

NORTHLAND GOLF CLUB – WHITE TEES

1st Hole DECEPTION Par 4, 334m Stroke 7
Tree lined fairway demands an accurate tee shot. Trouble on the right. Sloping approach to front of green. Flat green with mounded surrounds.

2nd Hole PARAKIORE Par 4, 253m Stroke 17
Short par 4 protected by bunker in front. Sloping green makes for a tricky putt. Best approached from the left of the fairway into the slope of the green

3rd Hole FLYER Par 3, 142m Stroke 9
Testing par 3. Tee shot needs to be accurate to the small upturned saucer green which demands a careful read of your putt.

4th Hole PANORAMA Par 5, 421m Stroke 15
Shortish par 5 which is reachable in two for longer hitters. Bomb away and be rewarded with a birdie or eagle.

5th Hole WRECKER Par 4, 335m Stroke 3
Demanding tee shot over gully. Keeping to the centre/left of fairway gives best approach and avoids trouble on the right. Elevated, tiered green. Take note of pin position to end up on the correct tier.

6th Hole THE DROP Par 3, 153m Stroke 13
Beautiful drop shot hole from an elevated tee. Green surround drops off to water hazard and bunker on the right. Green has a slight slope which can fool the too casual putter.

7th Hole DOG-LEG Par 4, 346m Stroke 5
Ideal tee shot should favour the right side of fairway as trees block any shot straying to the left. Large green with subtle breaks challenging your putting skills. Approach is well protected by bunkers.

8th Hole PURIRI Par 5, 392m Stroke 11
Dogleg par 5. Longer drivers should take care not to run out of fairway. Favour the left side of fairway for a clear shot to the green, which can be reached in two. Putting can be a real adventure on the severely sloping green, protected by challenging bunkers right and left.

9th Hole MOUNTAIN VIEW Par 4, 371m Stroke 3
An accurate tee shot is demanded by the narrow, tree lined opening in front of the tee box. Favour a draw off the tee or you can end up off the fairway or behind trees. Large green with tricky contours for putting. Protected by bunkers front right and over the back.

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10th Hole MATARAU Par 5, 469m Stroke 4
Straight par 5 with a tree lined fairway. Bunkers on the right and left guard a flat green. Plays long if the prevailing wind is blowing.

11th Hole WATERFALL Par 4, 316m Stroke 10

Begins Northland Golf Club's own "Amen Corner"! Out of bounds on the left and creek on the right, so you need to be accurate off the tee. Downhill approach to a two-tiered green, with the added danger of a creek close behind if your approach is long. Bunkers front left and to the right add difficulty. Check out the impressive falls to the left of the green if you have time.

12th Hole TOTARA Par 3, 152m Stroke 14

Longest par 3 with a narrow gap to fire through. Can be affected by the prevailing wind, making club selection important. Green with challenging contours is well guarded by bunkers. Out of bounds close behind the green

13th Hole THE GAP Par 4, 324m Stroke 2

Narrow gap between the trees to drive through demands accuracy. Longer drivers can bomb away over the treetops to the fairway beyond, which opens out quite generously. Green is well protected by bunkering in front, water hazard on the right and pond on left rear, so your approach shot is crucial. Contoured green with flat area at back makes for interesting putting depending on the pin placement.

14th Hole LONE TREE Par 4, 319m Stroke 12

You have now negotiated "Amen Corner", hopefully without too much damage to your card! Lone Tree is a straightforward undulating hole which will provide some relief. Green slopes from back to front, but take care not to overshoot as there is a steep bank behind.

15th Hole HOLLOWS Par 4, 316m Stroke 6

Another undulating par 4. Favour the left with your tee shot or you may end up rolling into the trees with the slope of the fairway. Uphill approach to a sloping green which will test your putting skills.

16th Hole GLADE Par 3, 145m Stroke 18

Signature hole at Northland Golf Club with a smallish , sloping green that is deceptively hard to hit. Wind can be a factor. Putting requires an accurate read of the slope.

17th Hole WAIKOROPUPU Par 5, 472m Stroke 8

Long, dog-leg par 5. Long hitters can take on the corner over the tall trees, but discretion will have you laying up for safety. Flat green, well protected with bunkers and water hazards to the right and rear.

18th Hole HOMEWARD BOUND Par 3, 147m Stroke 18

Final hole is deceptively easy but can trap the careless. Tee shot favouring the right is best. Large flat green. Avoid the slope to the left.

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