

# SFGA Golf Getaway in the Nation's Oldest City Saint Augustine, Florida November 29 – December 2, 2021

# **Event Details:**

St. Augustine's rich heritage makes the city and its surroundings a unique getaway for visitors. Then add GOLF and the popular "Nights of Lights – holiday display" to the equation and you've got a can't miss year-end event!

Our group will stay at the award winning Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel in downtown, steps from restaurants, Castillo de San Marco, quaint shops and many attractions. The three night package includes elegant Spanish Colonial-style themed Accommodations, Breakfast each morning, two Receptions followed by Group Dinners and Rounds of Golf on the Palencia Club, St. Augustine's most expansive private country club and the popular Slammer & Squire Golf Course at the World Golf Village.

This event takes place during the 28th Annual Nights of Lights spectacle which illuminates the city with over three million lights adorning every corner of the historic district downtown. This is the annual winter holiday celebration in St. Augustine where each historic downtown business and many residents participate by lighting up their buildings. The celebration was chosen in 2011 and 2012 by National Geographic as one of the ten best holiday lighting displays in the world. The dazzling display continues to dazzle, becoming more and more popular each year as a holiday destination for vacationers from all over the world.

# **Package Inclusions:**

- 3 night's accommodations at the Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel(November 29, 30 December 1, 2021)
- 2 Rounds of Tournament Golf with cart and use of Practice Range Prior to Play:
  - Slammer and Squire Golf Course at the World Golf Village (November 30. 2021)
  - Palencia Golf Club (December 1, 2021)
- Welcome Reception followed by Dinner (November 29, 2021)
- Awards Reception followed by Dinner (December 1, 2021)
- Breakfast each morning at the Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel(November 30 - December 1 & 2, 2021)
- Tournament Entry Fee and opportunity to win Prizes
- Daily Valet Parking with unlimited entry & exit privileges, In-room and lobby WiFi and use of Fitness Center
- Taxes & Gratuities on planned meals

# Package Prices:

- A) \$1,150 Per Person Per Golfer, Double Occupancy or \$2,300 Per Couple both Golfing
- B) \$960 Per Non-Golfer, Double Occupancy or \$2,110 Per Couple, Golfer & Non-Golfer
- C) \$1,500 Per Golfer Single Occupancy
- D) \$350 Extra Night Upgraded Bay View King Room, Breakfast, Valet Parking and all Taxes

# **Tentative Itinerary:**

#### Monday, November 29, 2021:

4:00pm- Check in time begins at the Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel, if rooms are available earlier you may be able to check in 6:00pm- Welcome Reception followed by group Dinner

#### Tuesday, November 30, 2021:

7:00am- Breakfast service begins at your hotel

9:30am-Tee times on the Slammer and Squire Golf Course at the World Golf Village(2 Best of 4 Mixed Teams)

6:00pm- Dinner on your own - there are many local options within a 10 minute walk from the Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel

#### Sunday, December 1, 2021:

7:00am- Breakfast service begins at your hotel

10:30am- Tee times on Palencia Golf Club (1 Best of 4 on par 4's & 5's and 2 best of 4 on par 3's Couples Teams)

6:00pm- Cocktail Reception followed by Awards Dinner

#### Monday, December 2, 2021:

7:00am- Breakfast service begins at your hotel 11:00am- Participants depart after breakfast

## **Accommodations:**



The Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel is a boutique-style hotel, with interconnected cottage-style buildings, tiled roofs and wooden balconies; reminiscent of the rich Spanish culture inspired by the historic second Spanish period of 1784-1821 and conveniently located on the west side of the Matanzas Bay between Castillo de San Marcos and the Bridge of Lions within walking distance to the central downtown area with fabulous shops, restaurants.

museums, art galleries and theme attractions. This property is currently the smallest Hilton worldwide with only 72 guest rooms, an outdoor pool and hot tub, guest laundry and fitness facility and onsite full-service restaurant & bar.

Our group will stay in the Hilton's upgraded King Bay View Rooms. These rooms provide a view of St. Augustine's Matanzas Bay and offer 42-inch TV, work desk, mini-refrigerator, WiFi, Hilton Serenity Collection. These rooms have one king-sized bed and are decorated in an attractive Spanish Colonial motif. Each room has has a comfortable armchair with ottoman and a small desk work space. Additional features include a Hilton alarm clock radio with MP3 connection, a coffeemaker, mini-



refrigerator and hair dryers. You'll be able to experience the Hilton Serenity bed which features allergen-free down comforter and pillows, elegantly striped sheets and duvet cover, plus a mattress set custom designed for added support and comfort.

Parking can be challenging to find in St. Augustine's historic area, so we've included nightly valet parking for the duration of your stay. Knowledgeable staff at the front desk are standing by 24/7 to help with tours or tickets, luggage storage, and securing valuables. Additional amenities include a rooftop terrace, free WiFi in public areas, and conference space. We love the hotel's proximity to the many historic sites and museums, quaint shops, restaurants and pubs.

## The Golf Courses:

We've selected two golf courses that are excellent venues and well suited for our SFGA Competitions. However, you will be required to drive to both courses and they are 20-25 minutes from downtown St. Augustine. We normally stay at resorts that are closer to the golf, but in this instance we want our members to enjoy all the Nation's Oldest City has to offer, by staying right in the middle of the downtown historic area. The city is magnificent with so much to see and do, we know you'll love it!

#### Palencia Golf Club:

The Palencia Club is considered to be the finest private golf course in St. Augustine. It is located about 20 minutes north of downtown St. Augustine in a unique golf/residential community. The 18 hole Arthur Hills-designed

championship golf course is shaped by the natural beauty of the land, this 7,071 yard masterpiece winds through centuries-old maritime oak trees and along the Intra-coastal Waterway and the Tolomato River.

The golf course practice facilities are heralded by one and all for the spacious 10,000 square feet of putting surfaces, 400 yard double-sided driving range along with a short-game area to fine tune the chipping and bunker play.

Established in 2002, the golf course had earned the honor of being an Audubon Sanctuary honoring the beauty of nature, pristine views of magnificent marsh and



river views as well as blending gracefully into the Palencia "best of class" community.

#### The Slammer and Squire Golf Course at the World Golf Village

The Slammer & The Squire is an 18-hole, par 72, 6939-yard championship resort golf course designed by Bobby Weed with design consultants "The Slammer" Sam Snead and Gene "The Squire" Sarazen. The three



men shared a desire to build a golf course that would preserve the area's natural beauty and reward good shot making....and that's just what they did. This well-groomed course showcases the pristine, unspoiled wooded areas, wetlands and natural beauty of the region. It is relatively wide open with several contoured greens and impressive views of the World Golf Hall of Fame.

You'll discover a layout that places an emphasis on the short game which was reflective of the finesse game that made the "Slammer" and "Squire" legends. And, like the King & Bear, it features several water hazards; but the picturesque views of the World Golf Hall of Fame will definitely overshadow any challenges you may face. In fact, you can almost hear the voices of legends rooting you on as you make your way to the 18th green. After golf, our golf history buffs may consider a visit to World Golf Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame is located adjacent to the Slammer and Squire Club House.

#### Things to do in St. Augustine within walking distance of our hotel:

#### St. George Street:

St. George Street is the premier street in the nation's oldest city, a thoroughfare where pedestrians can stroll unencumbered by vehicle or even bicycle traffic. Antiquities, historic attractions and delectable cuisine are just a few of the things you'll find on St. George Street. And it is located just a few steps away from our hotel.

At the northern end of the street, visitors can explore boutiques like Sunburst Crystal and Tillie's Bath Cottage, as well as historic sites like the Old City Gates and the Oldest Wooden School



House. The Castillo de San Marcos National Monument and the St. Augustine Pirate & Treasure Museum are within walking distance; as you travel south, you'll see additional shops and cafes, plus art galleries and the Colonial Quarter. A trip to St. Augustine isn't complete without exploring St. George Street. Whether you're interested in learning about the history of the Nation's Oldest City or you want to enjoy a delicious meal at a local restaurant, you'll want to start at St. George Street.

#### Castillo de San Marcos National Monument:

The oldest masonry fort in the continental United States, the Castillo de San Marcos is a large Spanish stone fortress built to protect and defend Spain's claims in the New World. It's a National Monument and, at over 315 years old, it's

the oldest structure in St. Augustine. It's also one of the main attractions visitors to St. Augustine come to see. There's plenty of things to do at the Castillo, from the numerous rooms that once housed soldiers and prisoners, to the large interior courtyard and gun deck which offers a great view of the city. Regular daily programs and ranger-led tours are free with admission, as are cannon firings and weaponry demonstrations, which are offered (weather and staffing permitting) on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays at 10:30 am, 11:30 am, 1:30 pm, 2:30 pm & 3:30 pm.



Passes to the Castillo may be purchased at the ticket booth on site (open from 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.) or online here. Special events and programs offered by the Castillo may have additional fees.

#### **Colonial Quarter:**

Located on St. George Street in downtown St. Augustine's historic district, the Colonial Quarter offers visitors a glimpse into the lives of 16th-, 17th- and 18th-century residents. The living museum is divided into four areas: the 16th Century Spanish First City, the 17th Century Spanish Fortified Town, the 18th Century Spanish Garrison Town and the 18th Century British The 14th Colony. In each section, travelers can witness activities like the construction of a ship, musket

drills, leather working and cannon firing demonstrations.

Families and history buffs will enjoy exploring the Colonial Quarter. Previous visitors praised the guided Historic Adventure Tour, which is included in ticket prices. Though you can explore the property on your own, the tour guides offer interesting historical tidbits that help you fully understand what life was like in colonial St. Augustine. The Colonial Quarter is open daily between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.



#### Lightner Museum:

The eclectic Lightner Museum is located just south of Flagler College near St. Augustine's historic city center. Housed within the former Alcazar Hotel, which was built by Henry Flagler in 1888, the museum features an impressive collection of 19th-century art. Notable exhibits include unconventional items like shrunken



heads, salt and pepper shakers, human hair and cigar labels. You'll also find traditional art pieces and collections with Tiffany & Co. glass and antique furniture.

Recent travelers said the museum's architecture and collections more than justify the attraction's entrance fee. With four floors of exhibits, you can easily spend several hours exploring the property. And if you're hungry, grab a bite in the museum's cafe. Although it's only open for lunch, visitors say

the food is delicious. The Museum is open daily (excluding Christmas) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and music demonstrations are offered at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

#### **Bridge of Lions:**

The Bridge of Lions is a double-leaf bascule bridge that spans the Intracoastal Waterway in St. Augustine. A part of State Road A1A, it connects downtown St. Augustine to Anastasia Island across Matanzas Bay. A pair of copies of the



marble Medici lions guard the bridge, begun in 1925 and completed in 1927. Roads & Bridges magazine named the Bridge of Lions as fourth in the nation's top 10 bridges. There are pedestrian walkways on both sides of the bridge. The bridge is a draw bridge that opens up to let boat traffic through the Intracoastal Waterway.

We suggest a walk across the Bridge of Lions at sunset! I loved walking across the Bridge of Lions for the spectacular views of old St Augustine and you

can see the fort from the bridge too. St Augustine is one of the most charming places to visit in the United States and the bridge offers a wonderful vantage point to take in its beauty and history.

#### **Historic Tours of Flagler College:**

This tour showcases the architectural heritage and fascinating history of the former Hotel Ponce de Leon, a nationally designated historic landmark building, built by Henry Flagler in 1887. Millionaire industrialist and developer Henry M. Flagler envisioned creating an American Riviera in St. Augustine. His Hotel Ponce de Leon, now Flagler College, beautifully recaptures the architectural spirit of old Europe.



Presidents, dignitaries, royalty, and the upper class walked the halls of this magnificent hotel during its heyday. Designed for entertainment, relaxation, and grandeur, Flagler's hotel incorporated all of the modern conveniences of the time, including electricity, running water, and a Thomas Edison clock, one of the first-ever to be used in a public space. The Ponce de Leon is also home to the largest collection of Louis Comfort Tiffany-stained glass windows, with over 79 windows decorate the Dining Hall, which is included on the tour.

# St. Augustine offers so much to see and do that we suggest extending your stay.

#### Our package includes three a night stay

We'll keep you busy playing golf on Tuesday and Wednesday, so that doesn't leave much time to explore the many popular attractions listed above and others which include the St. Augustine Light House and Maritime Museum, the Pirate and Treasure Museum, Governor's House Cultural Center and Museum, Potter's Wax Museum, Old Town Trolley Tours, the Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park, St. Augustine Distillery, San Sebastian Winery and so much more...

If you have not been to St. Augustine, we highly recommend extending your visit by coming a night early or staying an extra night at the end of our package. The additional night will cost \$350 and includes: a King Bay View Room at the Hilton St. Augustine Historic Bayfront Hotel, Breakfast, Valet Parking, Taxes and Fees.

The additional night provides time to explore the Nation's Oldest City at your own pace.

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