



POPPY HILLS
PEBBLE BEACH, CA



WHEN USING THIS BOOK: Sprinkler heads are measured to the center of the green and are indicated throughout with a number beside a white dot (○). Distances to landing areas or hazards are measured from the specified tee to the indicated point.

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Welcome to the Forest

Soak in the symphony of nature playing all around you.

There's the quiet roar of the ocean, the distant crash of waves, the occasional bark of a sea lion.

There's the chirping of birds, the crunching of wildlife scurrying across the forest floor, the pattering of deer dashing across the fairway.

Throw in a little percussion — the solid knock of a golf ball against a stately Monterey Pine.

Welcome to Poppy Hills, the closest experience in golf to a round in a national park. The peaceful and serene backdrop sets the scene for a tranquil trip through the grand Del Monte Forest in Pebble Beach.

Poppy Hills is a fascinating trail that meanders through a forgotten corner of Pebble Beach. Discover a rustic and rugged experience along the forest floor, through the pine straw and around native waste areas that weave into each hole. Take in surprising and stunning ocean views from vistas well worth the hike.

There are seven golf courses in golf's greatest zip code, but Poppy Hills is a truly unique Pebble Beach experience.

Enjoy firm, fast and fun conditions — fairways unencumbered by rough, shots defined only by what your imagination can dream up, glassy bentgrass greens purer than any you'll find on the peninsula.

Enjoy an adventure that is warm and welcoming to golf greenhorns, yet endlessly compelling for golf enthusiasts.

Find your own way through the forest.

Find yourself in the forest.



HOLE 1 – PAR 5

The key to this hole? Stay right. A giant hillside keeps balls in play on the tee shot, although bombers should note the bunker that comes into play at the throat of the fairway. Right is a safe lay up and an appropriate bailout if you go for it in two. Hit your approach short left and watch your ball trickle back down the shaved bank into the pond, a la No. 15 at Augusta National. Right and long are always safe.

JONES 527

514

489

458

421

B

J 309
4 295
3 270
2 238
1 201

J 284
4 270
3 245
2 213
1 176

A

J 285
4 273
3 248
2 217
1 181

FROM THIS SPRINKLER	DISTANCE TO POINT A	DISTANCE TO POINT B
194	51	90
204	59	94
225	80	114
235	91	128

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4

J



DEPTH = 38 • WIDTH = 36



HOLE 2 – PAR 3

The hanging bunker on the left slope and three deep bunkers to the right are inspired by the work of Alister MacKenzie. A strong left bank past the bunker will feed balls onto the green. Be aware that shots to a front flag are susceptible to sucking back off the green. Out-of-bounds lurks right.

JONES 161
148
132
118
99





HOLE 3 – PAR 4

A spectacular view of the Monterey Bay and the Santa Cruz Mountains awaits, fog permitting. This par 4 dives more than 80 feet downhill, with out-of-bounds creeping into play on the right. Shots played down the left-hand side provide the best view into the green. Short shots can crawl onto the green, but long approaches fall off a steep back edge.

JONES 421
 410
 390
 370
 351

J 274
 4 263
 3 243
 2 223
 1 204

J 307
 4 297
 3 277
 2 257
 1 238

J 292
 4 282
 3 261
 2 241
 1 222

J 251
 4 240
 3 220
 2 200
 1 181

J 230
 4 219
 3 199
 2 179
 1 160

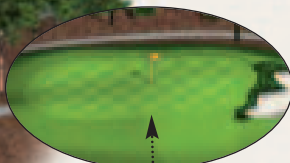
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DEPTH = 29 • WIDTH = 31



HOLE 4 – PAR 4

This uphill par 4 climbs 50 feet. Challenging the sand on the inside corner of the dogleg right opens up the approach. A kicker slope left of the green redirects shots onto one of the most undulating putting surfaces at Poppy Hills. The green is divided into three strong sections, including a false front. Long shots collect into a challenging fairway hollow.

JONES 399
 390
 373
 346
 302



J	269
4	260
3	244
2	219
1	176

J	254
4	245
3	228
2	203
1	160

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J



DEPTH = 32 • WIDTH = 35



HOLE 5 – PAR 4

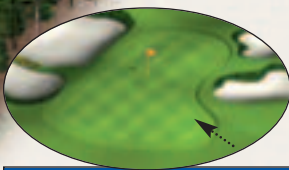
A tee shot splitting the two fairway bunkers is ideal, as the farther right you play, the longer your approach into the smallest green on the course. Drives sprayed too deep fall off a crowned fairway toward the forest, leaving a tough angle where all four greenside bunkers are in play. The left portion of the green is exposed, although shots must climb a false front.



JONES	385
🍁🍁🍁🍁	369
🍁🍁🍁🍁	356
🍁🍁🍁🍁	322
🍁🍁	291

J	224
4	209
3	196
2	164
1	134

J	277
4	261
3	248
2	214
1	184





HOLE 6 – PAR 3

The longest par 3 on the course is inspired by C.B. Macdonald, who brought North Berwick's Redan Hole from Scotland to National Golf Links a century ago. A Redan green slopes right-to-left and front-to-back. With that in mind, play away from the deep bunker that guards the left side of the green by aiming right, as a slope will feed your ball down the green. But beware — a shot hit too long on this line will collect into one of the deepest fairway troughs on the course.

JONES 223
200
188
160
141



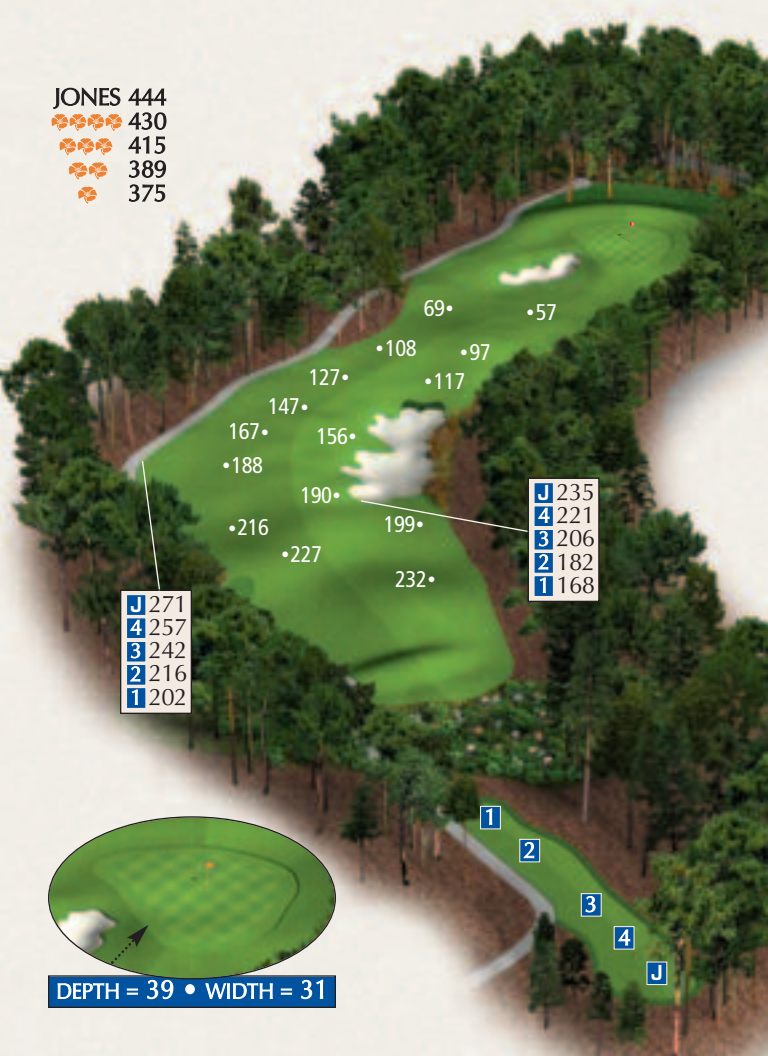
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HOLE 7 – PAR 4

A drive that skirts the fairway bunker on the right will cut the corner and provide the best approach angle. A lone bunker fronts the left side of the green, a look inspired by No. 10 at Pasatiempo. A backstop long and left will spit balls back onto the green, while anything missing short right will funnel backward for an uncomfortable recovery shot.

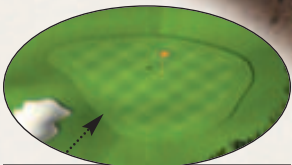
JONES 444
 430
 415
 389
 375



69• •57
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 167• 156•
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J 271
 4 257
 3 242
 2 216
 1 202

J 235
 4 221
 3 206
 2 182
 1 168



DEPTH = 39 • WIDTH = 31

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 2
 3
 4
 J



HOLE 8 – PAR 3

This par 3 is pressed against a deep ravine to the right. Three bunkers before the green also make missing right a bad idea, but shots short and left will work their way onto the front edge. A bailout long and left leaves a delicate recovery with the ravine as a backdrop.

JONES 179
170
152
127
121



DEPTH = 41 • WIDTH = 27



HOLE 9 – PAR 5

If you want to get home in two, a drive taking on the left fairway bunker leaves the shortest approach. But a tee shot down the right side of the fairway leaves a friendlier angle, as you will find a gap between the two bunkers fronting the green. If you play this hole as a three-shotter, laying up to the left side of the fairway creates the best avenue into the green, which has three distinct sections.

JONES 515

503

479

447

414

B

A

C

•78

•54

•88

107•

103•

•122

140•

133•

163•

178•

182•

202•

•211

•227

230•

235•

245•

249•

J 303
4 291
3 267
2 235
1 202

J 273
4 262
3 238
2 206
1 174

J 272
4 261
3 237
2 204
1 171

FROM THIS SPRINKLER	DISTANCE TO POINT A	DISTANCE TO POINT B	DISTANCE TO POINT C
202	92	129	176
211	100	132	175
227	117	146	188
230	119	151	195
235	124	159	205
245	135	165	208
249	138	171	216

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J



DEPTH = 41 • WIDTH = 35



HOLE 10 – PAR 4

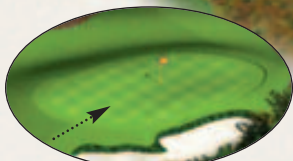
Favor the left side of the fairway. Catch the right half of the fairway and you'll contend with trees and a deep ravine that cover the right side of the green. A safe approach played short left catches a slope that will feed right and onto the green.

JONES 443
 🍁🍁🍁 416
 🍁🍁🍁 387
 🍁🍁 375
 🍁 306



J	281
4	251
3	222
2	211
1	148

J	191
4	161
3	131
2	121
1	58



DEPTH = 39 • WIDTH = 27

J



HOLE 11 – PAR 3

Avoid coming up short. Even if you clear the chasm, the front of the green falls off, sucking balls back toward the ravine. A high hinge in the middle of the green creates three distinct sections: left, right and back hole locations.

JONES 202
189
163
140
118



DEPTH = 36 • WIDTH = 34



HOLE 12 – PAR 4

A drive down the left side cuts the corner, but it leaves a hanging lie and a blind approach. Find the right side of the fairway and you'll have a visible, albeit longer, second shot from a flat lie. Past the greenside bunker on the left, a slope carries everything right and onto the green. A fairway swale swallows up approaches that finish right.

JONES 447

431

397

358

252

59•

•79

•91

99•

•119

•130

149•

159•

•150

183•

169•

•179

189•

•215

•209

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4

J



DEPTH = 42 • WIDTH = 19



HOLE 13 – PAR 5

The longest par 5 on the course will have most players strategizing how to set up their third shot. The left side of the fairway provides the safest angle — it keeps you from challenging two greenside bunkers, while enabling you to use a friendly bank left of the green. Be cautious with a back hole location — the green rolls away sharply.

JONES 629
 572
 550
 515
 480

J 360
 4 302
 3 281
 2 245
 1 210

J 310
 4 254
 3 233
 2 199
 1 164

DEPTH = 36 • WIDTH = 34

FROM THIS SPRINKLER	DISTANCE TO POINT A	DISTANCE TO POINT B
237	122	165
248	133	176
249	134	178



HOLE 14 – PAR 4

This killer five-hole stretch is lined with a natural sandy area down the right-hand side. The optimal attack angle is playing across the green (left side of fairway to right hole location, and vice versa). Avoid missing long, as it leaves a devilish up-and-down from well below the putting surface.

JONES 478

439

421

357

333

J 371
4 332
3 315
2 250
1 225

50•

78•

89•

•110

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•129

•141

138•

•158

•169

•178

208•

218•

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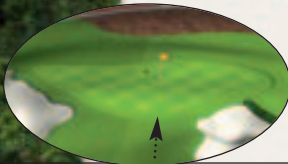
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J

J 202
4 162
3 145
2 81
1 57



DEPTH = 28 • WIDTH = 42



HOLE 15 – PAR 3

The lowered green subtly falls off three different ways — to the front, left and right. An aggressive tee shot tracking a back hole location is susceptible to a hidden bunker behind the green. Long approaches targeting the right half of the green can trickle down to the forest floor.

JONES 185
175
163
141
123





HOLE 16 – PAR 4

This dogleg left climbs nearly 50 feet to a two-level green. If you are brave enough to challenge the left-hand fairway bunker, you will be rewarded with the best angle for approach. But shots that miss left on the approach will find a deep fairway hollow — or worse — the natural sandy area and creek down by the eighteenth green.

JONES 414

400

382

354

333

J 298
4 284
3 266
2 239
1 218

J 246
4 232
3 215
2 188
1 166

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51•

•66

•83

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117•

•137

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171•

187•

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•214

•209

224•

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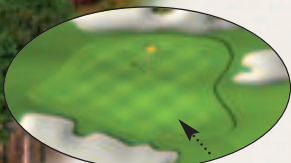
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DEPTH = 37 • WIDTH = 26



HOLE 17 – PAR 4

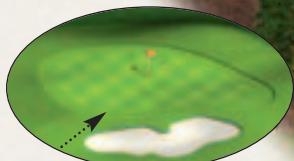
An aggressive drive that slides just left of the towering Monterey Pine can catch a slope and bound forward into wedge range. A bank left of the green generously accepts shots and ushers them down the putting surface. Shots long and right fall off steeply below the green.

JONES 415
 397
 374
 348
 326

J 306
 4 286
 3 265
 2 239
 1 217

J 286
 4 266
 3 245
 2 219
 1 197

J 256
 4 238
 3 216
 2 190
 1 169



DEPTH = 30 • WIDTH = 32





HOLE 18 – PAR 5

Keep your tee shot right of the two fairway bunkers for a view of the green and your lay up landing area. Left is blind. A revitalized seasonal creek cuts diagonally across the hole, creating many choices. Lay up left? Lay up short of the creek? Challenge the creek? That's up to you and the prevailing wind, which is usually against you. Approaches short right will bound down the hill and funnel onto the green.

JONES 535
 519
 488
 474
 429

B

C

A

J 302
 4 251
 3 225
 2 199
 1 162

J 290
 4 239
 3 213
 2 187
 1 150

J 265
 4 214
 3 187
 2 162
 1 123

FROM THIS SPRINKLER	DISTANCE TO POINT A	DISTANCE TO POINT B	DISTANCE TO POINT C
231	143	176	179
250	167	189	200

J 252
 4 201
 3 174
 2 149
 1 111

1

2

3





4

J



DEPTH = 38 • WIDTH = 41



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1	527	514	489	458	421
2	161	148	132	118	99
3	421	410	390	370	351
4	399	390	373	346	302
5	385	369	356	322	291
6	223	200	188	160	141
7	444	430	415	389	375
8	179	170	152	127	121
9	515	503	479	447	414
OUT	3254	3134	2974	2737	2515
10	443	416	387	375	306
11	202	189	163	140	118
12	447	431	397	358	252
13	629	572	550	515	480
14	478	439	421	357	333
15	185	175	163	141	123
16	414	400	382	354	333
17	415	397	374	348	326
18	535	519	488	474	429
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TOT	7002	6672	6299	5799	5215



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				9	4	11	
				13	3	13	
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				17	3	15	
				7	5	5	
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				12	4	14	
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				16	4	12	
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