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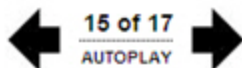
From the exotic to the familiar, the historic to the brand-new, a tour of 17 of the world's best golf destinations.

Each year around this time, golf clubs are summoned from cold garages and basements into living rooms while their owners begin plotting a new season in the sun. Much wool has likely been gathered over the winter: calendars parsed, brownie points calculated, travel budgets massaged upward. To help in this process, we came up with a list of 17 of the best experiences the game has to offer. Admittedly, it's an idiosyncratic mix, with standard picks like top caddies and quaint country retreats alongside more unexpected ones (the farthest-off-the-radar golf nation and a favorite midday feast among them). Some of these highlights can be found at new courses or clubs; others are as old as golf itself. All should someday make the leap from being a golfer's idle daydream to well-loved memory. Why not this year?

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The Links at Terranea: Terranea Resort, Palos Verdes, California

This brand-new oceanfront resort brings laid-back California style to its golf offerings. The nine-hole, par-three Links at Terranea is no pushover for low-handicap adults, but the flexibility of its design makes it a fun challenge for kids. Forward tees offer benign

angles into the well-bunkered greens, for example. On weekends the kids' club even sets up a mini-course on the practice putting green. Greens fees start at \$35; terranea.com.