

Senior Women's Invitation Match

EUROPE VERSUS NORTH AMERICA

4-6 June 2008 Centro Nacional de Golf, Spain



Consejo
Superior de
Deportes





Program

2008 SWIM SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 31st

Arrivals and hotel check-in

Hotel AC Monte Real (Arroyofresno 17. Puerta de Hierro.
28035 Madrid. Tel: 91 7365273)
Players should organize their own transportation to the hotel
(15 minutes by taxi)

Sunday, June 1st

10:00 hrs.
11:00 – 12:30 hrs.
13:30 hrs.

Visit to Royal Palace

Bus departs from AC Monte Real hotel to Centro Nacional de Golf
Visit Royal Palace
Lunch hosted by European team at Restaurante Viejo Madrid
(Cava Baja, 32)
Bus returns to the hotel

Monday, June 2nd

08:30 hrs.
09:00 – 09:30 hrs.

Practice round

*Shuttle departs Hotel AC Monte Real to Centro Nacional de Golf.
Practice rounds. NA: 09:00; 09:10, Europe: 09:20; 09:30. Lunch**

Tuesday, June 3rd

08:30 hrs.
09:00 – 09:30 hrs.
18:30 hrs.
19:00 hrs.

Practice round

Depart Hotel AC Monte Real to Centro Nacional de Golf
Practice rounds. Europe: 09:00; 09:10. NA: 09:20; 09:30. Lunch**
Team pictures
Welcome Party at Centro Nacional de Golf.
Dinner hosted by Royal Spanish Golf Federation.
Depart Centro Nacional de Golf to Hotel AC Monte Real

Wednesday, June 4th

08:15 hrs.
09:30 – 10:00 hrs.
20:00 hrs.

Four Fourball – Best ball Matches

Depart Hotel AC Monte Real to Centro Nacional de Golf
Matches. Lunch**
Dinner (place TBD) hosted by North American team

Thursday, June 5th

08:15 hrs.
09:30 – 10:00 hrs.

Four Foursome Matches

Depart from Hotel AC Monte Real to Centro Nacional
Matches. Lunch**

Friday, June 6th

08:00 hrs.
09:00 – 10:10 hrs.
19:30 hrs.

Eight Single matches

Depart Hotel AC Monte Real to Centro Nacional de Golf
Matches. Lunch**
Closing dinner at Real Club de la Puerta de Hierro, hosted by The Royal
Spanish Golf Federation.
Prize giving ceremony

*Each team captain will have a 9-seat van at their own disposal for transportation during the week.

** Lunch will be available at the Club everyday.

Welcome Letter



Welcome letter from Emma Villacieros President of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation

On behalf of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation, it is my pleasure to welcome the participants of the 2008 Senior Women's Invitation Match, that reaches this year its 22nd edition, showing the importance that has achieved during the past years this singular golf competition, that was first hosted in New Orleans in 1986.

It also gives me great pleasure to welcome the members of the teams, captains and officials, as well as to all referees, visitors and guests. I hope that your stay in Madrid will be a memorable one, and that you will enjoy the hospitality and emplacement of our city, with lovely surroundings and sunny weather, that I hope will accompany us along the whole week.

My warmest thanks to the officials and staff of Centro Nacional de Golf, venue of the Senior Women's Invitation Match from 4th to 6th June. Their outstanding support, hard work and dedication to present the course and sport facilities in such good conditions is greatly appreciated.

I wish you all a memorable and successful match, and whatever the outcome, both teams are to be congratulated for their spirit and skill.

**Emma Villacieros
President RFEG**

Senior Women's Invitation Match

The Senior Women's Invitation Match is a golf competition between outstanding senior women from Europe and North America. It is the outcome of conversations among a number of international players who felt that the friendships formed around the world through competitive golf and golf administrations should continue.

During the 1980 World Team Championship at Pinehurst, North Carolina, discussions took place between Anne Bouton, member of the French Federation; Lally Segard, one of the leading post-war women amateur golfers and also Chairman of the Women's Committee of the World Amateur Golf Council; Evelyn Monsted, a former Captain of the U.S. Curtis Cup and World Amateurs team and Judy Bell, Curtis Cup Team player and Captain and future President of the United States Golf Association.



Plans were discussed to create a high caliber competition for a team of senior women from North America and a team from Europe, similar to the Curtis Cup Match, the women's amateurs team competition between the United States and Great Britain and Ireland, so



rich in tradition and prestige. The aim was to establish a match play competition for senior women who have competed successfully on a high national or international level or otherwise have been promoting or developing golf for women in their country.

Further discussions about the match continued in 1984 at the Curtis Cup Match between the United States and Great Britain and Ireland. Evelyn Monsted was invited to visit and renew her friendship with Anne Bouton and Louise van den Verghe in Belgium. It was decided the first match would be in the United States and two years later a second match would be held in Europe.

Finally in 1986, the inaugural S.W.I.M. was held at the New Orleans Country Club in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA. The winning North America team was presented with a trophy donated by Anne Bouton and Evelyn Monsted, the two founder and not-playing Captains of the first match.

From North America, there were some legendary players: Judy Bell, Curtis Cup Team player and Captain and future President of the USGA; Dorothy Porter, US Amateurs and USGA Senior Champion;



Alice Dye, USGA Senior Champion Curtis Cup Team player and World Team Captain; Barbara McIntire, U.S. Women`s Amateur Champion, British Amateur Champion, Curtis Cup and World Team player and Captain; Betty Probasco, Curtis Cup Team Amateur Champion; and Marlene Streit, Canada, Canadian LGA Amateur Champion, World Team player and Captain.



Among participants from Europe were such famous players as Lally Segard, British and French Champion, Chairman of the Women`s Committee of the World amateur Golf Council; Emma Villacieros de García-Ogara, Spanish Champion, World Team player and current Chairman of the Spanish Federatin of Golf; Belle Robertson, Scottish and British Champion, British Curtis Cup and World Team player and Captain; Barbro Montgomery, Captain of the Swedish World Team, member of the Senior European Team; and Louise van den Berghe, Belgium Amateur and Senior Champion, World Amateur Team player and Captain.



The S.W.I.M. is held alternately in North America and Europe. In North America it has been played at New Orleans Country Club, Louisiana; Old Marsh Golf Club, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida; Mid Pines Golf Club, Southern Pines, North Carolina; Merion Golf Club, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Southern Hills Country Club, Tulsa, Oklahoma; The Toronto Glof Club, Toronto, Canada; The Honors Club, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Portage Country Club, Akron, Ohio; Columbia Edgewater Country Club, Portland, Oregon; The Hartford Golf Club, West Hartford, Connecticut. In Europe it has been played at Saint Cloud, Paris; Prestwick, Scotland; Valderrama, Spain; Drottningholm, Sweden; Royal Golf Club of Belgium, Ravenstein, Belgium; Schonenberg Golf and Country Club, Zurich, Switzerland; Hoosegor, France; Garlenda, Italy; Gutach, Germany.

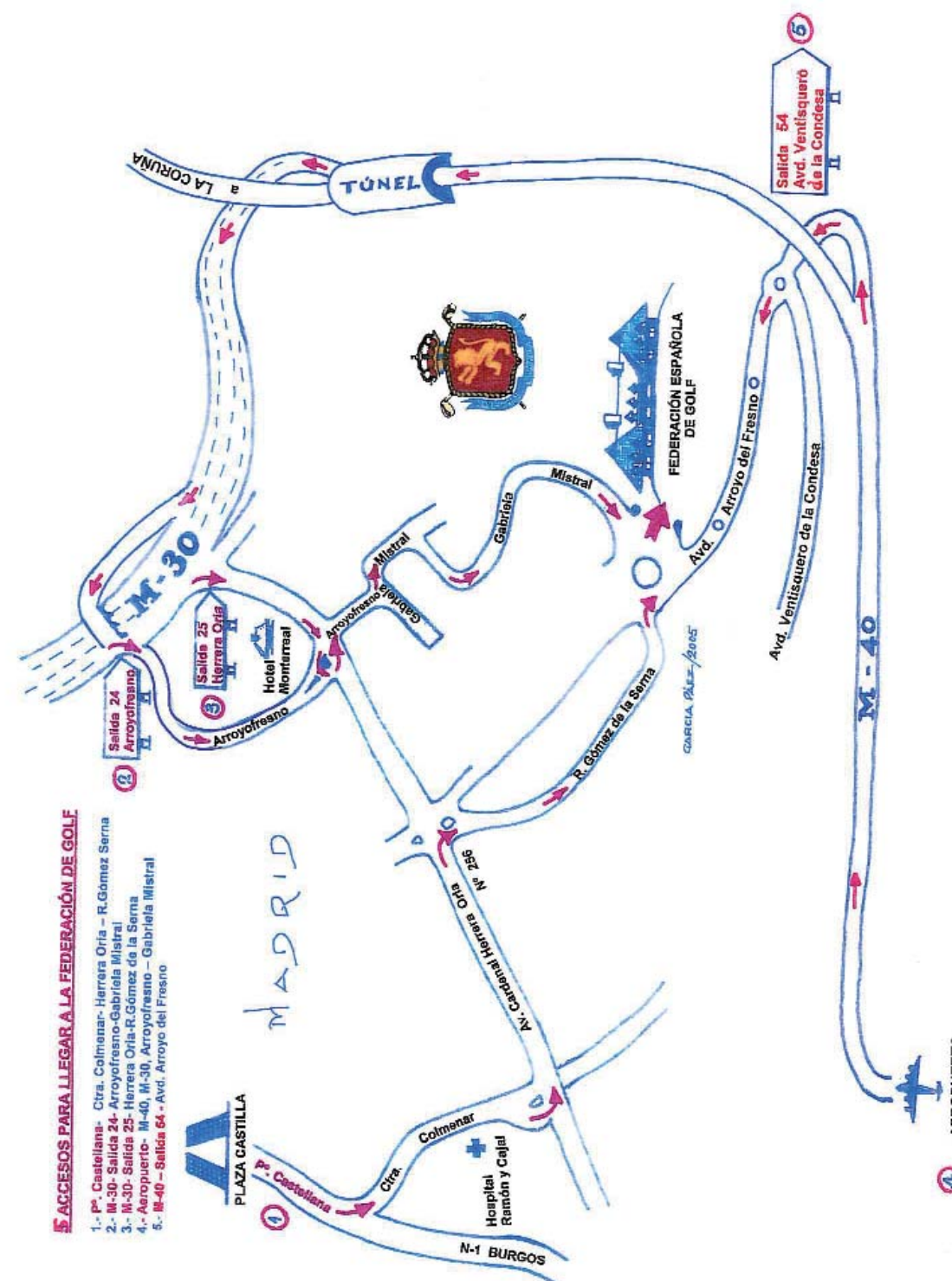


This year, the 22nd S.W.I.M. will be played in Madrid, Spain, at the Centro Nacional de Golf.



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Hole by hole

Centro Nacional de Golf hole by hole description

HOLE 1 (390 metres from the red tees) Par 5.

Long hole to start the round. The tee shot, played from elevated tees, should be kept left of fairway. Accurate placement of the second shot will enable the player to attack the various pin positions, strategically guarded by bunkers, with his third.

HOLE 2 (286 metres) Par 4.

Sharp dogleg to the right. The front of the green is protected by a deep single bunker.

HOLE 3 (123 metres) Par 3.

A frontal bunker guards the left and centre of the green.

HOLE 4 (295 metres) Par 4.

The tee is level with the fairway which is lined by bunkers to the left and separated from the 5th fairway by land shaping to the right.

HOLE 5 (391 metres) Par 5.

The drive landing area is protected by two large bunkers. The green is guarded by frontal and lateral bunkers.



HOLE 6 (274 metres) Par 4.

The tee shot must be kept left of fairway in order to avoid various bunkers and hazards to the right. A bunker guards the right side of the green. Out of bounds behind the green.

HOLE 7 (276 metres) Par 4.

Small green requiring a very precise second shot and skilful putting.

HOLE 8 (306 metres) Par 4.

A downhill hole requiring an accurate tee shot in order to avoid a dangerous bunker to the left of the fairway. The drive landing area undulates gently towards the green

HOLE 9 (120 metres) Par 3.

From an elevated tee a lake and a large bunker guarding the left side can be seen.

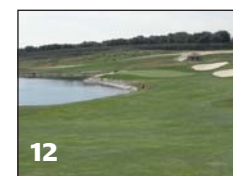
Hole by hole

HOLE 10 (380 metres) Par 5.

Slightly uphill tee shot. The left side of the fairway is lined with bunkers. The green is guarded by deep bunkers.

HOLE 11 (309 metres) Par 4.

Slightly uphill fairway, very friendly for tee shots aimed right but well defended for those who take a left shortcut.



HOLE 12 (312 metres) Par 4.

Both sides of the drive landing area are well protected. The second shot is played with a full view of the green down below and of the lake that defends its left side.

HOLE 13 (256 metres) Par 4.

Players can be tempted to find a shortcut to the green in this uphill hole, strategically defended by bunkers and land shaping.

HOLE 14 (127 metres) Par 3.

The elevated tees allow full visibility of the green down below which features two bunkers to the left.

HOLE 15 (305 metres) Par 4.

The natural drop of the land provides this hole with elevated tees. The front of the green is guarded by three large bunkers.



HOLE 16 (378 metres) Par 5.

The fairway is protected by a lake all along its left side. Its right side is lined by bunkers and a long sand dune. The slightly elevated green is well defended.

HOLE 17 (110 metres) Par 3.

This hole features a lake on the left side. The large gently undulating green allows for many pin positions.



HOLE 18 (295 metres) Par 4.

Elevated tees with the RFEG headquarters in the background for this finishing hole. The drive landing area is protected by bunkers on both sides. The green features a lake to the right and bunkers to the left and behind.

Par 72. 4933 metres from the red tees.



History



Centro Nacional de Golf: a young course, and yet a vintage course

The hosting of the Senior Women Invitation Match 2008 edition will no doubt mean a new step towards maturity for Centro Nacional de Golf, headquarters of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation. Centro Nacional, a public course well known for its top class year-round maintenance, has not only become a reference point for Madrid golfers due to its excellent offer at popular prices, but has also made itself a reputation in international golf, having successfully hosted some important professional events.

The first professional tournament held on its grounds, the Spanish OKI Mahon Challenge, took place in September 2006, barely five months after its inauguration by H. M. King Juan Carlos. French professional Adrien Mork had the privilege of starting the Centro Nacional winners list.

But not until April 2007 did a European Tour event, the Spanish Open, bring top level golf back to Madrid for the benefit of a big gallery.

Despite unusually heavy rainfall that week in central Spain, the tournament was a complete success, as the course drained beautifully and superb golf was followed by crowds of enthusiastic spectators. The outstanding course condition was highly praised.



History

It is now for the 2008 Senior Women Invitation Match to confirm Centro Nacional as a first class tournament course.

Day to day activity at Centro Nacional, away from media attention, deals with an increasing number of starting times and provides golf instruction to more than 2.000 players at a more than reasonable price. On the other hand, Centro Nacional de Golf has opened its facilities this year to business and commercial events, thus deepening its roots in the Spanish golfing community.

Following this policy, Centro Nacional has reached in barely two years a level of maturity that awaits confirmation from the 2008 Senior Women Invitation Match to be played from July 4 to 6.



Course

Opened: 2005

Course Designer: Thomas, Vidaor & Soler

Special Features: No trees, very exposed

General Playability: Will play quite tough as the rough is quite high and penal

Undulating / flat: Quite hilly

Tree lined / exposed: Exposed

Many / few water hazards: Water in play on holes 9, 12, 16, 17 & 18

Changes to the course: The following holes have been lengthened: 2, 4, 5, 10, 13, 15, 16 & 18





Conditions of play

The Senior Women’s Invitation Match is being contested by teams of senior women amateur golfers representing Europe on one side and North America on the other.

The teams consist of not more than eight players and a non-playing-captain, who can still enter the team any time as a substitute for a serious reason. The Committee will be sole judge on both sides.

The teams play over three consecutive days: four 18-hole four-ball matches, four 18-hole foursomes matches and eight 18-holes singles matches.

Victory in a match scores one point. When a match goes the full 18 holes without a decision, extra holes are not played and one-half point is awarded to each team.

In the event of a tie in total points scored, the winning team will be decided by most “ups”.

Play will be governed by the rules of the United States Golf Association and the Royal & Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

PLAY SUSPENDED BECAUSE OF BAD WEATHER

If one day is washed out, the two other rounds played will count for the final result.

If two days are washed out, the only round played will count for the final result.

In case there is only one round played and some matches are washed out, if there is a tie, the results will be defined by “ups”.

If part of a day is washed out, only the matches completed will count

INTERNATIONAL REFEREES:	Pablo Chaves and Julián Zulueta
SWIM COMMITTEE:	EUROPE Chairman: Louise van den Berghe Delegate: Anne Bouton NORTH AMERICA Chairman: Mary Capouch
CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE:	Ana Monfort Mabel Pascual del Pobil Referees: Pablo Chaves and Julián Zulueta

Senior Women’s Invitation Matches
North America vs Europe
1986 – 2007

1986	New Orleans Golf Club, New Orleans, Louisiana	October 20-21
1987	Saint-Cloud Golf Club, París, France	October 28-29
1988	Old Marsh Golf Club, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida	September 21-22
1989	Prestwick Golf Club, Prestwick, Scotland	August 30, September 1
1991	Mid-Pines Golf Club, Southern Pines, North Carolina	October 15-16
1992	Valderrama Golf Club, Sotogrande, Spain	June 10-11
1993	Merion Golf Club, Ardmore, Pennsylvania	October 7-8
1994	Drottningholm Golfklubb, Drottningholm, Sweden	July 13-15
1995	Southern Hills Golf and Country Club, Tulsa, Oklahoma	September 21-23
1996	Royal Golf Club de Belgique, Ravenstein, Belgium	June 12-14
1997	The Toronto Golf Club, Port Credit, Ontario, Canada	October 1-3
1998	Schönenberg Golf and Country Club, Zurich, Switzerland	July 22-24
1999	The Honors Course, Chattanooga, Tennessee	September 7-9
2000	Hoosegor Golf Club, Hoosegor, France	June 28-30
2001	Cancelled	(September 11)
2002	Freiburg Golf Club and Gutach Golf Club, Gutach, Germany	August 8-10
2003	Portage Country Club, Akron, Ohio	October 7-9
2004	Golf Club Garlenda, Garlenda, Italy	June 23-25
2005	Columbia-Edgewater Country Club, Portland, Oregon	October 12-14
2006	Saint-Cloud Golf Club, París, France	July 5-7
2007	The Hartford Golf Club, West Hartford, Connecticut	October 10-12



Senior Women’s Invitation Match 2008

USA Team

Captain: Mary Capouch	USA 🇺🇸
Carolyn Creekmore	USA 🇺🇸
Nancy Fitzgerald	USA 🇺🇸
Linda Fee Tingley	USA 🇺🇸
Reggie Parker	USA 🇺🇸
Diane Lang	USA 🇺🇸
Ann Probert	USA 🇺🇸
Jackie Rosart	USA 🇺🇸
Connie Shorb	USA 🇺🇸

European Team

Captain : Louise van der Berghe	Belgium 🇧🇪
Co-Captain : Anne Bouton	France 🇫🇷
Beatriz Ramírez de Haro	Spain 🇪🇸
Vicky Pertierra	Spain 🇪🇸
Marina Buscaini	Italy 🇮🇹
Virginie Burrus	Switzerland 🇨🇭
Anne Lanrezac	France 🇫🇷
Mimmi Gugbilmone	Switzerland 🇨🇭
Valérie Hasset	Ireland 🇮🇪
Dominique Peltzer	Belgium 🇧🇪

🇺🇸 USA Team



CAPTAIN: MARY CAPOUCH 🇺🇸 Mandeville, Louisiana
Captain, 2002 U.S. Women’s World Amateur Team, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; USGA Women’s Committee 1984-2000, Chairman 1999 & 2000; Chairman U.S. Women’s Mid-Amateur Championship Committee 1991-1994; player in 1987 & 1988 U.S. Women’s Mid-Amateur Championship; five-time New Orleans Country Club Champion; four-time Ladies Country Club Golf Association Champion (New Orleans metro area); 2005 Louisiana Golf Association Distinguished Service Award recipient; member of Louisiana Audubon Golf Trail Commission since its inception in 2000; Vice-Chairman, inaugural S.W.I.M., New Orleans Country Club, 1986.



CAROLYN CREEKMORE 🇺🇸 Dallas, Texas
1994 Women’s Texas Golf Association Amateur, Runner-up; 1995 Champion. 1997 Texas Women’s Amateur GA Champion. 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 Texas Senior Women’s Champion. 2007 Texas Women’s Open Champion. 2003 Dallas City Champion. 1996, 1998, 2001 Dallas Morning News Tournament of Champions, Winner; 2006 Runner-up. 2003 Women’s Southern Golf Association, quarterfinalist; 2004 Runner-up; 2005 Senior, Runner-up. 2006 North & South Senior Amateur Champion; 2005 & 2007 Runner-up. Ione D. Jones /Doherty Senior Championship, 2005 Quarterfinalist, 2007 Runner-up, 2008 Semifinalist. Member, 2005 USGA Copa de las Americas Team. 2004 USGA Senior Women’s Amateur Champion; 2003 & 2005 Quarterfinalist. 1997 & 1999 U.S. Women’s Mid-Amateur Championship, Quarterfinalist. USGA State Team Championship, played on 2nd place Texas team 1995; 1997, 1999, 3rd in 2005, 2007.



NANCY FITZGERALD 🇺🇸 Carmel, Indiana
Five-time winner of Indiana Women’s State Championship 1978,1981,1992, 2004 and 2006; three-time low Amateur and twice runner-up in Indiana Women’s Open; winner of 1989 National Club Championship; tied for first in 1994 USGA Senior Women’s Championship - lost in 18-hole playoff; winner of USGA Senior Women’s Championship in 1997 and Runner-up in 2003; three-time winner of Canadian Senior Women’s Open Championship (1996-98); three-time winner of Senior Women’s Trans-Mississippi Championship; Indiana Golf Hall of Fame 1990; Kalamazoo Michigan Hall of Fame 1996.; 2006 named Indiana Golfer of the Year and received the Alice O’Neal Dye trophy.



USA Team



DIANE LANG 🇺🇸 Weston, Florida

2004, 2005 & 2006 Broward County Amateur Champion, 2007 Runner-up. 2000-2008 Weston Hills Country Club Champion. 2006 Florida State Stroke Play, second. 2006 Florida State Senior Champion. 2005 & 2006 USGA Senior Women's Amateur Champion, semifinalist 2007. 2006 & 2007 U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur, 2nd round. 2007 USGA State Team Championship, played on third-place Florida team.



REGGIE PARKER 🇺🇸 Hobe Sound, Florida 1980 Co-Champion Florida International 4 Ball; 1991 Bermuda National Amateur Champion; 2000 Rhode Island State Champion; 2004 New England Women's Amateur Champion; 2004 Quarter-finalist USGA Senior Women's Amateur; 2004 Vermont State Senior Women's Champion; 2005 Quarter-finalist USGA Senior Women's Amateur, 2005 Vermont State Women's Champion & Vermont State Women's Match Play Champion; 2006 Vermont State Mid Am Champion; 2007 Vermont State Senior Women's Champion



ANN PROBERT 🇺🇸 New Vernon, New Jersey

Fifth-place 1993 USGA Senior Women's Championship; four-time Women's Metropolitan Golf Association Stroke Play Champion (1980,1981,1984,1985); winner 1985 WMGA Match Play Championship; two-time Runner-Up WMGA Senior Championship; two-time N.J. State Champion; three-time NJ State Senior Champion; twelve-time Women's NJ Golf Association Champion; twenty-two time Somerset Hills C.C. Champion; eleven-time Griscom Cup Team Member; four-time member of French/American International Team; Co-Chairman with husband, Ted, of 1983 U.S. Girls' Junior Championship and 1990 Curtis Cup Match at Somerset Hills CC; USGA Women's Committee 1995-2006; Chairman of USGA Senior Women's Championship Committee 2000-2003; President of Women's Metropolitan Golf Association 1989-1990, Chairman of MGA Junior Girls Golf 1987-1992.

USA Team



JACKIE ROSART 🇺🇸 Burlington, Ontario, Canada

Member of Ontario Senior Team; Ten-time Ontario Senior Amateur Champion; 1997, 2003 Runner-up in Canadian Senior Amateur.



CONNIE HIRSCHMAN SHORB 🇺🇸 York, Pennsylvania

Country Club of York Champion, 41 times. York County Amateur Champion 29 times, and nine-time Senior Champion. Three-time Pennsylvania State Champion, finalist three times, medalist four times. Five-time Pennsylvania State Senior Champion. 1971 Lone D. Jones/Doherty Women's Championship Runner-up; Senior—1999 Runner-up, 2007 Champion. Women's Eastern Amateur – tied for 6th, 2000; 2001 Senior Champion, Runner-up 2002. 1983 U.S. Women's Amateur, round of 16. 1998 USGA Senior Women's Amateur, round of 16; Quarterfinalist, 2002. USGA State Team Championship, played for Pennsylvania 2001 & 2003. Past President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Division Representative of Pennsylvania State Golf Association. Member, Rollins College Sports Hall of Fame.



LIDA FEE TINGLEY 🇺🇸 Bloomfield, Connecticut

1965 Medalist and 1965 & 1966 Quarter-finalist U.S. Women's Amateur; 1980 Second low amateur U.S. Women's Open; third-place 1993 USGA Women's Senior -Amateur; two-time New England Women's Champion; two-time winner of Palm Beach Polo Four-Ball (with Leslie Shannon, 1985 and Connie Shorb, 2001); four-time Ohio State Champion; six-time Connecticut Women's Golf Association Champion; four-time Connecticut State Women's Amateur Champion; CT Golf Hall of Fame; member of USGA Women's Committee 1986-1998; Chairman USGA Women's Mid-Am Championship Committee 1995-1998.



European Team

EUROPEAN Team



CAPTAIN: LOULOU van den BERGHE 🇧🇪 Brussels, Belgium

Belgium Champion 1968, 1970, 1972, Finalist 1967; Belgium Senior Champion 1985, 1986 1995; Runner-up Belgium International 1972; Spanish International Champion 1960; Continental Team, Vagliano Matches 1970-1973; member of Belgium World Team 1964; Captain Belgium Team 1966-1982; Founding member of S.W.I.M.



CO-CAPTAIN: ANNE BOUTON 🇫🇷 Paris, France

Honorary President Seniors Ladies Association; S.W.I.M Non-playing captain since 1986, President French Senior Ladies Association; Captain European Amateur Team Championship 1971-1973; playing Captain French Senior Team, European Championship 1984-1995 (winning Team 1985, 1986, 1988 and 1993); Co-founder of S.W.I.M.



VIRGINIE BURRUS 🇨🇭 Geneva, Switzerland

French Junior Champion; Ladies French Foursome Champion; Member of Ladies French Championship Team; Member of the French Junior Team; Leman, Switzerland Champion, Team Champion of First Division, Switzerland; International Amateur Swiss Xhampion 2007; European Individual Champion 2007; French Senior Champion 2007.



MIMMI GUGLIELMO 🇨🇭 Lugano, Switzerland

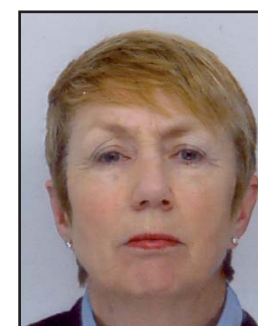
Runner-up Italian Junior National Championship 1964; Italian National Champion Second Division 1964; Italian Foursome Championship 1984; Italian Mid-Amateur National Champion 1991; Member of the Italian Junior National Team; Member of the Swiss National Team; National Swiss Senior Ladies Championship 1998, 2000, 2002 & 2006; National Swiss Senior Ladies Runner-up 1999&2001.

European Team



MARINA BUSCAINI 🇮🇹 Milan, Italy

Member of Italian Team World Championship 11 times; mener of Continental Team Vagliano 7 times; winner 1965 & 1967 Italian Junior Championship; seven-time winner Italian Championship Match Play, Italian Championship Medal 1978-79 81; International Italian Championship 1972-73, 78; five-time Italian Championship Foursome; Italian Championship Mid-Amateur 1995; winner International Moroccan Championship 1975; second place Italian Championship Medal and Match Play 1988; Finalist International French Championship 1968, 76; winner International French Championship , Medal Qualification 1976, 80; second-place European Penina Championship Team 1975; fith-place International Colombian Individual Championship 1975; eight-place World Team Championship, Mexico, Individual 1968; 1st European 6th Amateur, 16th Absolute Open, Australia 1976; second -place British Championship Match Play; Finalist International Spanish Championship 1984&1985; C. S. F. and Captain of National Italian Team since 1990; Senior Italian Champion 2006.



VALERIE HASSETT 🇮🇪 County Clare, Ireland

Winner British Open Seniors 1996 2nd British Open Seniors 1997&1998; 2nd USGA Women's Senior Amateur 1998; winner Irish Seniors Open 1998; 5th tied Canadian Seniors; top 10 in European Senior 1998; winner of Irish Seniors Open 1999; Winner Munster Championship 1999; top 10 in European Seniors 1999; 2nd in British Open Seniors 1999; Winner of Irish Seniors 2000; tied 5th in British Seniors Open 2000; tied 6th in European Seniors 2000; 4th Portuguese Seniors Open 2000; 3rd in Irish Open 2000; Winner with Pamela Williamson of International Fursomes 2002; Irish Team of European Team Event 2002; winner with Pamela Williamson of International Foursomes 2003; 2nd in Irish Seniors Open, Irish team for European Seniors Event 2003.



ANNE LANZERAC 🇫🇷 Paris, France

European Champion (junior Team) 1970, 1973, 1974; French Junior Champion 1970; French National Champion 1977; Tcheoslovaquia International Champion 1970; Dutch International Champion 1977; Luxembourg International Champion 1987; Golf medal Mediterranean Team 1991; 13-time French Team Champion between 1969 & 2003; member of the Vagliano Team 1973; Captain of French Ladies Team 1999 & 2000; member of the FFGolf Executive Committee since 1988; member of the EGA Championship Committee from 2000 to 204; President of the EGA Executive Committee (officer Southern Zone) since 2006.



European Team



VICKY PERTIERRA 🇪🇸 Mallorca, Spain

National Philippine Junior Champion 1966; National de Sur de Philippine Champion 1967-1969; Winner of Asia Team 1968; Amateur Winner Professional Tour Cincinnati Open, USA 1968 ; Spanish International Champion 1971 ; Winner World Doubles in Brasil 1981; Philippine International Champion 1981; Spanish Mixed Champion 1975 ; International Spanish Doubles Champion 1978 ; Spanish Clubs Champion 1987; Spanish National over 35 years Champions 1990-1992; Winner European Team Champion 1996; International Spanish Senior Champion 1997, 1999, 2001; International Spanish Doubles Senior Champion 2004, 206-2008; Spanish National Senior Champion 1998, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2008; Spanish Senior Doubles Champion 2002, 2004 2006; International Portuguese Double Senior Champion 2004; Runner-up Individual European Senior Championship 1996, 2001-2003.



BEATRIZ RAMIREZ DE HARO 🇪🇸 Madrid , Spain

Luxembourd International Champion 1981; Spanish Mid-Amateur Champion 1992 & runner-up 1993; Spanish National over 35 years Champions 1994; Runner-up in the European Senior Team Championship 1998, 1999, 2003; 3th in European Senior Individual Championship 1999; Spanish Senior Champion 2000 & runner-up 2002; Spanish Senior Doubles Champion 1999-2001, 2003, 2005, 2007 & runner-up 2002; Spanish Senior Mixed Champion 1999 & runner-up 2000; International Spanish Senior Doubles Champion 2000-2003 & runner-up 2007; International Portuguese Double Senior Champion 2005



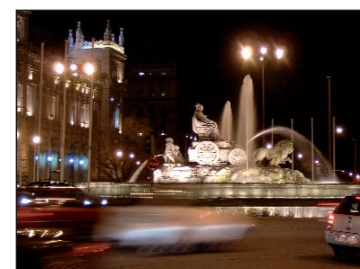
DOMINIQUE PELZER 🇧🇪 Waterloo, Belgium

International Belgium Match Play Champion 1981; National Belgium Mixed Foursome Champion 1985; Runner-up National Belgium Champion 1985; Runner-up Belgium Senior Champion 2001; Seniors Belgium Club Champion 2001-2002; Belgium Club Champion 2003; International Senior Chantaco Champion 2006; International French Cote d'Azur Champion 2008; Member of the French National Senior Teams 2004-2005-2006-2007.

Tourist information



Madrid is a destination as well as a million other things. For many centuries a meeting point, it offers a great deal of cultural, leisure and entertainment activities to please millions of people who visit it every year.



Madrid, with its cosmopolitan air and its growing amount of tourists who visit it the whole year round, still is the open city it has always been and its well known night life has not lost any of its vitality. This modern air harmoniously contrasts with its important old quarters and its cultural traditions.



Its great transportation network makes getting around to any place you wish easy and quick, adding to this the best and most exclusive hotel accommodation network. Tradition and vanguard live together harmoniously, welcoming a dynamic and modern society.

What can I visit in Madrid?

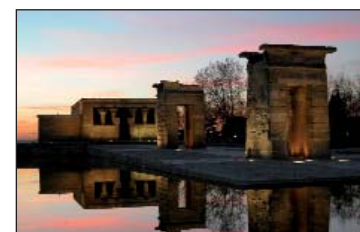
The problem with Madrid culture & arts is picking and choosing what to do. Besides the fantastic permanent collections of the Prado Museum, Reina Sofia Museum and Thyssen Bornemisza, there are dozens other museums, cultural centers, galleries, theaters, cinemas, music venues, flamenco locales, festivals...



The Royal Palace is one of the most visited museums in Madrid. It was built during the 17th and 18th centuries during the Bourbon era, and although it is no longer lived in by the Spanish Royal family, they still use it for state occasions. Inside you can take a tour of many of the lavish rooms.



The Prado is possibly the most famous Madrid art gallery. It houses an extensive collection of works from the 12th to the 19th centuries. If you want to see everything you may need to visit twice to take it all in! You will see some of the worlds most talked about paintings including works by Goya, Rubens and Murillo.



The Reina Sofia Art Gallery also is beautiful...but very different. This is an impressive gallery where you can see fairly recent works from the 20th and 21st centuries. There are a lot of Picasso pieces, including the famous Guernica. You will also find a section dedicated to some modern art sculptures, and there is even a room showing a film written by Luis Buñuel and Salvador Dalí.

Weather in Madrid

Springtime is undoubtedly the nicest season of the year in Madrid. The days are long and the temperatures pleasant, though it can cool down at night. Rain is not uncommon in spring. The summer in Madrid is quite hot, especially in July and August. During those months the temperature can reach 100°F (40°C)!. During the hot summer nights, the temperature does not cool down, making air conditioning almost essential. Rain is infrequent during summer, though there are occasional storms.