

Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa Press Release

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THANKSGIVING FEASTS, ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR FAMILIES AND GUESTS AT SAWGRASS GOLF RESORT & SPA

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Florida – The chefs at Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa are taking the hassle out of Thanksgiving by preparing scrumptious menus for the upcoming Nov. 27 holiday. Reservations are now being accepted for diners and their families to enjoy this special Thanksgiving culinary event at Sawgrass, which also includes several exciting holiday activities for children and guests of all ages.

“There is no question this year’s Thanksgiving feast at Sawgrass will be fully committed – the menus have been expertly crafted to blend an array of cooking styles and palettes and the setting will provide guests with a dishes-free way to experience their Thanksgiving meal,” said Jeff Kmiec, director of sales and marketing for Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa. “Thanksgiving is not only a time to be grateful, but it is also an opportunity to enjoy culinary productions at their finest.”

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Feasts are being prepared for two separate locales at the Sawgrass resort: the Augustine Grille and Café on the Green. Each setting features its own distinctive array of Thanksgiving Day fare and hours of operation. Reservations are required to enjoy this special dining experience.

Crowning the Thanksgiving Day offerings at Sawgrass is the sumptuous prix fixe menu and a la carte selections being planned for the Augustine Grille, one of Ponte Vedra Beach's premier dining establishments. Prepared by Chef Brett A. Smith, the food selections include:

- An Ashley Farms Free Range Turkey Dinner for \$36 a person. This meal features an herb-roasted "Natural Turkey," Golden Veloute, Lee and Foi Gras Dressing, Silky Whipped Yukon Gold Potatoes, Garlic Creamed Haricots Vert with Crispy onions and Housemade Grand Marnier Cranberries.
- A Thanksgiving Prix Fixe menu for \$60 a person. This meal includes Roasted Butternut Squash Bisque with Ginger Cream and Crispy Leeks, Arugula Salad with Warm Artichoke, Asparagus and Maytag Blue, Lemon-Garlic Vinaigrette Herb Roasted Ashley Farms Free Range "All Natural" Turkey Dinner and Roasted Pumpkin Crème Brulee.
- A delicious a la carte menu that includes such additional appetizers as Crabcake with Saffron aioli and Lobster Napoleon with lemon Chervil butter and entrees that include Grilled Wild Salmon with Smashed Fingerling Potatoes and Organic Spinach with Béarnaise Sauce and a Rack of Lamb with Rosemary Lamb Jus. A hot Chocolate Cake Surprise and Spiced Apple and

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Cranberry Cobbler with Vanilla Bean Ice Cream are two options for dessert.

Reservations for The Augustine Grille feast can be made by calling (904) 285-7777, ext. 6750.

Café on the Green, another delicious dining destination at Sawgrass, is serving Thanksgiving fare from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 27. In addition to a mouthwatering selection of appetizers and salads, the restaurant will feature several chef stations of turkey breast, tenderloin and seared grouper and an entrees and accompaniment selection that includes: Orange and Honey Glazed Quail, Wild Rice Pilaf, Braised Beef Short Ribs, Creamy Corn Polenta, Crispy Fried Leeds, Sautéed Autumn Vegetables, Creamy mash Potatoes, Mashed Sweet Potatoes with Toasted Pecans and Cornbread Dressing. Café on the Green will also serve an array of the pastry chef's desserts including pumpkin, sweet potato and pecan pies, cakes, tortes and fresh tropical fruits. The Café on the Green feast is priced at \$59.95 per adult, \$24.95 for children 6-12 and children under six are free. Reservations can be made by calling (904) 285-7777, ext. 6750.

In addition to the delicious culinary options being prepared for guests at the resort, Sawgrass also is planning special events for children on Thanksgiving Day. Some of the fun activities slated for Thanksgiving Day include opportunities to make a pilgrim or Indian hat, a special visit from the Thanksgiving Turkey and a Turkey Day Classic Putting Challenge.

To visit the Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa, travel J. Turner Butler Boulevard East to State Road AIA South. Turn right on PGA TOUR Boulevard and turn left into the

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Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa.

The Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa, a Marriott Resort and host of The PLAYERS Championship, is Northeast Florida's premiere destination for vacations, conferences and special events. The award-winning resort was recently ranked as the No. 1 Best Golf Resort in Florida and the ninth best golf resort in the country in the September 2008 issue of *Travel and Leisure Golf* magazine. Guests of the resort have exclusive access to eight championship courses including THE PLAYERS Stadium course, a Pete Dye-designed course ranked among the top 80 in the world and named the 2008 Top Golf Course in Florida by *Travel and Leisure Golf* magazine. Other amenities of the resort include the Spa at Sawgrass, a 25,000 square-foot oasis featuring 19 treatment rooms, a wellness center with trainers, fitness classes, men's and women's locker rooms, a private pool and exclusive parking. For beach enthusiasts, the Cabana Beach Club is a private and relaxing beachfront getaway for the entire family to enjoy the simple pleasures of Ponte Vedra Beach. The newly renovated club features private beach access, a Junior Olympic heated swimming pool, three restaurants, shower and changing facilities, a playground, towel service and beach rentals.

For more information about the Spa at Sawgrass or the Cabana Beach Club call Sonia Thomasino at (904) 373-2099 or visit www.sawgrassmarriott.com. For more information about the resort, call Jeff Kmiec at (904) 285-7777.

Photo caption: Sawgrass Golf Resort & Spa is planning two Thanksgiving feasts featuring an array of culinary indulgences.

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