

Lahaina Maui



Kapalua Plantation

One of three Kapalua courses this is perhaps not the first course you should tackle. Big hitters enjoy the many elevated tees but hate the hazards that line the majority of holes.

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Major events held:

Mercedes Benz Championship – 1st event of every PGA tour year. Only Champions from the previous years USPGA Tour may compete.

Notable Champions:

Stuart Appleby

The All Time Longest Drive on the PGA Tour - Davis Love III – 476 yards

Par: 36+37=73

Course Record: KJ Choi 62 (-10) 3rd Round Mercedes Open

TCB Indoor Difficulty Ratings and Rankings		
	Rating out of 20	Ranking
Front 9	15.5	7 th
Back 9	14.5	38 th
18 Holes	15.0	7 th

Website: www.kapaluamaui.com/golf/

Other Websites: <http://www.pgatour.com/tournaments/r016/course>

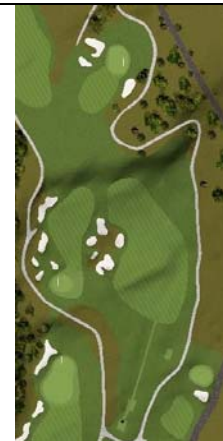
Built:		
Designed:	Ben Crenshaw & Bill Coore	
Re-designed:		
Type:	Coastal	
Green Fees:		
Signature Hole:	17 th	

Notes: An interesting course although you will want to avoid the natural hazards that this course is carved out of. Watch for big up hill shots and the trade winds that make the holes much longer or shorter depending on the prevailing wind and slopes. The Plantation Course is a links-style design and the longest of the three Kapalua courses. This course was built on the natural contour of the land.

Hole by hole descriptions and OB lines

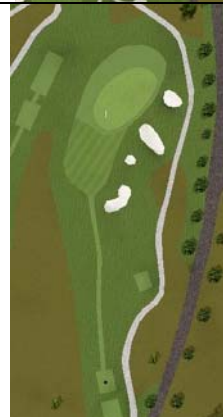
No1 Par 4 Kapalua.

A downhill, downwind par four of immense proportion, introduces the character, scale and drama of the course about to be played. An adequate tee shot assisted by the wind and slope should leave a middle to long iron approach to an expansive and welcoming green that slopes from left to right. The difficulty of this hole is more psychological than physical.



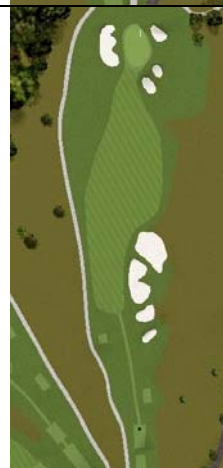
No2 Par 3 Drift.

A downwind par three, to a large green angled from left to right. The tilt of the green plus the direction and force of the wind favour shots that fade and are played with finesse. Running approaches are encouraged and rewarded here.



No3 Par 4 Easterly.

A hole of medium length made longer by playing directly into the trade winds. The fairway bends slightly to the right, past a cluster of bunkers leading to a plateaued green which slopes from right to left; it is guarded on the wings by two predominate bunkers. The slope of the green combined with the trade winds make this an elusive target and an appreciated par.



No4 Par 4 The High Road.

Reminiscent of The National Golf Links in Southampton, Long Island, The High Road is an old fashioned affair with a well-defined drive over a high hill to a rolling fairway. Play the approach shot with medium irons to a wide green that gathers from right to left. The shallow left side of the green and winds crossing from the left make approaches to the left pin placements more difficult.



No5 Par 5 Cape.

A natural, daring par five. Cape slopes left to right all the way. The fairway culminates at a green perched on a peninsula high above the canyon that borders the entire right side of the hole. The nature of the hole entices the player to have a crack after landing the drive. Aim approaches at the left side of the green. Courage, but not foolhardiness, is rewarded here.



No6 Par 4 Cross n' Down.

A spectacular, mysterious par four with alternate routes to the green, Cross n' Down plays through strong cross winds from the right. Play the ideal tee shot dangerously, powerfully and accurately across the cliffs to the right side of the fairway, where the green may be adequately viewed. The more conservative left route creates a blind approach to the bowl-shaped green.



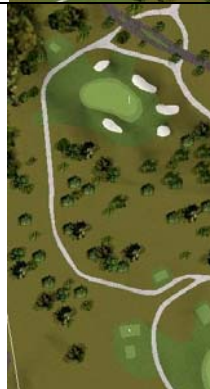
No7 Par 4 Molokai.

The second of three long, downhill, downwind par fours, plays much shorter than its listed yardage due to the prevailing wind and assisting slopes. The expansive fairway angling from left to right is inviting as is the large undulating green. The green, with its bunkering, encourages running approaches.



No8 Par 3 Gorge.

A middle iron par three playing across a native canyon to a receptive green. The green, which slopes back to front and right to left, was built to hold and nurse the ball to the left, given the strong trade winds from the right.



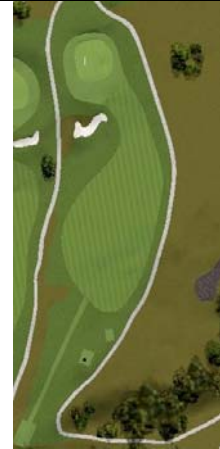
No9 Par 5 Long.

Likely the course's most demanding hole, requires three quality shots directly into the wind to reach the green. The tee shot must be solidly played into the fairway to allow the second to carry a large valley in the fairway crossing. Shots failing to carry the valley leave blind approaches; those carrying the valley will position the players for a short iron or pitch approach to a plateaued green guarded by bunkers on the right. Take par here and walk to the tenth and don't look back.



No10 Par 4 Humpback.

The tenth, like the third, is a relatively short par four made substantially longer by playing into the wind and slightly uphill. The ample fairway, tilting dramatically from right to left, invites controlled draws. The same tilting, however, can encourage uncontrolled hooks when approaches are played from its slopes toward the plateaued green. The green rewards low, driving shots into the wind and running approaches.



No11 Par 3 Bay.

The last par three of the course demands - and rewards - thoughtful finesse. The desired tee shot is a short iron that either cuts and holds into the wind blowing from the player's right shoulder or one that allows for drift and uses the approach and slope of the green for assistance. A shot flown directly to the back left pin will not likely be tried more than once.



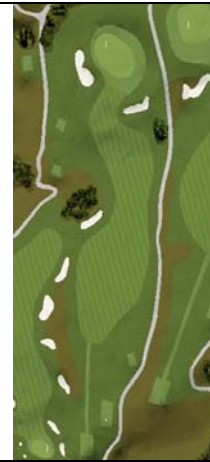
No12 Par 4 Lanai.

A statistically long par four transformed into a drive and pitch hole by the prevailing wind. An accurate, carrying tee shot to the hilltop leaves a short pitch to a small concave green with steep surrounding slopes. The bunkers guarding the putting surface on all but the front are placed more to save errant approaches from further harm than for penalty. A pitch shot landing 20 yards short will find its way to the green.



No13 Par 4 The Low Road.

The most difficult par four on the course, this long hole is made far longer and more difficult by the winds. Low boring tee shots and long iron or fairway wood approaches favouring the right side of the fairway are necessary to reach this deep and deceptive green in regulation. Putts numbering three or more will also be commonplace given the green's size and slope.



No14 Par 4 Plateau.

A very short par four playing through a crossing wind from the left, appears by yardage to be one of the easier holes on the course. Yet, the course's smallest green perched atop another plateau, the ever-present winds and an expansive array of fairway bunkers lying in wait test both tee shots and approaches. What this hole may lack in length it more than compensates for in personality.



No 15 Par 5 Switchback.

A double dogleg par five showing not bunkers but natural character. Switchback is strongly defined by its slopes, the crossing winds and another native canyon that borders the tee shot area on the right and the green on the left. Shots played more closely along these dangerous borders will afford opportunity for birdies.



No16 Par 4 Arena.

A moderate length par four with strong trade winds crossing from the left, Arena is a strategic hole of merit. A string of fairway bunkers on a diagonal from left to right strongly influence tee shot decisions. Tee shots played powerfully and accurately over the bunkers afford the best angle of attack to all pins except those set far left. These left side pins are best approached from the far right side of the fairway, an area most dangerous to long drivers.



No17 Par 4 Sunset.

Another unusually long par, Sunset is made accessible by prevailing winds and a downhill slope exceeding 150 feet from tee to green. The tee shot, preferably a high soaring draw, plays to a wide, collecting fairway sloping right to left. Approach shots are played with anything from middle irons to fairway woods; a large yet subtle green beckons to and accepts the long running approach. Davis Love III holds the all time longest drive on the PGA Tour here with a massive 476 yards (435m) bomb.



No18 Par 5 Home.

The hole around which the rest of the course was formulated, Home is an extremely long downhill, downwind par five. The hole is made reachable in two powerful blows by the assisting winds and slope. The large, receptive fairway and green are difficult to judge owing to the vast panoramas and the scale of the background. Here, the scale, drama and surrounding beauty is unparalleled; while the challenge is within reason. Welcome home.



Kapalua Plantation Tournament Hall of Fame

Tournament Champions

Division	Tee	Name	4 Round Total	Total	Date
Open Scratch	AM	Stan Dukic	78+80+71+86=315	+23	1/2/09
Open H'cap	AM	Mick Boyle	67+64+68+67=266	-26	1/2/09
Ladies Scratch	Ldy	Paula Anderson	88+100+89+83=360	+68	18/2/09
Ladies H'cap	Ldy	Michele Miller	86+72+73+67=298	+6	18/2/09

Tournament Course Record Holders

Tees	Name	Total 36+37=73	Score	Date
Amateur/Fwd	Stan Dukic	35+36=71	-2	16/1/09
Ladies	Paula Anderson	40+43=83	+10	18/2/09

Tournament Long Drives (Max 15mph wind)

Division	Name	Distance	Date
Open	Phil Sylvester	301.1m	4/1/09
Ladies	Debbie Baker	215.7m	3/2/09

Tournament NTP or Hole in One

Hole	Name	Distance	Date
2 nd	Mick Boyle	52cm	21/12/08
8 th	Ray Colburn	2.6m	29/12/08
11 th	Stan Dukic	10m	16/1/09

Longest Putt Holed (from green)

Name	Distance	Hole	Date
Mick Boyle	20m	15 th	21/12/08

Fewest Putts (18 Holes)

Name	Putts	Date
Rick Smith-Roberts	24	6/1/09

Tournament Greens in Regulation (18 Holes)

Division	Name	No	Date
Open	Stan Dukic	12	16/1/09
Ladies	Paula Anderson	9	3/2/09

Tournament Drives in Fairway (18 Holes)

Division	Name	No	Date
Open	Karl Boege	13	29/12/08
Ladies	Paula Anderson	14	3/2/09

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