

## Father's Day Gift Guide: The 10 Best Golf Trips Around The World



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Villa del Palmar at the Islands of Loreto in Loreto, Mexico

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Now more than ever, memorable trips and enriching travel experiences are taking precedence over material gifts. With that in mind, with Father's Day right around the corner, there's never been a better time to gift the golfer in your life a special trip he'll never forget.

According to a new Economic Impact Study by the National Golf Foundation, golf tourism reached over \$31 billion in 2022 and as the rise in golf travel and golf-centric vacations continues to grow, hotels and resorts around the world are now offering unique deals and golf packages perfect for players of all skill sets.

Whether your dad plays 36-holes every other week or is just starting out in the game, from the rolling fairways of Scotland to postcard perfect views Hawaii, these nine golf destinations are not only a hole in one, they are the perfect way to show your dad some love, just in time for Father's Day.

St. Andrews, Scotland

Old Course Hotel, Golf Resort & Spa in St Andrews, Scotland

Old Course Story

St. Andrews, Scotland has long been considered a top tier golf destination, and set directly along the greens of the world's oldest golf course, **Old Course Hotel** is the perfect place to treat your dad to a trip he'll never forget.

Old Course recently underwent a major renovation in 2021, and this year will be offering

travelers a special golf package timed to the Old Course Hotel Pro-Am event in September that includes three tournament rounds played at The Duke's, Kingsbarns and Dumbarrie Links. Top prizes will include an awards dinner and three nights at the Old Course Hotel, as well as a welcome drink reception, breakfast, morning refreshments, and daily lunch as well as a final night dinner and entertainment.

Tuscany, Italy

Toscana Resort **Castelfalfi** is a family-owned luxury escape in Tuscany on 2,700 acres of protected ... [+] vineyards, olive groves, lakes, and a wildlife reserve.

Toscana Resort **Castelfalfi**

Nestled within 2,700 acres of vineyards, olive groves, lakes, and a wildlife reserve in the heart of Tuscany, **Castelfalfi Toscana Resort Castelfalfi** in Italy is also home to a championship golf course at **Castelfalfi**. Golf Club**Castelfalfi**.

The family-owned luxury retreat in the shadow of the medieval village of **Castelfalfi** has been renovated recently and among the upgrades now includes 151-beautifully appointed rooms with breathtaking views of the surrounding hills and vineyards. Guests here can choose from the more challenging 18-hole Mountain Course or charming 9-hole Lake Course. There's a Golf Academy at the Club as well as a variety of options from Unlimited Golf to a Golfers All Inclusive package.

Rancho Mirage, California

Sensei Porcupine Creek has opened up its best-in-class nearly 75-acre golf course that was formerly ... [+] invite-only and used by top golf professionals.

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**Sensei Porcupine Creek** opened in November 2022, and spread across the 230-acre private estate in Rancho Mirage, California is the stunning 75-acre golf course.

Formerly invite-only, Porcupine Creek guests are now cordially invited to play the 18-hole course which offers panoramic views from each of the elevated tee boxes. For travelers those looking to book something truly special this year, the Golf Optimal Wellbeing Program is a five-night sports performance program that includes one-on-one lessons and video analysis with a dedicated golf professional as well as unlimited rounds of golf among many other perks.

Frisco, Texas

Omni PGA Frisco Hotel

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**Omni PGA Frisco Resort** opened on the campus of PGA of America HQ in Frisco, Texas in May and has already established itself as a golf destination in its own right. Spread across 660-acres, 35-minutes outside of Dallas, this shiny new hotel offers 500-luxury ranch inspired guest rooms and suites, as well as ten Texas Ranch Homes, a destination Mokara Spa and 13 restaurants and bars on property.

Just in time for Father's Day, treat your dad to the Fields Ranch Championship Golf Experience package, which includes a tee time at Field Ranch Course along with a customized swag bag. Other golf centric activities including the 10-hole short course called The Swing, a two-acre putting green called The Dance Floor, and a Lounge by

Topgolf at the PGA Frisco coaching center, a retail and entertainment district, and Icehouse, a modern ranch-style beer garden concept with six live hitting bays.

**Kailua-Kona, Hawaii**

Four Seasons Resort Hualālai, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Four Seasons Resort Hualālai

Set along the Kona-Kohala Coast on the Big Island of Hawaii, **Four Seasons Resort Hualālai** is not only a Forbes Five-Star property, but the 18-hole Jack Nicklaus designed Hualālai Golf Course is easily one of the most scenic golf destinations in the world.

With gorgeous greens juxtaposed against the island's striking black lava, from the 3,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art golf complex and practice facility at The Hualālai Golf Hale to the Hualālai driving range is equipped with an indoor Topgolf Swing Suite, this is a great destination for golfers of all ages.

Loreta, Mexico

Best known for its secluded, unspoiled setting, the award-winning Villa del Palmar resort is home ... [+] to the exceptional TPC Danzante Bay, boasting some of the most striking, high-stakes holes in golf.

Villa del Palmar

Dubbed the "Galápagos of Mexico," **Villa del Palmar at the Islands of Loreto** is set on a dramatic bluff along the Baja California Peninsula. Widely known for its secluded, unspoiled setting and breathtaking views and location, the award-winning resort is home to the TPC Danzante Bay which boasts some of the most striking, high-stakes holes in golf.

As the only TPC designated course in Mexico, greens here showcase the splendid vistas of Mexico's beautiful Loreto Bay National Park whose valleys, arroyos, dunes, and foothills make this must-visit trip to gift your dad this year. This year, you can choose from a variety of golf packages including the Summer Family Golf Program or a Stay and Play Golf Package that includes accommodations and two rounds of golf.

Keswick, Virginia

Enjoy a round of golf at Keswick Hall's championship golf course in Virginia

Keswick Hall

**Keswick Hall** is a recently renovated Forbes Five-Star resort that offers golfers an elegant resort experience along with a signature Jean-Georges restaurant, Marigold, and access to some of the best wineries in the region.

After a day on Full Cry—the Pete Dye designed 18-hole golf course — golfers can relax in the hotel's stunning, brand-new spa, or take a dip in the hotel's stunning infinity pool. This summer, you can book a Golf Package which includes accommodations and tee times on The Cry, as well as clubs, cart rental and Keswick Hall hat for you to keep.

Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia

Cabot Cape Breton, the famed luxury golf resort on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia.

Cabot Cape Breton

Home to the 72-key **Cabot Cape Breton** hotel, Nova Scotia has long served as a bucket

list destination for golfers thanks to its dramatic setting atop majestic cliffs overlooking the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

With 19-golf villas and stunning ocean views from every room, the hotel offers guests three of the most stunning world-class golf courses, including Cabot Links and The Nest, a new par-3, 10-hole short course allows for a quicker pace of play and is meant to be more inclusive for families and budding golfers alike.

Kohler, Wisconsin

For the dad with the ultimate golf course bucket-list, Destination Kohler offers some of the most ... [+] noteworthy courses and amenities around the world.

Destination Kohler

Featuring two world renowned golf courses at Whistling Straits and Blackwolf Run, Kohler, Wisconsin has emerged as one of the country's leading golf destinations. Inspired by the rugged landscapes in Ireland, sheep roam the course and cliffs along the Lake Michigan here. There are a few hotel options including **The American Club Resort Hotel** and **The Carriage House** which provides direct access to Kohler Waters Spa.

For the outdoorsmen out there, the **Cabin Collection** offers a rare opportunity to disconnect from the outside world. Just in time for Father's Day, you can now book a behind the scenes tour of the Champions Locker Room which showcases golf pros lockers including Tiger Woods, John Daly and other PGA Championship and Ryder Cup memorabilia.

Rancho Palos Verdes, California

Terranea Resort in Rancho Palos Verdes

Terranea Resort

Set on 102-acres above coastal bluffs overlooking the Pacific Ocean in Southern California, **Terranea Resort** offers an award-winning 9-hole par-three golf course, golf lounge, oceanfront mini golf, and so much more.

Ideal for all skill levels, **The Links at Terranea** is perfect for experienced golfers and scratch golfers alike. This year, The Links will offer two unique experiences including Couples on the Course as a way for two to spend a golf-packed hour filled with professional instruction and a scenic oceanfront round at The Links, as well as Family Golf FUNDamentals designed for novice golf families or couples who want to learn more about the game.