

A Place by the Fairway's...



favourite golf resorts








The 50 golf resorts listed here caught our attention for a variety of reasons including gorgeous properties, amazing courses or just old-fashioned value for money. We hope it makes your quest for an ideal golf home easier – prices start at £416,600 and fall away to just £14,300



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TOP 50 RESORTS



Resort	Prices from:	For a:	More information from:
10 El Andalous, Hurghada, Red Sea, EGYPT	 £52,338	One-bed apartment	0870 7504477 (Superior)
9 Lighthouse Golf Resort, Balchik, BULGARIA	 £51,500	One- four-bedroom apartment	00 35 952 620 567 (MGM Properties), www.lighthousegolfresort.com
8 Fijnbosch Estate, St Francis Links, SOUTH AFRICA	 £43,600	Plot	0027 (0)42 294 1612 (Pin High Property Promotions), www.stfrancislinks.com
7 Sahl Hasheesh, Hurghada, EGYPT	 £40,200	One-bed apartment	0870 7504477 (Superior), www.sahl-hasheesh.com
6 Sunset Pearl, Sahl Hasheesh, Red Sea, EGYPT	 £40,000	One-bed apartment	0800 028 2503, www.sunsetpearl.com
5 Paradise Club, Tsarevo, BULGARIA	 £36,900	Studio apartment	0870 062 5242 www.oceanviewinvestment.com
4 Holiday Fort Golf Club, Sunny Beach, BULGARIA	 £26,800	One-bed apartment	0871 9906362
3 Alsalam City, DUBAI	 £25,900	One-bed apartment	00-971-6-599-5000
2 Vipingo Ridge, Mombassa, KENYA	 £25,000	One-acre plot of land with sea view	00 254 733 366555, www.vipingoridge.com/
1 Nicklaus IBAR Golf, near Borovets, BULGARIA	 £14,300	Studio apartment	01908 561 600 (UK agent)

Why it's No.1:

Until recently Bulgaria was the ideal country to buy affordable property from a £15,000 beachfront flat on Sunny Beach to a £25,000 ski chalet in Bansko. Other countries (such as Egypt and Romania) may now have stolen the show now, but Bulgaria still offers incredibly affordable properties if you're after a place by the fairway.

Although golf is a mystery to most Bulgarians, and the first course opened for business only recently, some half a dozen clubs are due to tee off in the coming years and the most talked about is the IBAR Golf development in the Rila Mountains, close to the ski resort of Borovets, featuring a par-72 course designed by Jack Nicklaus plus a thermal spring spa.



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50 Suan Baan Loch Palm, Phuket, THAILAND	 £416,600	Detached mansion	00 66 7620 2792, www.baansuanlochpalm.com
49 Reunions Resort, Florida, USA	 £316,300	Detached house	00 1 407 469 4909 (Ginn), www.reunionresort.com
48 Monte Mayor, Costa del Sol, SPAIN	 £373,000	Two-bed townhouse	00 34 952 937 100, www.montemayorgolf.com
47 Pueblo don Thomas, La Gomera, CANARY ISLANDS	 £284,000	Two-bed apartment	01473 292 202, www.pueblodonthomas.com
46 Secret Valley Golf Resort, Pafos, CYPRUS	 £257,200	Three-bed villa	00 357 26 842 842 (Aristo Developers)
45 Three Sisters Mountain Village, Alberta, CANADA	 £253,126	Two-bed apartment	020 8605 9550 (Newfound Property), www.tsmv.ca
44 Boavista Resort, Algarve, PORTUGAL	 £250,000	Two-bed frontline apartment	01625 588 400, www.boavistaresort.com
43 Aphrodite Hills, Paphos, CYPRUS	 £241,600	Two-bed apartment	0207 629 8171 (Knight Frank), www.aphroditehills.com
42 Arcos Gardens, Andalusia, SPAIN	 £235,000	Two-bed townhouse	020 7331 4500 (Pure International), www.arcosgardens.com
41 Bom Sucesso, Silver Coast, PORTUGAL	 £233,000	Two-bed townhouse	0800 032 4992, www.bomsucesso.com.pt



40 Praia D'El Rey, Silver Coast, PORTUGAL	 £220,000	Two-bed apartment	0870 4281128, www.praia-del-rey.com
39 Domaine Haut-Gardegan, Bordeaux, FRANCE	 £200,000	One-bed apartment	00 800 0800 20 20 (Intrawest), www.haut-gardegan.com
38 Regal Palms Resort, Florida, USA	 £174,698	Three-bed townhouse	0870 7504477 (Superior), www.regalpalmsorlando.com
37 Valle Romano, Estepona, SPAIN	 £180,000	One-bed apartment	www.valleromano.co.uk
36 Desert Springs, Almeria, SPAIN	 £158,000	Two-bed apartment	01242 680116, www.almanzora.com
35 Quintas de Saupe, Bahia, BRAZIL	 £158,700	Three-bed villa	0870 2002 192, www.quintasdesaupe.com.br
34 Monte Castillo Golf Resort & Spa, Jerez, SPAIN	 £154,900	Two-bed apartment	01491 574807 (Mercers), www.montecastillo.com
33 Quinta da Boa-Nova, Algarve, PORTUGAL	 £152,100	One-bed apartment	00 351 282 353 853, www.boa-nova.com
32 3Molinos, Murcia, SPAIN	 £150,000	Two-bed apartment	01727 833811, www.3molinos.com
31 Football Village, near Puerto Banus, SPAIN	 £150,000	Two-bed apartment	0870 066 3696, www.thevillagespain.com

Prices in the table are guides only and may vary

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30 Hacienda del Alamo, Murcia, SPAIN	 £150,000	Two-bed apartment	08000 82 00 00, www.hdagolf.com
29 Punta Perla Golf Resort, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	 £144,500	Two-bed apartment	01480 471954, www.puntaperlasales.com
28 Vita Park Golf Resort, Bodrum, TURKEY	 £130,000	Three-bed apartment	0871 310 9972 (Property Turkey), www.vitaparkgolfresort.com
27 Fuerteventura Golf Resort, CANARY ISLANDS	 £128,500	Duplex apartment	020 3246 2090, www.fuerteventuragolfresort.com
26 Costa Esuri, Costa de la Luz, SPAIN	 £120,000	Two-bed apartment	020 8508 7661 (Spanish Algarve Properties)
25 Domaines Les Forges, FRANCE	 £112,000	Two-bed villa	0131 3315992 (Start Living in France) www.thestartlivinggroup.co.uk
24 Sambala, Santiago Island, CAPE VERDE	 £111,600	Two-bed townhouse	01608 813160, www.sambaladevelopments.com
23 Rabaska (La Bete Golf Course), Quebec, CANADA	 £105,752	Two-bed townhouse	023 8067 9070 (Invest You Can), www.rabaskatremlant.com
22 Villamartin, Alicante, Costa Blanca, SPAIN	 £98,828	Two bed apartment	0800 083 8658 (Parador Properties), www.golfvillamartin.com
21 Club Air Sofia, Sofia, BULGARIA	 £94,700	Four-bed villa	00 359 724 3530
20 Sabal Trace Golf Club, Florida, USA	 £90,000	Two-bed condo	00 1 941 284 9863 (John Parrot)
19 Black Sea Rama, Black Sea, BULGARIA	 £84,000	Two-bed apartment	020 7016 3740, www.blacksearama.com
18 Las Terrazas de la Torre, Polaris World, Murcia, SPAIN	 £82,000	One-bed apartment	08454 66 55 44 (Polaris Golf Property UK) www.polarisworld.com
17 Nova Panoramica Golf, Costa Dorada, SPAIN	 £80,552	One-bed apartment	0800 083 8658 (Parador Properties) www.novapanoramica.com
16 St Donato Golf Course, Tuscany, ITALY	 £76,000	One-bed apartment	0800 6520 769 (Overseas Homesearch)
15 Mediterrania-Saïdia, MOROCCO	 £68,970	One-bed apartment	0870 7504477 (Superior)
14 La Tercia, Murcia, SPAIN	 £67,500	One-bed apartment	0800 081 6047, www.laterciagolfresort.com
13 Turquoise, Lake Tuzla, near Gulluk, TURKEY	 £65,940	Two-bed apartment	0870 7504477 (Superior)
12 Soma Bay, Hurghada, EGYPT	 £65,000	Two-bed apartment	www.think-egypt.com/www.somabay.com
11 Dolna Banya Golf Resort, Borovets, BULGARIA	 £54,300	Three-bed villa	0845 094 4650, www.dolnabanya.net





Looking for a golf destination that's cheaper than Spain or Portugal? These up-and-coming markets could be your answer to an affordable investment by the fairway...

TAKING ON THE BIG HITTERS

Bulgaria

In just 15 years time there will be an estimated 40 golf courses up and running in Bulgaria - rewind 15 years and you'd have been lucky to find a mini-golf there.

"Golf and spa" has become a buzz phrase in the Bulgarian property market, combined either with skiing in the mountains or beach on the Black Sea coast. Prices in Bulgaria, a recent member of the EU, are still eye-wateringly tempting with studios on golf developments still available for around the £15,000 mark. Your only concern might be when you might see value in the resale market.

In the ski resort of Bansko, the Pirin Golf Club, designed by Ian Woosnam is due to open in March next year and has a number of developments around it. There are high hopes for the resort of Borovets too, where millions of euros are being channelled to turn it into 'Super Borovets', which will include three golf courses. Nearby is the Ibar Country Golf Club and Spa, the first Nicklaus Design golf course in south-eastern Europe.

The stretch of Black Sea coast between Balchik and Kavarna is fast becoming a

golf hotspot - there you'll find three resorts with championships courses. The course at the Lighthouse Golf Resort and Spa was designed by Ian Woosnam, while those at BlackSeaRama Golf and Country Club and Thracian Cliffs are brainchildren of Gary Player. www.rockarch.co.uk

Dubai

Thanks to the extravagant 'off-shore' developments of The Palms and The World, Dubai has a reputation for luxurious, highly expensive property, fit only for the Beckhams of this world.

Granted, you could spend £2-million on a frontline villa on the Emirates Hills development next to the Montgomerie golf course but this is one side of the coin. Agent Properties in Dubai sells units on the Greens complex, within the grounds of the Emirates Golf Club, for between £65,000 and £272,000.

There's much excitement about the imminent opening of the new Ernie Els 'The Dunes' course which forms a central part of the Dubai Sports City complex within the immense Dubailand project. Key2Dubai is offering studios in Dubailand

