

South Carolina's **Olde English District** Drawing golfers south for golf variety

Does the name 'Olde English District' bring to mind golf? Probably not. Yet, this South Carolina region is a wonderfully surprising golf destination. Most of the area is situated along the heavily traveled Interstate 77 which stretches from Charlotte to Columbia, SC. This makes it a great place to settle in and play for a day, or two, or three.

Golfing in the Olde English District of South Carolina can take you on a historical journey down the Donald Ross-designed fairways of Fort Mill Country Club, or a scenic ride through the rolling hills of Tega Cay Golf Club, tumble across rolling hills covered with a blanket of matures trees at Edgewater Golf Club, or through the unique layout and the sandhills of Cheraw State Park's 18-hole golf course where no two fairways are adjacent to each other.

Local golfers are also familiar with several other of the 18-Olde English District courses just a short drive from Charlotte. This list includes the four Leroy Springs courses, Springfield, Lancaster and Chester Golf Clubs along with the earlier mentioned Fort Mill Golf Club. Carolina Lakes Golf Club at

Sun City, Waterford in Rock Hill and Spring Lake Country Club in York just adds to the variety of courses featured in the District.

Edgewater Golf Club, opened in 2008, has continued to be one of the top rated courses of the District between Charlotte and Columbia. Edgewater has a peaceful setting with a terrain as scenic as it is challenging, providing the layout with dramatic elevation changes and plenty of water.

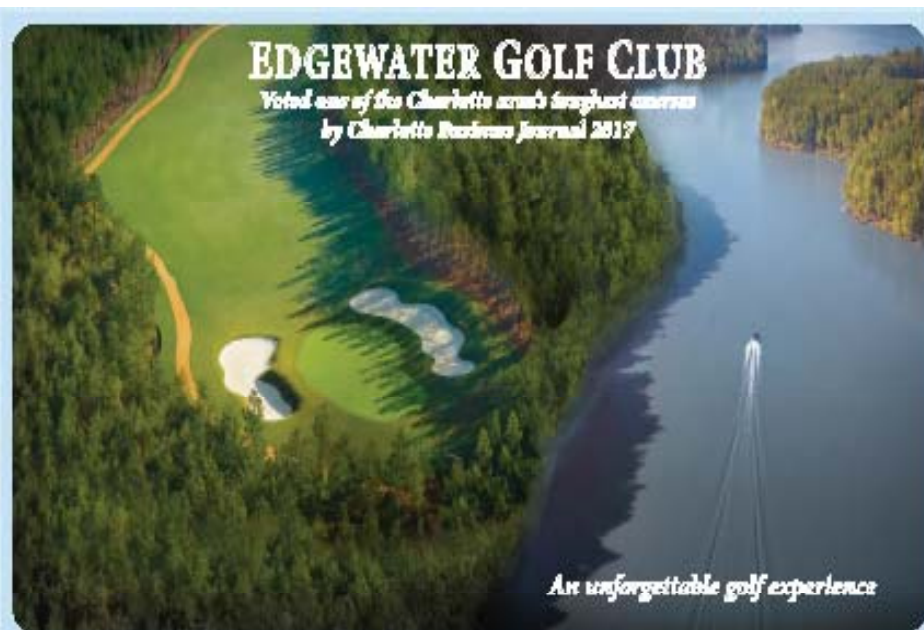
In addition to the natural hazards, there are numerous strategically placed bunkers lurking along the greensides. One of Edgewater Golf Club's most memorable holes is the par-4 7th. This tricky hole is a downhill dogleg left that forces you to drive right-center of the fairway, followed by a tough approach to a green that sits on the bank above Fishing Lake Creek.

Still another gem of the District is Cheraw State Park golf course. This layout will remind knowledgeable golfers of those classic golf courses designed and built in the early 1900's.

With gentle sloping greens and generous landing areas on most par-4 and par-5 holes, golfers will experience golf in a true parkland setting. Lake Juniper serves as a backdrop on several holes, making Cheraw Park a visual treat.

Except for Cheraw and Camden, all of the courses are short trips off the interstate. One of 40 courses in the country to be designated by Golf Digest as a 'Super value,' Cheraw State Park Golf Course is located about an hour north of Florence and is well worth the drive. The best kept secret in South Carolina won't be that way once you have played it.

Dip into history and enjoy a variety of golf courses in the Olde English District of South Carolina. For a list of all of the courses with contact information and courses descriptions logon at OldeEnglishDistrict.com.



Golf Advisor rates Edgewater
Top 15 courses in S.C.
Top 25 value courses in U.S.
Top 15 in pace of play in U.S.

Championship course ~ Great customer service
Practice/Teaching facility ~ Wildlife

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