

### **GLAZE MEADOW**

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## GLAZE MEADOW'S SECOND LIFE HAS MADE IT ONE OF THE BEST IN CENTRAL OREGON

(BLACK BUTTE RANCH, Ore.)—Glaze Meadow has lived two distinct lives. The first, the wending 1980 design of Gene "Bunny" Mason — the legendary Black Butte Ranch golf pro who was vital in the development of the resort. Glaze Meadow's second life — played as a 7,007-yard, par-72 championship course — has been even more spectacular since the course reopened after an extensive renovation in 2012.

Renowned architect John Fought — an Oregon native and former U.S. Amateur champion — returned to his home state to transform Glaze Meadow into an homage to the "Golden Era" of golf course architecture of the 1920s and 1930s. Fought, who is the brother of Black Butte Ranch's longtime director of golf Jeff Fought, certainly hit the mark. So much so that Golf Inc. Magazine named Glaze Meadow its "Renovation of the Year."

Shaped by the aspen and ponderosa pines that are ubiquitous at the Ranch, and utilizing the terrain's natural elevation changes, Glaze Meadow's routing is largely unchanged from its earliest days. But the character of the course is altogether different. The mountain course's elevated, rectangular tee boxes, large grass-faced bunkers, and turtleback greens throughout are features reminiscent of a Donald Ross or Harry Colt design.

While those classic attributes ensure that shotmaking options were never sacrificed, Fought also aimed to make Glaze Meadow more welcoming to golfers of all stripes. The fairways are generous enough to keep most golfers in play, even with added bunkering that challenges even great players. An added fifth set of tees, dubbed the "family tees," shows what's at heart of this second life.

By opening up the fairways, Glaze Meadow also better showcases the beauty of its setting. That striking scenery hits a high note during a spectacular four-hole stretch, beginning with the par-5 second, that is set in the colorful meadow for which the course is named. Those holes flow through those flats, where the natural wetlands contribute a pair of water hazards on three holes.

The variety of Glaze Meadow is particularly evident on the back nine, which consists of three par 3s, three par 4s, and three par 5s. At 621 yards, the 12th hole is among the longest in the Pacific Northwest and finishes with a gorgeous view of the Cascade Range. But the most memorable hole may be the 17th, a downhill par 3 that will have golfers holding their breath as the ball crashes back to earth toward an impressive green complex framed by a backdrop of aspens.

Without a doubt, this interesting, thought-provoking, and most of all, fun, second life has made Glaze Meadow a must-play golf course in Central Oregon.

To book a tee time, call 541-595-1500 or visit <a href="www.blackbutteranch.com/golf/tee-time">www.blackbutteranch.com/golf/tee-time</a>.

**Opened:** 1982

Architects: Gene "Bunny" Mason (1982), original design; John Fought (2012), renovation

Par: 36-36—72
Course Statistics:

| Tees          | Yardage | Rating | Slope |
|---------------|---------|--------|-------|
| Black         | 7,007   | 72.7   | 133   |
| Blue          | 6,506   | 70.5   | 128   |
| White (men)   | 5,931   | 68.3   | 120   |
| White (women) | 5,931   | 73.5   | 136   |
| Red (men)     | 5,367   | 65.5   | 113   |
| Red (women)   | 5,367   | 70.2   | 126   |
| Gold (men)    | 4,909   | 63.4   | 109   |
| Gold (women)  | 4,909   | 67.6   | 118   |

# **About Black Butte Ranch**

Since 1970, Black Butte Ranch has offered a unique, family-oriented Central Oregon experience at the foot of the gorgeous Cascade Range. The sweeping 1,800-acre destination resort features sweeping views of the surrounding peaks — including the Three Sisters, Mount Washington, Black Butte, Broken Top, Three Fingered Jack, and Mount Jefferson — and endless outdoor opportunities. The family-friendly property offers an array of lodging accommodations, two championship golf courses, putting course, five swimming pools, award-winning restaurants, and a full-service spa. For more information: <a href="BlackButteRanch.com">BlackButteRanch.com</a>.