

About the Whirlpool Golf Course



Whirlpool Golf Course is one of Canada's most highly rated and renowned public golf courses. It is owned and operated by the Niagara Parks Commission and is located in a spectacular setting against the backdrop of the Niagara River's Whirlpool Rapids and Niagara Gorge.

Famous golf course architect Stanley Thompson, a.k.a. 'the Toronto Terror', designed the golf course. Some of Thompson's other accomplishments include Banff Springs (Banff, AB), Capilano (Vancouver, BC), St. Georges (Toronto, ON) and the Highland Links (Cape Breton, NS), not to mention countless other classic designs across North America.

Whirlpool Golf Course officially opened on July 2, 1951, with an international tournament between four well-known professionals. Ten thousand spectators witnessed the defeat of the Canadians, Stan Leonard and Bob Gray, by the American players, Dr. Cary Middlecoff and Jimmy Demaret. During the first year of operation, the course saw some 18,251 rounds.

In 1996, the Niagara Parks Commission engaged the services of R.F. Moore & Associates to prepare a Master Plan for the golf course. What followed was the complete renovation of all sand traps, with the addition of forward tees and a new putting and practice area. The Master Plan also provided for extensive clubhouse renovations and landscaping additions during the same timeframe.

Over the years, the course has been host to a variety of competitive tournaments, including the Niagara Parks Amateur and the Niagara Classic. Along with competitive events, the course has become an ideal location for corporate and social golf events. Whirlpool's most recent credits include being voted into the top 50 courses in all of Canada by *Score* magazine readers. It was also credited in the top 5 best values in the country.

Come and play one of the best golf courses in the country. Whirlpool Golf Course gives a sense of belonging to your own private club with its very welcoming environment. Its traditional design is manicured to perfection and makes Whirlpool Golf Course a test of golf you do not want to miss!