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## Golf Getaways: Winter Homes In Fabulous Florida

Overwhelmed by the sheer number of choices? For luxurious living, narrow your sights to these four.

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Medalist Village

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Medalist Village Combines an Exclusive Location With Friendly Neighbors

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Greg Norman always intended Medalist Village to be intimate, not expansive, a place to be close to both friends and nature.

“Medalist Village is somewhere I can enjoy spending time with my friends and family whether at the Aussie Pub, spa, or out on the par-three course,” he says. “It offers privacy, a haven for relaxation, and the members provide a sense of community not often found in other clubs.”

That’s why the 119-home community in Hobe Sound is surrounded by 870 acres of untouched coastal-Florida nature preserve. That’s also why the amenities like the rustic wood-beamed clubhouse are casual and social, with nary a jacket and tie in sight. It’s the center of the community and home to an authentic Aussie pub, the wellness spa, and a refreshingly down-to-earth veranda where you can sip a cocktail, watch your friends finish their rounds of golf and enjoy the warm coastal breezes.

Along with the clubhouse amenities, Medalist Village members also enjoy a unique 12-hole par-three golf course designed by Greg Norman, as well as a tennis and fitness center. Although separate, famed Medalist Golf Club adjoins the community.

Existing 4-bedroom, 4.5-bath homes begin in the million dollar range. Sites for custom homes by the area’s premier home builders are also available.

### **Amenities Never Quit at Boca West Country Club**

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A new golf and activities center opening later this year headlines the \$50 million renovation at Boca West Country Club, home to four 18-hole golf courses, 31 tennis courts, and 3,500 families who live in luxury in the 1,400-acre membership community midway between West Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale. New restaurants, retail space, and a bar and grill will complement the new locker rooms and golf pro shop at the property, where 300,000 square feet of resort-style amenities include six restaurants, a fitness center, a sports aquatics complex, and a 38,000-square-foot spa.

Golf is the lifeblood of the Boca West community. Four courses—one each by Pete Dye and Jim Fazio and two by Arnold Palmer—surround the 54 residential villages. The first Palmer course opened in 1997 and is distinguished by water in play on 12 holes. Palmer came back in 1999 to build his second course, a shot-maker’s delight that makes you stop and think before you hit every shot. The Fazio course is highlighted by water, too, this time by waterfalls on four holes. Pete Dye’s unique styling is evident throughout the challenging course that bears his name. The third hole, for example, plays straight away, but a palm-tree-studded waste area stretches along the entire fairway from tee to green.

Home ownership choices include single family homes, townhomes, garden apartments, and even a nine-story building now under construction, the Akoya, which will feature thoughtfully designed two- and three-bedroom residences with valet service and 24-hour security. Homes in Boca West range in price from \$200,000 to \$5 million, not including a mandatory membership equity fee of \$70,000. One recent listing for \$2.2 million was a 5-bedroom, 7-bath home with media room, family room, elevator, and a balcony off the master suite that's the perfect place to view the sunset.