



European Institute of Golf Course Architects

Recommended Reading

Golf Course Architecture

Bauer, Aleck (compiler): Hazards. Grant Books, 1993.

Those essential elements in a golf course without which the game would be tame and uninteresting.

Colt, H S and Alison, C H: Some essays on golf course architecture. Grant Books, 1993.

Historic writings on golf course architecture.

Cornish, Geoffrey S and Whitten, Ronald E: The architects of golf. Harper Collins, 1981.

First published as 'The Golf Course' it contains a very good coverage of the history of golf course architecture and some elements of modern design. (This is a reference book but entries for individual architects can be photocopied.)

Daley, Paul: Golf architecture: a worldwide perspective. Volume 1. Full Swing Golf Publishing, 2002.

Leading golf architects from around the world present their ideas, providing a much-needed international assessment of the principles and practice of golf architecture.

Daley, Paul: Links golf. Aurum Press, 2000.

This book captures and explains the passion surrounding the playing of golf on links land, exploring the history, characteristics and future of links golf.

Doak, Tom: The anatomy of a golf course. Lyons & Burford, 1996.

Some good thoughts on modern golf course design, explaining the strategies behind a golf architect's decisions.

Fazio, Tom: Golf course designs. Harry N Abrams, 2000.

An illustrated book of courses designed by Fazio.

Graves, Robert Muir & Cornish, Geoffrey S: Golf course design. Wiley, 1998.

Covers all of the major historic, aesthetic, business and technical issues of the subject – from course layout, hole design, drainage, irrigation and turfgrass selection to planning, financing, construction and environmental considerations.

Hawtree, Fred (editor): Aspects of golf course architecture 1889-1924. Grant Books, 1998.

A collection of historic writings on golf course architecture.

Hawtree, F W: The golf course, planning, design, construction and maintenance. Spon, 1983.

A general textbook on golf course design.

Hurdzan, Michael: Golf course architecture. Sleeping Bear Press, 1996.

Good general textbook on the theory and practice of golf course design from the basic criteria though to golf and the environment, with chapters on economics and the use of computers.

Jones, Robert Trent: Golf's magnificent challenge. Mcgraw Hill, 1998.

The author's insights into the various design factors that influence play, with lavish illustrations.

Jones, Robert Trent: Golf by design, how to lower your score by reading the features of a course. Little, Brown, 1993.

Golf course design from the American viewpoint.

Mackenzie, Alister: The spirit of St Andrews. Sleeping Bear Press, 1995.

A timeless masterpiece written in 1933 containing the author's thoughts on golf course architecture.

Richardson, Forrest L: Routing the golf course: the art & science that forms the golf journey. Wiley, 2002.

Comprehensive guide presenting strategies for creating a golf course routing plan, with coverage of site evaluation, terrain, natural settings, sunlight, wind, finances, psychology, golf strategy and environmental conditions.

Ross, Donald J: Golf has never failed me. Sleeping Bear Press, 1995.

The lost commentaries of the legendary golf architect.

Shackelford, Geoff (editor): Master of the links. Sleeping Bear Press, 1997.

A collection of essays on golf course architecture by some well-known architects throughout history.

Shakelford, Geoff: The golden age of golf design. Sleeping Bear Press, 1999.

Reviews and analyses the original work of the master architects.

Tillinghast, A W: The course beautiful. Tree Wolf Publications, 1995.

A collection of original articles and photographs on golf course design.

Agronomy and Green Keeping

Beard, James B: Turfgrass: science and culture. Prentice Hall, 1973.

A comprehensive basic text and reference source on turfgrass culture for use throughout the world.

Lilly, Sharon: Golf course tree management. Ann Arbor Press, 1999.

A technical resource for those who manage golf courses and shoulder the responsibility of caring for trees.

Perris, J & Evans, R D C (editors): The care of the golf course. 2nd ed. STRI, 1996.

General maintenance guide with chapters on turf pests and weeds, ecology and the use of pesticides.

Witteveen, Gordon and Bavier, Michael: Practical golf course maintenance: the magic of green keeping. Ann Arbor Press, 1998.

Focuses on the vital techniques and methods professionals need to create a healthy, high quality golf course.

Environmental Issues

Balogh, James C: Golf Management & Construction: environmental issues. Lewis Publishers, 1992.

A comprehensive assessment and summary into the environmental effects of turfgrass construction and maintenance. An introduction into the environmental impacts of turfgrass management, including pesticides, the role of water resources and wildlife.

Muirhead, Desmond and Rando, Guy L: Golf course development and real estate. Urban Land Institute, 1994.

Includes detailed how-to information about designing and building a golf course and the surrounding residential area. Full colour illustrations, examples, and case studies offer insights and ideas.

Cory, Gregory L and Garl, Ronald M: Golf course development in residential communities. Urban Land Institute, 2001.

This book explains the role of each player on the development team and covers best practices and techniques to use for market analysis, land planning, development approvals, golf course design, business operations and legal issues.

Sachs, Paul D, and Luff, Richard T: Ecological golf course management. Sleeping Bear Press, 2002.

A comprehensive work on ecological turf management, aimed at anyone concerned with reducing or eliminating chemical pesticide use.

Irrigation

Choate, Richard, B: Turf irrigation manual: the complete guide to turf and landscape irrigation systems. Weathermatic, 1994.

A guidebook for engineers, architects, landscape architects, designers and contractors.

Pira, Edward: Golf course irrigation system design and drainage. Ann Arbor Press, 1997.

A useful reference book to help golf course superintendents and students to attain the requisite knowledge to oversee the installation and maintenance of irrigation systems that fit the needs of their particular course.