

Golf Time Rewarded

atin scholars will easily translate the Purgatory Golf Club scorecard motto, "Tempur In Nortrum Situm Bene Premiatur." Golfers will experience it. It's as true of this award winning, public access, resort quality course in Noblesville, just northeast of Indianapolis, as it is for any of the 14 public and seven private courses that flag this golf crazy county.

Just past its 12th anniversary, Purgatory has hosted national qualifiers, as well as state and county championships. Its six sets of tees offer golfers of all skill levels a crafted round of links-style golf that starts at 4,560 yards and can stretch up to 7,750.

Ranked among America's Top 50 courses for women, it has two sets of forward tees that require as much precision as the lengthier ones, along with restrooms every three holes. Up to date clothing and shoe lines plus the warm ambiance of the mountain lodge clubhouse have made

Purgatory a popular couples getaway. Indeed, love and golf are compatible at Purgatory.

The course adds a bit of mystical charm in naming each hole. On the front nine, the Siren, the Centaur and the Impenetrable Fortress captivate. Back nine signature holes include Eternal Torment, a long par 5; the uniquely bunkered Blinding Cloud of Smoke, and the often photographed, Hell's Half Acre.

Purgatory joins other noteworthy Hamilton County courses such as Carmel's Prairie View Golf Club and Plum Creek Golf Club; Westfield's Wood Wind Golf Club; Fisher's River Glen Country Club and Cicero's Bear Slide Golf Club. Nearby Indy courses such as The Fort Golf Resort and Brickyard Crossing are also added in stay-and-play packages offered by the Hamilton County Visitors Bureau. Check out the golf directory at IndianasPremierGolf.com.

Oh, the Latin translation? You've guessed it. "Time Spent Here Is Well Rewarded." ■