



# The Best Golf Courses

For 25 years, the editors of Irving-based *Avidgolfer* magazine have hit every local course nearly every year. Here are their top 28.\*

	Public Course	City	Rates	What Makes It Great
1	Fields Ranch - East Course	Frisco	\$447	Fields Ranch East is a monster, but it is also the future host site of the PGA Championship.
2	Fields Ranch - West Course	Frisco	\$277	The West course is more user-friendly off the tee, but the greens can give you PTSD.
3	Old American Golf Club	The Colony	\$175	We still love Old American. It's fun, challenging, and always in great shape.
4	The Tribute Golf Club	The Colony	\$150	We've never seen The Tribute in bad shape. Missing the fairway on No. 1 and No. 18 is almost impossible.
5	Heritage Ranch Golf & Country Club	Fairview	\$108	Year after year, Heritage leads the way with second-to-none hospitality and superior course conditions.
6	Sherrill Park Golf Course - No. 1	Richardson	\$61	Course No. 2 is getting a big update this year, which may make this one a bit more difficult to get on.
7	Tangle Ridge Golf Course	Grand Prairie	\$75	The elevation changes make this a great change of pace from the usual flatter layouts around North Texas.
8	Firewheel Golf Park - Bridges	Garland	\$62	Twenty-seven great holes, and the Masters nine is all the golf you want.
9	Indian Creek - Creek Course	Carrollton	\$76	The inward nine here will separate the men from the boys.
10	The Courses at Watters Creek	Plano	\$65	The ultimate public facility for working on your game from stem to stern.

	Golf Club	City	Initiation Fees	Monthly Dues	What Makes It Great
1	Preston Trail Golf Club	Dallas	\$235,000	\$935	The gold standard for course conditions and hyper-exclusive membership.
2	Trinity Forest Golf Club	Dallas	\$165,000	\$1,280	You won't find another layout like this around here—maybe in all of Texas.
3	TPC Craig Ranch	McKinney	\$60,000	\$2,750	Host course of The CJ CUP Byron Nelson continues to thrive in McKinney.
4	Maridoe Golf Club	Carrollton	\$125,000	\$1,097	This behemoth is rumored to be hosting a LIV event later this year.
5	Timarron Country Club	Southlake	\$40,000	\$911	One of Byron Nelson's finest designs.

	Country Club	City	Initiation Fees	Monthly Dues	What Makes It Great
1	Northwood Club	Dallas	\$160,000	\$935	Northwood is still one of our favorite layouts and has the amenities to boot.
2	Brook Hollow Golf Club	Dallas	\$225,000	\$1,280	Brook Hollow might have the best pure architecture in North Texas.
3	Vaquero Club	Westlake	\$225,000	\$2,750	Our once-perennial No. 1. We are anxious to see how the renovation grows in.
4	Shady Oaks Country Club	Westworth Village	\$100,000	\$1,097	The total package here is hard to beat, and they have the best par-3 course in town.
5	Royal Oaks Country Club	Dallas	\$125,000	\$911	Scottie Scheffler's home track just got some new turf, and it looks great.
6	Bent Tree Country Club	Dallas	\$100,000	\$991	Conditions are great, the clubhouse is amazing, and their recently updated short-game area is world class.
7	Lakewood Country Club	Dallas	\$100,000	\$850	A smaller piece of property, but the course is fun and playable—plus, the patio rocks.
8	Gleneagles Country Club	Plano	\$70,000	\$1,355	King's and Queen's courses are both whimsical, dynamic layouts that challenge every club in your bag.
9	Stonebriar Country Club	Frisco	\$50,000	\$1,255	One course is an ego boost; the other is an extreme test of golf.
10	The Nelson Golf & Sports Club	Irving	\$80,000	\$1,200	New branding, consistent conditions, and every amenity make it a great overall property.
11	Las Colinas Country Club	Irving	\$45,000	\$1,065	The home of the Invited Celebrity Classic is loaded with amenities and convenient to anywhere in North Texas.
12	River Crest Country Club	Fort Worth	\$75,000	\$784	Some of the best greens you will ever roll the rock on—and a consistent buzz of activity.
13	Lakes at Castle Hills	Lewisville	\$27,000	\$865	Championship course presenting length and plenty of strategic shot-making opportunities.

\*For AG's full lists, visit [myavidgolfer.com](http://myavidgolfer.com). Public rates include caddie fee and may vary due to dynamic pricing. Not considered due to renovations: Meadowbrook Golf Course, Sherrill Park Golf Course - No. 2, Colonial Country Club, Dallas Country Club, Dallas National Golf Club.



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