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Pronghorn Resort *Central Oregon*

About your stay

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Ringed by the Cascade Mountains, Pronghorn Resort is an invigorating place for golfers, gourmets and adventure-seekers alike. Located in Bend, Oregon, this exclusive golf community includes two world-class courses and is close to some of the finest fishing, rafting, hiking and skiing in the country. Great for a romantic, high-desert getaway for couples, or an activity-filled break for families.



What we love

- Pronghorn's Jack Nicklaus signature 18-hole golf course is a serious challenge, intertwined with lava rock ridges and magnificent views of the Cascades.
- The 55,000-square-foot clubhouse, designed in the style of the grand lodges of the national parks.
- Fine-dining restaurant Chanterelle, and the dark wooden bar Cascada.
- The resort's PGA Tour Academy uses the latest technology and professional experts.
- Bend is a hot tourist destination, with brewery tours, art gallery exhibits, top-notch shopping and live entertainment
- 300 days of sun make outdoor activities possible year-round.
- During winter months, skiers revel in the powder at nearby Mount Bachelor, the fifth-largest ski resort in North America.

What to know

- There is a two night minimum stay.
- Tom Fazio course is available to guests only if accompanied by a member host.
- There is a strict golfing dress code.
- It's a three-hour drive from Portland.
- Sporadic winter opening hours at Chanterelle restaurant.
- Junior Suites are best for couples.

Why to go

Adventure • Golf • Mountains

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Pronghorn Resort is a golf lover's haven in the middle of Oregon's high desert country — an area renowned for outdoor adventure and more than 300 days of sunshine a year. The polished hardwood accommodations have a rustic ambience and top-shelf amenities, plus views of one of the most beautiful greens in the world: the 18th hole of the Jack Nicklaus signature course.

The three- and four-bedroom units are fully furnished with every modern amenity, including home technology, spa-style baths and full kitchens that can be prestocked with groceries by the concierge. Outside, private patios feature stone firepits and barbecues for warm evenings. Junior Suites are great for couples, with a large bedroom, bathroom and access to the full concierge services.



A haven for golfers, Pronghorn is home to two world-class courses.

Nationally recognized as one of the finest golf developments in the country, Pronghorn has a private Tom Fazio course and a Jack Nicklaus course side by side. While the Fazio

course is sloped to help players reach the green, the Nicklaus course offers no such concession.

What really sets the resort apart, however, is the Tour Academy at Pronghorn. Supported by a staff of golf experts, the futuristic facility uses state-of-the-art teaching technologies including V1 video analysis and Dynamic Balance System.

For non-golfers, Pronghorn is a destination for outdoor activities. Situated on two acres, the Trailhead activity center houses two pools, hot tubs, basketball and tennis courts, and a playground. The resort's activity concierge guides first-timers and hardcore adventurers to enjoy outings such as "Raft and Draft," during which participants enjoy a rafting trip followed by a barbecue featuring beer from the best local breweries. There are also overnight trips to Crater Lake, midnight canoe picnics, fly fishing, rock climbing, mountain biking, wine tasting, wildflower hikes and so much more.

What to do

- **Tee it up.** No matter which golf course you play, the common jaw-dropper is the dramatic mountain views. Mount Bachelor, Mount Jefferson, Three Sisters, Broken Top and other peaks tower over the region.
- **Shop the Old Mill.** Bend's Old Mill district offers a rich history along with amazing mountain views and river vistas. It's a terrific venue for name-brand shopping, drinking, dining and watching a movie or a live performance.
- **Peep at Porcupines.** Bend's High Desert Museum is a surprisingly fascinating collection of creatures and heritage. Not only can visitors enjoy historical reenactments, they can get up close to foxes, reptiles, bald eagles, owls and a prickly porcupine family.
- **Run the Rapids.** The 252-mile Deschutes River is renowned for whitewater rafting and kayaking, with hair-raising rapids and rugged scenery. Hikers may wish to climb the craggy spires of Smith Rock or trek along the world's largest obsidian flow at Newberry Volcanic Monument.
- **Hit the Slopes.** Nearby Mount Bachelor has 3,683 acres of downhill and cross-country fun accessible by 11 chairlifts. Pronghorn offers complimentary shuttles daily.

How to get there

Flights are available to Redmond Municipal Airport (RDM) from major U.S. cities on a variety of carriers. Transfers to/from RDM, which is 16 miles from the hotel, are complimentary and can be arranged through the property. Taxis cost approximately \$35 to \$50, each way. Alternatively, flights are available to Portland International Airport (PDX) from major U.S. cities on a variety of carriers, but the hotel does not provide transfers.

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