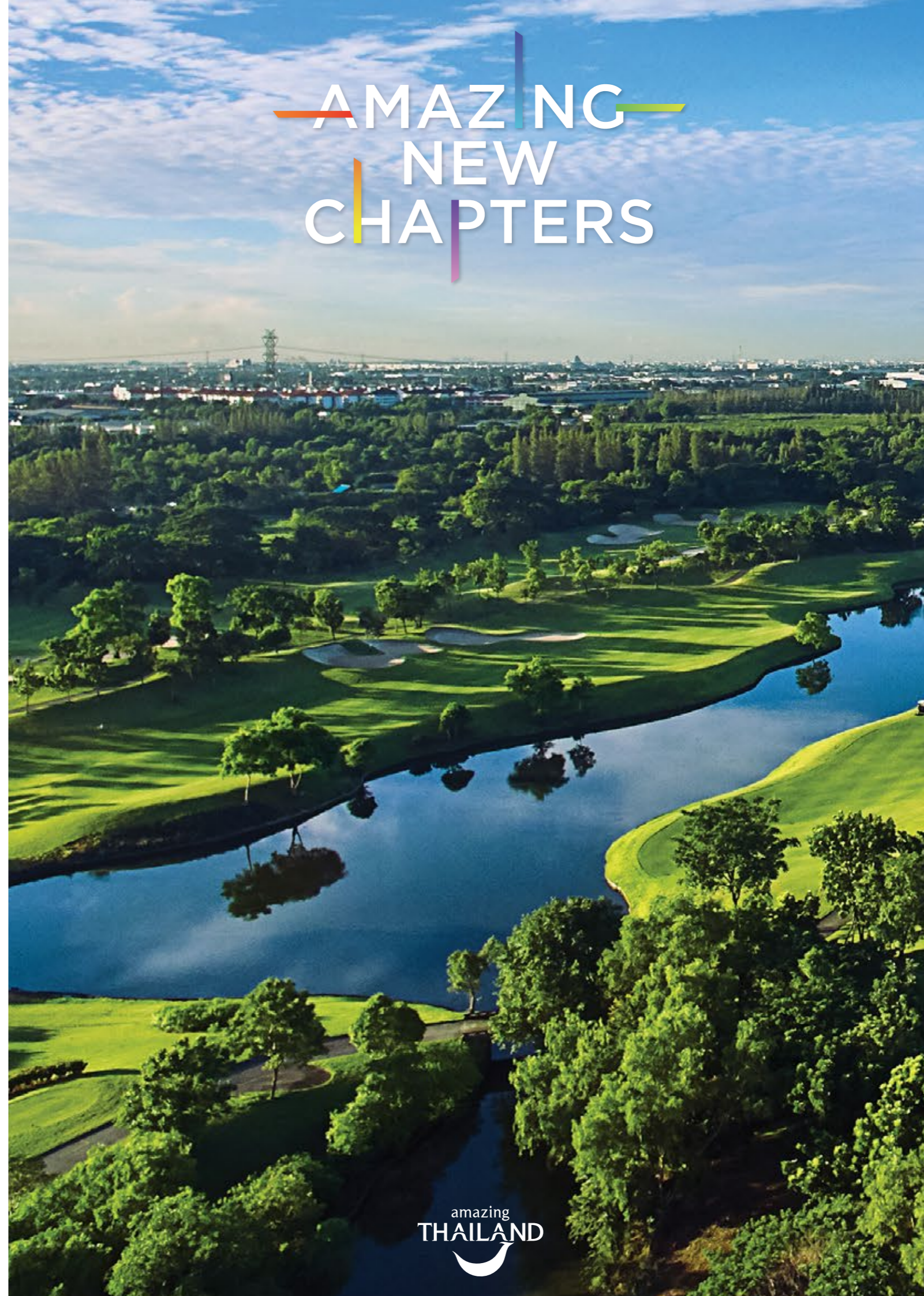
in 2018, which was voted by golf tour operators, who are IAGTO members.

On behalf of TAT, I wish you a wonderful eventful experience in Hua Hin and safe travels around Thailand. We hope you experience our amazing new chapters of Thailand and spread the word out to your family and friends that Thailand is now safe to travel.

Mr. Tanes Petsuwan
Deputy Governor for International Marketing Asia and South Pacific



AMAZING NEW CHAPTERS



EVENT ITINERARY

SUNDAY 8 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
12:00am - 7:00pm	Player arrival and registration	Centara - Colonial Hall
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Welcome Reception	Poolside, Centara Resort
MONDAY 9 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
6:15am or 11:00am departure	Round 1 Centara World Masters	Hotel Lobby, Centara (refer to draw for time)
7:30am	Floating Market Tour	Hotel Lobby, Centara
6:30pm - 7:30pm	19th Hole	Lobby Lawn, Centara Resort
TUESDAY 10 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
6:15am or 11:00am departure	Round 2 Centara World Masters	Hotel Lobby, Centara (refer to draw for time)
11:00am	Thai Cooking Class	Centara Railway Restaurant
6:30pm - 7:30pm	19th Hole	Lobby Lawn, Centara Resort
WEDNESDAY 11 MAY 2022	EVENTS - OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES	LOCATIONS
7:00am	River Kwai Tour	Hotel Lobby, Centara
THURSDAY 12 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
6:15am or 11:00am departure	Round 3 Centara World Masters	Hotel Lobby, Centara (refer to draw for time)
6:30pm - 7:30pm	19 Hole	Lobby Lawn, Centara Resort
FRIDAY 13 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
6:15am or 11:00am departure	Round 4 Centara World Masters	Hotel Lobby, Centara (refer to draw for time)
7:00pm - 10:00pm	Presentation Dinner	Poolside, Centara Resort
SATURDAY 14 MAY 2022	EVENTS	LOCATIONS
As per departure details	Departures (You will be advised of your transfer time)	Hotel Lobby

ARRIVAL DETAILS

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Airport Transfer Service

This service is only for those who have booked and confirmed their airport transfer.

Upon disembarkation from aircraft:

Proceed to Immigration for passport check.

After passport check:

Walk to the airlines' designated baggage carousel to collect all your belongings (don't forget your golf bags). Trolleys are available free of charge. After this, proceed through customs clearance (green channel).

After Customs:

Proceed to the public area of the arrival hall, turn right and walk to Gate 3 where a Golfasian representative will be waiting with a Centara World Masters sign. Look for this logo:



VIP FAST TRACK

If you have booked VIP Fast Track, an airport representative will be waiting for you with your name on a sign at the gate right after you disembark the aircraft. Follow the airport rep to immigration.

GOLF TRANSFERS

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This service is exclusively for golfers who have booked accommodation at Centara & Hilton. Please check your schedule and start times provided and make sure you catch the right bus each day.

Be ready outside lobby at Centara 5 minutes before the scheduled departure times. If you miss the bus, you will need to make your own way to the golf course at your own expense.

Separate buses with signage will identify which course they are going to each day. Courses change daily. Our staff will help direct you to the right bus.

Morning Fields

6:15am.....All days from Lobby (Centara)
1:15pm.....Return transfer: from Golf Clubs to Hotel (Centara)

Afternoon Fields

11:00am All days from Lobby (Centara)
5:30pm Return transfer: from Golf Club to Hotel (Centara)

Note: Breakfast available at Centara from 5.30am each day.

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TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION & GOLF CLUB CONCIERGE

DATE & TIME:

Sunday 8 May 2022 | 12:00am – 7.00pm

LOCATION:

Centara Colonial Hall

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:

At tournament registration you will be advised of your handicap index. Your daily handicap will be printed on your scorecard for each round.

You will receive at registration

- Name tag – your ticket into all tournament functions
- Tournament draws
- Official Player Program
- Souvenir tournament golf shirt & caddie bib
- Information on local offers and discounts
- Accompanying person's package (if applicable)

UNABLE TO ATTEND SUNDAY REGISTRATION?

You will be permitted to have another entrant register for you. Alternatively you can register at your Monday course.

GOLF CLUB CONCIERGE

For your convenience we provide a concierge service for your golf clubs. We will transfer your golf bag from course to course so your clubs will be on your cart ready for play each day. Please assist us by following these simple procedures:

- On Sunday May 8, event staff will collect your golf clubs upon arrival at your hotel.
- Please remove your travel cover, valuables and any items you require before your round on Monday.
- Event staff will affix your bag identification tag to the carry handle of your golf bag. Your golf clubs will be on your cart ready for play each day.
- Early arrivals, those arranging their own transportation to Hua Hin and local entrants, please bring your golf clubs with you to tournament registration on Sunday June 9.

PLAYING GOLF ON WEDNESDAY 11 MAY?

If you intend playing golf on Wednesday, please take your clubs with you after your Tuesday round and bring back with you on Thursday.

GOLF BAG TAG & NAME TAG



NAME TAG
PLEASE WEAR
FOR ENTRY TO ALL
FUNCTIONS.



BAG LABEL
PLEASE ENSURE THIS IS AFFIXED
TO CARRY HANDLE OF GOLF BAG
BEFORE FIRST ROUND.

WELCOME RECEPTION

CENTARA WORLD MASTERS

Welcome Reception
Sunday 8 May
7:00pm - 9:00pm

VENUE: Centara Resort Poolside
ENTRY: Lanyard or Ticket Only
DRESS: Smart Casual Attire

Join us poolside at Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas and catch up with golfing friends – old and new. Enjoy the celebrations and complimentary beer, wine and soft drinks.

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19TH HOLE

CENTARA WORLD MASTERS

19th Hole
Mon, Tue, Thu
6:30pm - 7:30pm

VENUE: Centara Resort Lobby/Lawn
ENTRY: Lanyard or Ticket Only
DRESS: Smart Casual Attire

Centara Grand Beach Resort and Villas will be the host to the 19th hole festivities to be held on the Lobby lawn. Enjoy a beer courtesy of Chang to keep you cool, while you receive an update on the day's play, prize winners and leader board results.

Monday 9 May
6.30pm – 7.30pm
Centara – Lobby Lawn

Tuesday 10 May
6.30pm – 7.30pm
Centara – Lobby Lawn

Thursday 12 May
6.30pm – 7.30pm
Centara – Lobby Lawn



PRESENTATION DINNER

CENTARA WORLD MASTERS

Gala Dinner
Friday 13 May
7.00pm – 10.00pm

VENUE: Centara Resort Poolside
ENTRY: Lanyard or Ticket Only
DRESS: Casual Attire

The presentation dinner is a stunning affair set in the beautiful Centara Grand Beach Resort & Villas. Enjoy prize presentations, major prize draws, fine cuisine and a dance band.



THE PLACE TO BE

With the easing of restrictions around the world, the window to travel safely is open once again. Across Thailand, in the Maldives, Vietnam, Sri Lanka or the Middle East, something magical happens when you find the place you truly belong, a place you want to be. This is the essence of Centara Hotels & Resorts, whether you are planning a family beach holiday, an immersive cultural experience or an exciting urban getaway.

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OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES



River Kwai Tour (12 hrs)

Wednesday 11 May
Depart Centara: 7:00am
Cost: THB 2,200

The River Kwai tour is a fascinating destination, site of the Japanese occupation of the Thai Burmese border during WWII. The tour includes the notorious black iron bridge, along with the "Death Railway" worked on by thousands of Allied POWs.

Dress:

Comfortable attire and walking shoes recommended



Hua Hin Historical Tour (6 hrs)

Wednesday 11 May
Depart: 9:00am
Cost: THB 1,900

Visit the impressive royal railway station and follow the trail of the track that gave birth to many palaces along the way. Visit the stucco German Baroque style at Phra Ramratchaniwet which King Rama 5 built and used mainly for relaxation. Continue to Khao Luang Cave, visit the Pra Nakorn Khiri built in 1860 by the King whose name is so popular in Broadway "The King and I".

Dress:

Comfortable attire and walking shoes recommended

NON GOLFER ACTIVITIES



Floating Market Tour (5 hrs)

Wednesday 11 May
Depart Centara: 7:30am
Cost: THB 1,900

Damnoen Saduak Floating Market is home to a quaint floating market which cuts through a canal and a small community of vintage cafés, restaurants and wooden shop-houses selling souvenirs, books and Thai sweets.

Dress:

Comfortable attire and walking shoes recommended



Thai Cooking Class (3 hrs)

Tuesday 10 May
Meet at Centara Railway Restaurant: 11:00am

Thai Cooking class with a twist. In this interactive event, participants will be divided up into teams, plan their menu & given a budget to "shop" for the items. Under the guidance of your assigned Thai chef, you will learn how to adapt local Thai flavors and ingredients into your dishes. Everyone will enjoy feasting on the fruits of their labors.

Ready Set Cook!

Dress:

Comfortable attire

MAJOR PRIZE DRAW

6 FANTASTIC PRIZES TO BE WON!

Prizes Drawn at The Gala Presentation Dinner
Friday 13th May

Grand Prizes



#1 One entry to the 2023 Centara World Masters Golf Championship

Prize includes tournament entry package, 6 nights at the 5 star Centara Grand Beach Resort, daily golf transfers and return airfares.



#2 One entry to the Gold Coast World Masters Golf Championship, from October 2022

Prize includes tournament entry package, 7 nights at Meriton Gold Coast Resort, daily golf transfers and return airfares.

Golf Holiday Prizes



#3 Best of Danang Golf

Prize includes 3 rounds of golf, 4 nights Deluxe Hotel and all airport & golf transfers for 2 persons.



#4 Best of Bangkok Golf

Prize includes 3 rounds of golf, 4 nights Deluxe Hotel and all airport & golf transfers for 2 persons.



#5 Best of Pattaya Golf

Prize includes 3 rounds of golf, 4 nights Deluxe Hotel and all airport & golf transfers for 2 persons.



#6 Best of Chiang Mai Golf

Prize includes 3 rounds of golf, 4 nights Deluxe Hotel and all airport & golf transfers for 2 persons.

HOME CLUB COMPETITION

The Format

Home golf clubs must register with the Tournament Committee before 1 June and have a minimum of 5 people

- Minimum 5 entrants per home golf club to qualify
- Top 5 scores from each home golf club to count
- The golf club with the highest accumulative total will be crowned the winner
- All members of the winning golf club will receive their time in the spotlight on the stage at the final night dinner and will all walk away with some great prizes!

The homeclub leadeboard will be updated nightly at the 19th hole - Centara Grand Lobby Lawn.



HANDICAP VERIFICATION

Handicap Committee

The handicap committee is committed to fairness and scoring integrity. The handicap committee will review the 6 month playing scoring history of all players to check for any irregularities and validate all handicaps prior to the commencement of the Championship. Participants must disclose if they hold a handicap at more than one course, and the lower handicap will be used for the Championship. Failure to disclose information relevant to your golf handicap may make you ineligible for golf prizes.

What You Need To Do

Participants are to provide the handicap committee with access to their 6 month playing history (online). Where handicaps are not available online, a 6 month playing history (courses played and scores) signed by an authorised club official is required. Handicap verification is required by 25 April 2022.

Note: Australian/NZ participants are not required to provide any additional information as the tournament committee will access your handicap information from the Golf Link and Golf Co Nz website.



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CONTACT POINTS

CONTACT FORCE DIMPLE

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TRADITIONAL DIMPLE

CONTACT POINTS

TRADITIONAL DIMPLE

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TOURNAMENT TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The 2022 Centara World Masters Golf Championship ('The Championship') shall be under the management and control of the Tournament Committee, whose decision on all matters relating to the Championship will be final.

2. The Championship will be a 72 hole single stableford event. 'A' grade golfers will also be eligible to compete for a 72 hole 'gross' event. Competition rounds will be conducted on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

3. Golfers will be drawn to play 2 rounds at Black Mountain and 2 rounds at Banyan golf courses. A separate draw for playing partners will be conducted for each round and provided at Tournament Registration in Hua Hin.

4. Event age categories will be 35-59 59-64, 66+ for men (A, B & C grades in each division) and 35-64 & 65+ for women (A & B grades in each division). Note: Players must be within the appropriate age category as at the first day of play. Age divisions are subject to change based on entry numbers. Grade divisions will be provided on the leaderboards.

5. The handicap range for each grade (A,B,C) will be based on final entries. Your tournament handicap index, as at 1 June, will determine your tournament division.

6. Competitors must have an official handicap (endorsed by your national golf association). For participants who have provided online access to their handicap the Tournament Committee will download your latest handicap on May 1. Other participants must provide written evidence of their official handicap after May 1.

7. The 'slope handicap system' will be utilised to calculate player handicaps for the Championship rounds. Under the slope system, the difficulty of the golf course and the tee blocks played from determine a player's handicap prior to the start of each round. Your daily handicap will be displayed on your scorecard.

8. The Tournament Committee have managed large international amateur tournaments for more than 20 years. Based on this experience, the Tournament Committee have developed a proven system for adjusting player handicaps after each round of the tournament. The handicap adjustments take into consideration:

- Scores for each round in relation to the calculated course rating.
- Consistently high scoring
- Scores recorded on predetermined holes
- On course review of playing ability

The Tournament Committee's decisions on handicaps are final and no correspondence will be entered into.

9. Trophies for the 72 hole event will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd placegetters in each age/handicap division. Winners are determined by the highest aggregate of Stableford points over the four competition rounds. Trophies will be awarded to the winner of the 72 hole single stroke 'gross' event in each age division. Players may only win one trophy.

10. Tournament Committee has approved the use of distance measuring devices at the Centara World Masters.

11. All events will be conducted in accordance with the rules of golf and such local rules as approved by the Tournament Committee.

12. In the event that weather conditions prevent all players from finishing their round, that competition round will be cancelled and the Championship reduced accordingly. No refunds will be provided for cancelled championship rounds.

13. Functions: In the event of inclement weather alternative arrangements will be made.

14. Refund applications received in writing 30 days prior to event, following any travel restrictions due to Covid 19 will be fully refundable. Cancellations less than 30 days prior to event will be subject to a THB 1,500 admin fee and refunded up to 100% of the remaining balance dependent on what Golfasian / Go Golfing can recover from suppliers.

Note: Refunds for cancelled air tickets and accommodation will be subject to the standard terms and conditions of each airline and property.

15. The 'Major Prize Draw' will be conducted on Friday at Centara Grand, Hua Hin. All registered golfers and non golfing partners will gain entry in the draw. Drawing Procedure – At approximately 8:30pm six tickets will be drawn with those six people to come up on stage. If the person is not present, there will be a redraw until six people are on stage. The six names will then be placed in a barrel for the second stage of the drawing. In the second draw, the first name drawn will be placed in prize envelope number one. This process will be repeated for prizes two to six. The prizes will then be presented from sixth prize through to first prize. All prizes are subject to terms and conditions.

16. All prizes will be distributed in accordance with the rules of amateur golf status.

17. The Tournament Committee may arrange media promotion and publicity before, during and after the Championship. Competitors assent to pictures of them appearing and being used for event promotion.

18. The Tournament Committee may at its discretion amend or add any condition of the Championship.

19. To drive a motorised cart, competitors agree to possess a current driver's license and have previous experience driving a golf cart equal to a minimum of four rounds. In the event of an accident, the driver is responsible for the costs to repair the cart and any property damaged as well as being liable for any personal injury claims.

20. By registering online and accepting the tournaments terms & conditions, competitors agree to participate in the Centara World Masters at their own risk. The Tournament Committee, Go Golfing, Golfasian, sponsors, host golf clubs and other suppliers of goods and services accept no liability for any death, injury, property loss or damage incurred during or arising out of any aspect of the conduct of the Championship.

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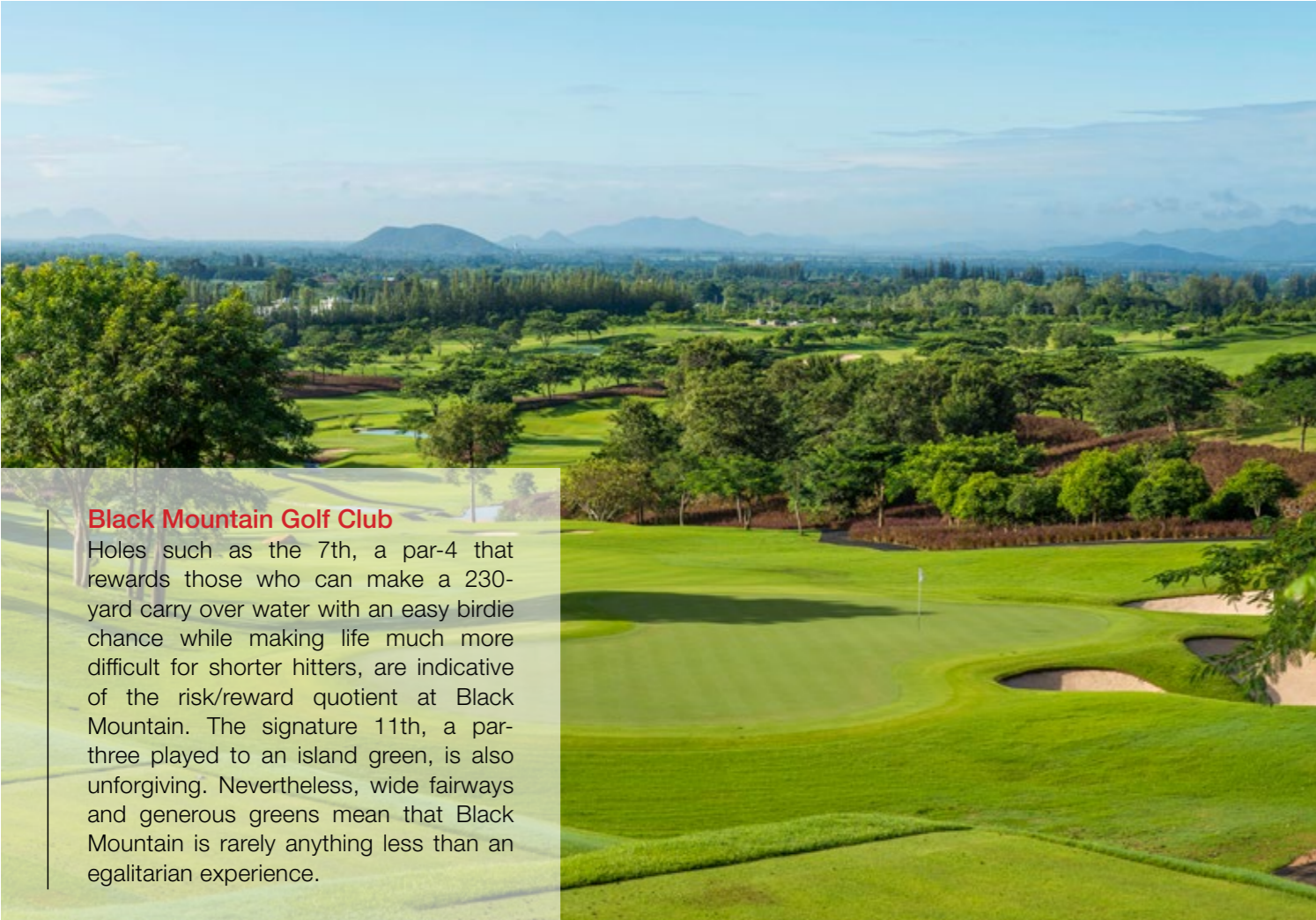
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Banyan Golf Club

Laid out over a hilly chunk of tropical land not far from the venerable seaside resort of Hua Hin, the course at Banyan comes in two distinct parts. The outward nine winds around the lower part of the property, while the second (more spectacular) nine meanders up and down the slopes offering stunning views over the ocean and towards the mountains of Myanmar in the distance. The scenic manna reaches its apogee at the signature 15th – a short hole with a panoramic vista of the Gulf of Thailand.



Black Mountain Golf Club

Holes such as the 7th, a par-4 that rewards those who can make a 230-yard carry over water with an easy birdie chance while making life much more difficult for shorter hitters, are indicative of the risk/reward quotient at Black Mountain. The signature 11th, a par-three played to an island green, is also unforgiving. Nevertheless, wide fairways and generous greens mean that Black Mountain is rarely anything less than an egalitarian experience.

TIPS FOR THAILAND

Thailand is a wondrous Kingdom, and taking some time to learn more about this amazing country will certainly add to your holiday experience.

For more information about Hua Hin and Bangkok, we recommend you to visit these sites:
<http://www.tourismthailand.org/Where-to-Go/Hua-Hin>
<http://www.tourismthailand.org/Where-to-Go/Bangkok>

Thailand Culture

You will find Bangkok a crazy mix of noise and scents set amongst a combination of modern Western styles and traditional temples; but beyond the capital the regions, including Hua Hin, still maintain their cultural roots.



Thailand Religion

Thailand is predominantly Buddhist and you'll find many shrines and temples dedicated to the religion. One of the largest Buddha in Thailand, the reclining Buddha, housed at Wat Pho in Bangkok, is a must-see if you can fit it into your schedule.

These Buddha's are sacred to the Thai people so never climb on one, or do anything that may be deemed disrespectful.

You must dress neatly in religious areas or you may be refused entry if your outfit is not suitable. In some places, you will be able to hire appropriate clothing but best to be prepared. Shoulders, midriff and knees should be covered, including neat footwear. On occasion you may be asked to remove your shoes before entering temples (and indeed before entering a private home).

Hello!

While most Thai are happy to accept a handshake, their traditional greeting is the wai. Pressed palms together, like in the photo.



Tipping

Tipping isn't necessary except in restaurants and hotels, where the normal rate is around 10%. Standard caddie tips are 400 baht.

Health

Avoid drinking tap water to ensure you don't get sick. Make sure you stock up on bottled water.

Speak Thai

We've provided some helpful phrases to use while on holidays – give them a go, your efforts, perfect or not, will not go unrewarded.

- **Sa-wad dee (hello)** - Use this for both hello and goodbye.
- **Khop koon (thank you)** - If you master one phrase whilst away, this is the one.
- **Tao Lai? (how much)** - Essential for shopping.
- **Tee nai...? (where is...)** - You can point at your map and say 'yoo tee nai'.
- **Mai ow (don't want)** - Handy if you are accompanying a shopper.
- **Khor tort (sorry)** - Stood on someone's golf ball by accident? Now you can apologise.
- **Lot noi dai mai? (can you make it cheaper?)** - There is just a chance that you might get a discount for attempting to speak the local language.
- **A-roi (delicious)** - You should learn this one – you'll be saying it a lot.



TOURNAMENT TIPS

PACE OF PLAY

At Go Golfing events, where many players are unfamiliar with the courses, 4.5 hours is a reasonable pace of play. Maintaining a reasonable pace of play is an important element in having a good experience on course. It's often a combination of little things not done that wind up contributing to slow play and on-course traffic jams.

Here are some tips for making sure your pace of play is as brisk as it should be. Remember, pace of play isn't about rushing your shots, it's about being ready to play your stroke when it's your turn, and behaving efficiently on the course.

1. While walking to your ball, use the travel time to begin thinking over your next shot - the yardage, which club you'll use, and so on. Begin preparing before you get to your ball.
2. If you are sharing a cart, drop the first player off at their ball, drive on ahead to the second ball. The first player should walk over to the cart as the second player is playing his shot.
3. Carry a few extra tees, ball markers and a spare ball in your pockets so you don't have to return to your golf bag if you are in need of one.
4. When you think your ball may be lost or out of bounds, hit a provisional ball straight away.
5. It's nice to watch a good shot, it is more important to watch a bad one to see where the ball finishes. Get a line or a physical marker to help the search for your ball. Please don't spend more than 2 minutes searching for a ball.
6. On the green, begin lining up your putt and reading the break as soon as you reach the green. So when it is your turn you are ready to make the stroke.
7. When it's your turn to putt, be prepared to step right up and take the stroke.
8. Leave your bags or golf carts to the side of the green, and in the direction of the next tee, never in front of the green.
9. After holing out on the green, write down your scores. If you have the honor, go to the next hole, tee off and then attend to your scorecard.
10. If you notice you have fallen behind the group in front, play 'ready golf' until you have caught up.
11. In stableford competitions, if you cannot score, please pick-up.
12. If a player in your group is 'slow', offer encouragement and help, not abuse.
13. If it takes you longer than 15 seconds to calculate distances with your range-finder, then you shouldn't be using it.

ETIQUETTE

Please turn your phone off or to silent. Phones should only be used for emergencies and should never delay play. Please treat all players, staff and officials with respect.

RULES OF GOLF

This is a tournament and as such the rules of golf must be applied. Please check with your 'marker' to determine the correct location on where to drop for balls hit into hazards. If you think your ball might be lost, please play a 'provisional' ball.

You are responsible for keeping score for the player whose scorecard you are marking and ensuring rules are applied correctly. If unsure of a ruling, play 2 balls and seek rule clarification prior to submitting your scorecard. Any dispute in relation to scores or rules must be settled prior to signing scorecards.

STABLEFORD SCORING EXPLAINED

The number of stableford points awarded on each hole is determined based on your 'adjusted score' on each hole in relation to par. Under stableford scoring, your actual score on each hole is adjusted based on your handicap. The stroke index (SI) is used to determine on what holes you apply your handicap.

Examples: a 12 handicap golfer would deduct one shot from their fixed score on stroke index holes rated 1 to 12 only. A 24 handicap player would deduct two shots from their fixed score on holes indexed 1 through 6 and deduct one shot on holes indexed 7 to 18.

The 'adjusted' score is then compared to the stableford scoring table as follows:

- Double bogey or worse = 0 stableford points
- Bogey (1 over par) = 1 stableford point
- Par = 2 stableford points
- Birdie (1 under par) = 3 stableford points
- Eagle (2 under par) = 4 stableford points
- Albatross (3 under par) = 5 stableford points

On the scorecard, the marker is responsible for writing down the actual 'stroke' score and the stableford points on each hole (based on the adjusted stroke score). You must also record your own stroke and stableford score (under marker) for score checking at the end of your round.

Stableford speeds up pace of play, as once it is no longer possible to score a point, a player can simply pick up his/her ball and proceed to the next hole. A total of 36 points (for 18 holes) is playing to your handicap. The higher the stableford total, the better you have played. See tournament staff if you need assistance with stableford scoring an example of stableford scoring is also behind the player information sheet (attached to cart steering wheel each round).

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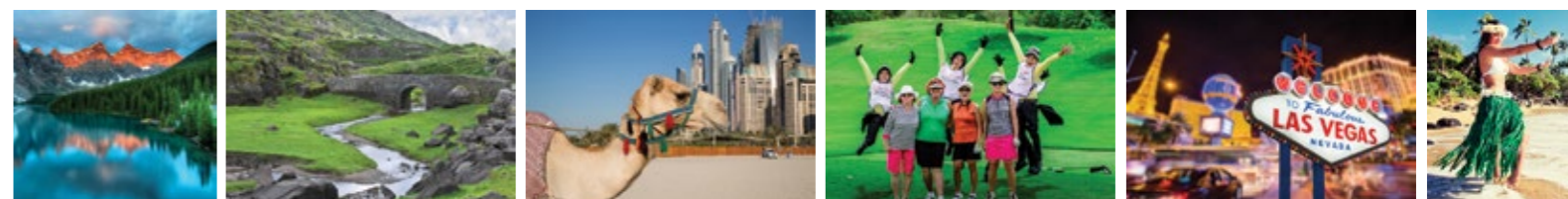
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