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PINEHURST RESORT NAMED NO. 1 GOLF RESORT IN AMERICA FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Fifth Annual World's Best Golf Resorts Readers' Survey Results Revealed in *Travel + Leisure Golf's* September/October Issue and on www.tlgolf.com

New York, NY (September 3, 2008) – **Pinehurst Resort**, North Carolina; **Kiawah Island Golf Resort**, South Carolina; and **Pebble Beach Resorts**, California, are the top three U.S. golf resorts, respectively, according to *Travel + Leisure Golf* magazine's 2008 World's Best Golf Resorts readers' survey, announced today. At No. 10, **Reynolds Plantation** in Georgia makes its debut on the list of Top Ten U.S. Golf Resorts this year.

The survey results cover readers' favorite courses and resorts in the U.S., the Caribbean, Mexico & Latin America, Canada, and the British Isles. Within each region, the resorts are ranked in a variety of categories including Best Resorts for Buddy Trips, Most Underrated Resorts, and Best Resorts for Family Trips.

Travel + Leisure Golf 2008 Top Ten U.S. Golf Resorts

1. **Pinehurst Resort**, North Carolina
2. **Kiawah Island Golf Resort**, South Carolina
3. **Pebble Beach Resorts**, California
4. **Bandon Dunes Golf Resorts**, Oregon
5. **Kapalua Resort**, Hawaii
6. **Four Seasons Resort Scottsdale at Troon North**, Arizona
7. **The Boulders Resort & Golden Door Spa**, Arizona
8. **The American Club**, Wisconsin
9. **Sawgrass Marriott Resort & Spa**, Florida
10. **Reynolds Plantation**, Georgia

Travel + Leisure Golf 2008 Top Resorts + Courses Outside the U.S.

Best Course, Scotland	St. Andrews (Old)
Best Course, Ireland/Northern Ireland	Ballybunion (Old)
Best Course, England/Wales	Sunningdale (Old)
Best Golf Resort, Canada	Fairmont Banff Springs , Alberta
Best Golf Resort, Bermuda/Bahamas/Caribbean	Casa de Campo , Dominican Republic
Best Golf Resort, Mexico/Latin America	Cabo del Sol Beach & Golf Resort , Mexico

Travel + Leisure Golf 2008 Best Golf Resorts by Category + Region – Highlights

Best Resort for Family Trips, West/Northwest U.S.	Sunriver Resort , Oregon
Best Resort for Family Trips, Southwest	The Broadmoor , Colorado
Best Resort for Buddy Trips, Florida	Doral Golf Resort & Spa
Best Resort for Buddy Trips, Northeast/Mid-Atlantic	Kingsmill Resort & Spa , Virginia
Most Underrated Resort, Midwest	French Lick Resort , Indiana
Most Underrated Resort, Hawaii	Kauai Marriott Resort & Beach Club
Most Underrated Resort, Southeast	Pine Needles Lodge & Golf Club , NC

"It's a testament to Pinehurst's consistent top-tier golf facilities, professionals, and service that *Travel + Leisure Golf*'s discerning, well-traveled readers have once again ranked it the No. 1 golf resort in the country," said John Atwood, editor in chief of *Travel + Leisure Golf*. "This marks the third time the resort has achieved this top ranking in the past four years."

The complete results, along with survey methodology, are featured in the September/October issue of *Travel + Leisure Golf*, on newsstands September 16, and on www.tlgolf.com now.

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