





# The Golf Club 2019 Featuring PGA TOUR – Tips & Tricks

## 1 v 1 Match Play

Set up a **Private Skins Match** with a Friend for In-Game Currency.

- 1. Create a party with your friend / rival by sending an invite from the **Manage Party** screen. Wait for your friend to join your party (they will appear in the button you selected).
- 2. Set up your match from the **Create Private Match** screen, then back out to the Main Menu select **Create Private Match**. Set your Play Format to **Skins**.
- 3. Select **Change Custom Rules**, and choose your Skins Buy-in value. You can pick 1, 10, or 100 per hole. Set the Room Type to In-game Party Only.
  - a. "Points" lets you play skins rules with no coins on the line. (Make sure you and your opponent have enough coins saved up for the whole match or you won't be able to start the match.
- 4. Select **Change Course** (see top user-created courses below\*), Change Course Conditions, green speeds, etc.
- 5. Select **Create Match** when you're happy with your selections and ready to rumble.
- 6. Have your friend join the match. (Your friends will need the required coin for the Skins Buy-in in order to join you.) **Ready-up** for your match. This is also the last chance to tweak your clubs and outfit before your match (Select your nameplate, then **Edit Golfer**). **Select "Ready"** when you're good to go.
- 7. **Play your match**. The player who wins a hole earns the skins built up until that point. A tie results in skins carrying over to the next hole. The match ends when all holes are played.
- **8. Use your winnings.** Provided you came out of the match in the black, use your winnings to buy your golfer some new gear via the **Edit Golfer** menu.

# **Top 10 User-Created Courses**

Hit the links like never before. HB Studios provided their top 10 user-created courses, based off the top 25 most played courses, community suggestions and the creators' personal favorites.

- Valmont Golf Club (Alpine Peak Course)
- The Low Course At St Bedes (Coastal Links Course)
- Salish Ridge Golf Club (Dense Forest & Wetland Course)
- El Pistolero (City Limits Course)
- The Calico At Red Rock (Desert Steppe Course)
- Gauchos De La Quebrada (Rocky Plains Course)
- Eagle Lake Golf And Yacht (Alpine Valley Course)
- Maka Sichu Golf Club (Desert Course)
- Fa'aitoito Resort GC (Tropical Island Course)
- Hell's Ridge (Mountainous Fantasy Course)







# **Increase Your Pace Of Play**

While your shot is in the air, you can hold the Y, or Triangle button to speed up your ball flight. This won't affect the outcome of your shot, but it will help you get through a round much more quickly.

## **Pick The Right Club Set**

The Master Clubs may give you the most distance at the cost of the biggest challenge, but if they're proving too frustrating to play with, don't hesitate to switch to the Pro Clubs—or even the Beginner Clubs—to improve your experience. The same goes in the other direction: If you're finding your chosen club set to be a cakewalk, try choosing the next set up. Not only will you get more distance, but the additional challenge in shot execution feels much more rewarding. You can change your club set by selecting "Edit Golfer" from the Main Menu, then changing your Club Difficulty. (Note: this will not affect any in-progress rounds you have saved).

## **Use Your Putting Marker & Practice, Practice, Practice**

Putting can be tough, especially adjusting your putt strength for those uphill and downhill putts. Aiming (L-stick by default) in front of the hole when putting downhill, and behind the hole for uphill is a good way to account for this, just like in real-life. Setting up the putting marker to the correct distance helps your golfer get their putt strength in that range.

The default distance of the putting marker that the game gives you is usually very close to what you want, so focus on aiming left/right for the break when starting out to get it close. That being said, even with the distance of that putting marker set perfectly, you still need to hit the ball with the right amount of force. The length of your backstroke is what dictates how strong your putt will be.

This part of the game is largely about feel; and trial and error. Get lots of practice in on different green speeds to improve your putting skills.

#### **Use Your Shot Previews In Clutch Situations.**

A new feature added to this year's game is **Shot Preview**. You can access this during your shot setup by first switching to Practice Swing mode (Click on the R-stick by default) then switching to Shot Preview (A button on Xbox, Cross button on PS4). Shot Preview will allow you to take your shot and see what the result will be. The Shot Preview will not count toward your score, nor will you get to keep it, even if you hole out. You still need to switch back to your regular swing to continue your round. The number of times you can use Shot Preview per round is limited. Also note that Shot Preview will be unavailable when playing with the Master Clubs, in Online Matchmaking, as well as certain events in Online Societies.