

Countrywide Golf Holidays **CLASSIC SOUTH WALES GOLF TOURS**

Two Night, Three Round Golf Breaks



Neath Golf Club

To compliment the range of 'South Wales Championship Links' golf breaks organised by Countrywide Golf Holidays, we are delighted to recommend three itineraries that combine the very best links and parkland courses in South Wales. The three enclosed itineraries therefore represent what we feel are superb value for money breaks, combining the very best links and parkland challenges.



ITINERARY 1 – NEWPORT TO PORTHCAWL



DAY 1 SOUTHERNDOWN GOLF CLUB, BRIDGEND

- 18 Holes Southerndown Golf Club
- Check into the Hotel

Southerndown is a hidden gem, unique in offering part sandy links and part acid-heathland, and due to its terrain it is one of the driest courses to be found throughout the land. Founded in 1905, the Club has a wealth of tradition. Visitors from all over the world have played the course and many championship events have been staged at the Club over the years. Top amateurs like Peter McEvoy and Gary Wolstenholme, world cup winners Stephen Dodd and Bradley Dredge, and the legendary Gene Sarazen have all graced the fairways. Henry Cotton described the 1st hole as "one of the toughest opening holes in golf!" Southerndown is a true test of golf. This is a course where you have to manage your game through the natural contours and firm greens, around the gorse and bracken and pot bunkers - and then there is the wind off the sea! This is golf as it should be.

DAY 2 PYLE & KENFIG GOLF CLUB, PORTHCAWL

- Breakfast
- 18 holes Pyle & Kenfig Golf Club

Pyle & Kenfig, affectionately known as 'P & K' has hosted many important tournaments including the 2002 Amateur Championships and Home Internationals in 2003 and 2006. The course has also hosted many national and professional tournaments. Pyle & Kenfig possesses high dunes and deep challenging valleys in a layout that offers plenty of diversity. Originally mapped out in 1922 by H.S. Colt, large areas of the course were requisitioned by the army in World War II after which it was decided to move seawards into dunesland that designer P Mackenzie Ross described as a 'golfer's paradise.' There are two loops of nine holes returning to the cosy Clubhouse and the second half is regarded as the more challenging of the two, with the final three holes viewed as the hardest. Each hole over 400 yards and with a daunting tee shot towards deeply-bunkered greens, they promise a demanding finish that helps make a visit to these links a memorable experience.



DAY 3 THE CELTIC MANOR RESORT – ROMAN ROAD, NEWPORT

- Breakfast
- Check out of the hotel
- 18 holes Celtic Manor Resort – Roman Road

The Roman Road Course, the first of the Celtic Manor Resort courses, opened in 1995 and was ranked 'the top inland course in Wales' by Golf Monthly Magazine. This par 70 course overlooks the Severn Estuary with views across to Somerset and Devon. It was designed by Robert Trent Jones Snr and is named after the many Roman roads that criss-cross it, the design shaped to avoid disrupting any remains. Bordered by woodland, this challenging par-70 course features some long open fairways but also a number of twists and turns through trees and across lakes and streams. The Roman Road course hosted the Celtic Manor Wales Open, a leading event on the European Tour, from 2005 to 2007.



The itineraries may be adapted to meet any requirements that you may have and be re-priced accordingly

	JAN-MAR '12	APR-OCT '12	NOV-MAR 2012-'13	APR-OCT 2012-'13
HOTEL OPTIONS & PRICES PER PERSON:				
The Heronston Hotel, Bridgend	£193.00	£221.00	£195.00	£236.00
The Cardiff Copthorne Hotel, Cardiff	£210.00	£243.00	£222.00	£260.00
Weekend Supplement:	£20.00 per person			
Royal Porthcawl Golf Club Supplement	On request			
Celtic Manor Resort - Twenty ten Supplement	On request			

The prices include twin / double share accommodation, breakfast, golf and VAT. Single room and Dinner supplements available on request

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ITINERARY 2 – SWANSEA & THE GOWER



DAY 1 NEATH GOLF CLUB, NEATH

- 18 Holes Neath Golf Club
- Check into the Hotel

Neath is a classic James Braid design taking advantage of the natural landscape to create a superb golfing challenge. The heathland course incorporates trees, heather, gorse, dry stone walls and fine undulating greens to test every asset a player has. The turf is perfect for a golf course offering firm fairways and greens. Set on a plateau above the Neath Valley the elements change the playing characteristics of the course daily. The course regularly changes direction using the wind as a defence with the course design testing strategy and accuracy. The fifteenth hole is one of the famous holes in South Wales. A 391 yard par 4, it is played from one side of a huge rock down to a fairway some 80 feet below with far reaching views into the distance. The tee shot is driving into pure sky. The finest of all heathland courses in South Wales, it offers a stern challenge from the championship tees. The record is 66 set by Andrew Cooper in 1993

DAY 2 PENNARD GOLF CLUB, GOWER

- Breakfast
- 18 holes Pennard Golf Club

Pennard is located eight miles west of Swansea on the Gower Peninsula, an area of outstanding natural beauty. Golf has been played on the course since 1896, although the course owes most of its appeal today first to James Braid and then to C.K. Cotton. The holes are routed over classically undulating and tumbling linksland, full of hummocks, hillocks and hollows and pocketed with dunes large and small. Yet this exceptional terrain is not beside the shore, it is 200 feet above it. No wonder Pennard has been called "the links in the sky." Pennard has been ranked in the UK's top 100 courses for the last four years and is currently rated as the fourth best course in Wales



DAY 3 LANGLAND BAY GOLF CLUB, GOWER

- Breakfast
- Check out of the hotel
- 18 holes Langland Bay Golf Club

There are great views and there are great golf courses, rarely do they come together with such perfection as they do at Langland Bay. High above the golden Gower sand is a cliff top clearly designed by nature with only one purpose in mind, breathtaking golf. The elevation brings 360-degree views, across the spectacular Bristol Channel in one direction, and the distant Brecon Beacons in the other. This is Langland Bay, where every drive has an astonishing backdrop and every club has a part to play. Keep your head down? You must be joking. The views are never the same twice, yet always breathtaking. The Clubhouse boasts an enviable reputation for its warm welcome and unparalleled outlook over the broad sweep of Langland Bay

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The Dragon Hotel, Swansea	£182.00	£202.00	£192.00	£212.00
Weekend Supplement:	£20.00 per person			
Royal Porthcawl Golf Club Supplement	On request			

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DAY 2 ASHBURNHAM GOLF CLUB, NR LLANELLI

- Breakfast
- 18 holes Ashburnham Golf Club

One of the classic Welsh links courses. Ashburnham celebrated its centenary in 1994 by staging the British Home International Team Championships. As Harry Vardon said, "This is the course I like best in Wales". His sentiments have been endorsed by more modern professionals. Bernard Gallagher, Europe's former Ryder Cup captain won his first tournament, the 1969 Schweppes, at Ashburnham, and it was here that Sam Torrance also gained his first title, the 1976 Martini. Overlooking Carmarthen Bay, the course has its first two and final two holes inland near the clubhouse. Holes three to eight strike out, parallel to the sea, straight into the prevailing wind and holes nine to fifteen run back with the wind directly behind. With out-of-bounds and assorted trouble on the right in both directions there is no peace for the slicer. Neither are the fairways of a generous width and the fact that the current course record is no lower than 70 bears witness to the credential of the challenge.



DAY 3 MACHYNYS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, LLANELLI

- Breakfast
- Check out of the hotel
- 18 holes Machynys Golf & Country Club

A world-class golf course in a dramatic setting, Machynys brings the unique Nicklaus Design style to Wales for the first time. Teeing off from the first hole couldn't be more picturesque, with stunning views over Carmarthen Bay and the Gower Peninsula. An exciting and versatile course, Machynys has been designed to challenge the best players in championship conditions and yet still be enjoyable for the higher handicapper, by utilising up to six tees per hole. The shaping of the 3.5 million pound course layout has included the creation of 25 acres of new lakes - salt and fresh water - giving it a unique feel for a links-type golf course.



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The Dragon Hotel, Swansea	£157.00	£206.00	£167.00	£207.00
The Stradey Park Hotel, Llanelli	£157.00	£206.00	£167.00	£207.00
Weekend Supplement:	£20.00 per person			
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For your accommodation select from one of the following quality hotels...

THE HERONSTON HOTEL, BRIDGEND

The Best Western Heronston Hotel is the ideal location for a golfing break to South Wales. The hotel is located in a semi rural area, but only half a mile from Bridgend town centre and minutes from Junction 35 of the M4. The hotel is within easy reach of the dramatic Heritage Coastline and equidistant from the vibrant capital city of Cardiff and the cosmopolitan city of Swansea. hotel boasts 75 bedrooms including standard, executive and superior rooms and suites. The Heron Bar is the perfect place for pre dinner drinks, to order a light snack or bar meal. The Crane Restaurant offers both an A la Carte and Table D'hôte menu, all food served is sourced locally and prepared and cooked freshly. The hotel's Leisure Club offers an indoor heated pool, sauna, steam room, spa pool and fully equipped gym. The pool area has been fitted with mood lighting, the ideal area to relax after a busy day.



THE CARDIFF COPTHORNE HOTEL, CARDIFF

The Copthorne Hotel Cardiff is located just 4 miles from the City Centre and is recognised as one of the most welcoming Cardiff hotels the City offers. Boasting 135 finely furnished guest rooms, a wonderfully relaxing bar and lounge area, as well as an extensive range of leisure facilities. Furthermore, the award-winning Raglans restaurant lays particular emphasis on sourcing local suppliers for the freshest Welsh produce, with particular focus on produce in-season. This community involvement has quickly made it one of the top hotels in Cardiff.



THE DRAGON HOTEL, SWANSEA

Located in the heart of Swansea's vibrant city centre, The Dragon Hotel is the perfect base for golfers. Minutes away from the M4, not only is the Dragon Hotel easily accessible but it is also within comfortable distance of over 70 golf courses, it is within walking distance of Swansea's many and varied shops, café quarter and bars and it's also an ideal location from which to explore the award winning Gower Peninsula. The 106 stylish en-suite bedrooms are furnished in a modern, relaxed design and offer excellent facilities including air conditioning and free wireless internet access. Guests also benefit from on-site complimentary car parking as well as use of the Dragon Health and Fitness Club with its advanced Precor Gymnasium, its 18 metre heated indoor swimming pool and saunas.



THE STRADEY PARK HOTEL, LLANELLI

Tucked into the Welsh hillside, standing proud over the world famous Gower and Carmarthenshire coastline, the Stradey Park Hotel in Llanelli is the ideal location for your golf tour, with some of the best courses in Wales and the UK on the doorstep. The hotel takes pride in their first class service, and have earned each one of their four stars by creating an art form out of attention to detail. Guests will find nothing is too much trouble to guarantee ones comfort.

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