

Finca Cortesin (78) Malaga, Spain

+34 952 937 883, fincacortesin.com Green fee guide: C. Par 72, 7,480 yards. Designer: Cabell B Robinson before the credit crunch bared its teeth, you really did wonder if it was area really need another top-end golf course? But special ventures will always succeed and this Cabell B

another course on the Costa'. Hosting the World Match Play in 2009 and soon fades if the course isn't up to it. Finca Cortesin certainly is, with some good as all but the very best Spanish courses on this list – and that includes one who felt it was better than

shrubbery which swallows up wayward drives and plenty of length essential to play it off tees relevant to your ability. Sumptuous mountain and pain you may be feeling though – as does its immaculate conditioning and first-class service.



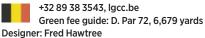
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73 Limburg (85) Houthalen, Belgium



The amount of consultation we do in order to produce this list is rewarded when we uncover a course like Limburg. Nobody was talking about it before our 2011 ranking but after including it as one of our 15 new entries, it is on the wish list of many. A fabulous heather-strewn heathland.



72 Las Colinas G&CC (73) Alicante, Spain

+34 965 324 224, aworldapart.es Green fee guide: D. Par 71, 7,014 yards Designer: Cabell B Robinson

Las Colinas G&CC in Alicante needed to be good to rise above the crowded existing landscape and this Troon-managed resort has done just that. It opened in autumn 2010 and in the three years since has matured beautifully, settling in seamlessly to the secluded valley in which it sits.



71 Crans sur Sierre **v** (69) Crans-Montana, Switzerland

+27 485 9797. golfcrans.ch Green fee guide: B. Par 72, 6,975 yards Designers: Harry Nicholson, Seve Ballesteros Crans came into the list two years ago, our panel feeling its setting was simply too beautiful to ignore. When Tour players who organise their schedules with military precision ink Crans on their itinerary no matter when it falls, you know it is something particularly special.

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FROM 100-1: THE LIST IN FULL The rundown of our refreshed Top 100 – and where to find them.

1 Les Bordes, Orleans, France 2 Morfontaine, Paris, France 3 Royal Hague, The Hague, Holland 4 Royal Zoute, Cadiespad, Belgium 5 PGA Catalunya (Stadium), Girona, Spain 6 Golf National, Paris, France 7 Kennemer, Haarlem, Holland 8 Valderrama, Sotogrande, Spain 9 Noordwijkse, Leiden, Holland 10 El Saler, Valencia, Spain 11 Fontainebleau, Paris, France 12 Chantilly (Vineuil), Paris, France 13 Bro Hof Slott (Stadium), Stockholm, Sweden 14 Terre Blanche (Chateau), Fayence, France 15 Sporting Club (Faldo), Scharmutzelsee, Germany 16 The Scandinavian (Old), Farum, Denmark 17 Lubker (Sand & Sky), Nimtofte, Denmark 18 Monte Rei, Algarve, Portugal **19** Hamburger, Hamburg, Germany 20 Oitavos Dunes, Cascais, Portugal 21 Sevilla, Seville, Spain 22 PGA National (Lakes), Malmo, Sweden 23 Onyria Palmares, Lagos, Portugal 24 San Lorenzo, Algarve, Portugal 25 Budersand, Sylt, Germany

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28 Seignosse, Biarritz, France 29 El Prat (Red), Barcelona, Spain 30 Falsterbo, Malmo, Sweden 31 Sperone, Corsica, France 32 Royal Park, Torino, Italy 33 Praia D'El Rey, Obidos, Portugal 34 Ravenstein (Old), Tervuren, Belgium 37 Troia, Lisbon, Portugal 38 Sand, Jönköping, Sweden **39** Santander, Madrid, Spain 40 Barseback (Masters), Malmo, Sweden 42 Sotogrande (Old), Sotogrande, Spain **43** Saint Germain, Paris, France 44 Son Gual, Majorca, Spain 45 Biella la Betulle, Magnano, Italy 46 PGA National (Links), Malmo, Sweden 47 Villa d'Este, Montorfarno, Italy 48 LykiaLinks, Belek, Turkey 49 Bled, Bled, Slovenia

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26 Utrecht de Pan, Utrecht, Holland 27 Prince de Provence, Vidauban, France **35** Penha Longa (Atlantico), Lisbon, Portugal **36** The Scandinavian (New), Farum, Denmark 41 Domaine Imperial, Geneva, Switzerland 50 Vasatorps (Tour), Helsingborg, Sweden



51 Le Touquet (La Mer), Pas de Calais, France **52** Chiberta, Biarritz, France 53 Quinta do Lago (South), Almancil, Portugal 54 Abama, Tenerife, Spain 55 Halmstad (North), Halmstad, Sweden 56 St Nom La Breteche (Red), Paris, France 57 Golf du Medoc (Châteaux), Bordeaux, France 58 Castelconturbia, Via Suno, Italy 59 Puerto de Hierro (Arriba), Madrid, Spain 60 Verdura (East), Sicily, Italy 61 Oceanico Faldo, Algarve, Portugal 62 Esbjerg (Marbaek), Jutland, Denmark 63 Antalya (PGA Sultan), Belek, Turkey 64 Villa de Madrid (Black), Madrid, Spain 65 Neguri, Algorta, Spain 66 Oceanico Old, Algarve, Portugal 67 Kongsvinger, Oslo, Norway 68 Hilversumsche, Hilversum, Holland 69 Golf Nazionale, San Martino, Italy 70 Fontana, Oberwaltersdorf, Austria 71 Crans sur Sierre, Crans-Montana, Switzerland 72 Las Colinas G&CC, Alicante, Spain 73 Limburg, Houthalen, Belgium 74 Finca Cortesin, Malaga, Spain 75 Porto Santo, Porto Santo, Portugal 76 Kytaja (South East), Hyvinkää, Finland 77 Steiermarkischer Murhof, Murhof, Austria 78 Thracian Cliffs, Kavarna, Bulgaria 79 Bogogno (Del Conte), Novaro, Italy 80 Costa Navarino (Dunes), Messinia, Greece 81 Eindhovensche Golf, Eindhoven, Holland 82 Royal Obidos, Lisbon, Portugal 83 Estonia G&CC (Sea), Tallinn, Estonia 84 Las Brisas, Andalucia, Spain 85 Holstebro (Forest), Brandsbjergvej, Denmark **86** The Dutch, The Netherlands 87 Royal Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium 88 Arcos Gardens, Cadiz, Spain 89 La Reserva de Sotogrande, Sotogrande, Spain 90 Hossegor, Biarritz, France 91 Cornelia (Prince), Belek, Turkey 92 The International, The Netherlands 93 Golf Club de Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland 94 Linna, Hameenlinna, Finland 95 Winston Links (Champ), Schwerin, Germany 96 San Roque, Sotogrande, Spain 97 Moliets, Bayonne, France 98 Hardelot (Les Pins), Hardelot, France 99 Carya, Belek, Turkey 100 Quinta do Peru, Lisbon, Portugal