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Arizona is synonymous with golf. In an area of such high demand for the sport, instruction for the game is abundant as well. But how does one know which golf outlets offer the best, most comprehensive learning programs?



The answer is easy, stick with reputable names and companies. When large, well-known brands hire professional golf instructors, they want those individuals to be top-notch representatives of the larger corporation. As members of the organization dealing directly with clients and establishing relationships with students, golf pros at big brand clubs, hotels and schools must not only be personable and enthusiastic about the game but also have golfing chops that stack up.

The screening process for golf instructors at resorts and golf schools, especially for those just looking to break into the business, is more developed than other facilities and as such, instructors with loads of experience and credits to their name usually get the gigs. One caveat, golf instruction is like beauty, in that its benefits are in the eye of the beholder. Selecting an instructor that jives well with you and your learning style is the ultimate goal, regardless of where your lessons take place.

One new option for residents of Southern Arizona territories is the CORPRAgolf Academy at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain. Since January, this specialized golf instructional series has offered an array of services to resort guests, club members and daily golf guests, including three-day golf schools, private instruction, daily clinics and customized programs for small groups and corporate outings.

Completing an intensive search for an instructional program that would enrich The Ritz-Carlton, Dove Mountain guest experience, the unique CORPRAgolf Academy was selected for its experience, versatility and reputation. Known for customizing programs to fit the goals and objectives of each student CORPRAgolf has a history of consistent, high-quality instruction.

Chuck Engel, an elite teaching professional who in close to 30 years of instruction has developed programs with Jack Nicklaus, Jim Flick, Davis Love Jr. and Bob Toski, founded CORPRAgolf in 2000. Members of the CORPRAgolf staff each has 20 or more years of teaching experience.

"We are excited to work with Chuck and his team to provide our members and guests with first-class golf instruction," said Jeff McCormick, Director of Golf Operations at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain. "Besides an expertise in golf instruction, the CORPRAgolf staff has a remarkable ability to utilize the golf facility as a vehicle for building relationships in a group setting."

The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain is a Jack Nicklaus Signature golf course located at The Ritz-Carlton, Dove Mountain in Marana, a suburb of Tucson.

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