

ROADSIDE NINE

Ras Tanura Surfside Golf Course

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	443	4	1
Red	388	4	5



HOLE 1 - Tough Start

This is the longest par 4 for both men and ladies. Surf Avenue borders the right side and is designated as a lateral water hazard. A long vast area of lush green grass and trees of different kinds on the left separates fairways #1 and #10. There are a bunker on the right and one on the left at approximately 200 yards from the blue tee. Two more bunkers are located each side of the hole at the 75-yard markers, thanks to Brendan Barrett. A deep bunker flanks the brown green on the right; a shallow one is on its lower left. Oleanders and Indian rubber trees stand tall behind this green.

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	174	3	11
Red	133	3	15



HOLE 2 - Blown Away

This hole faces east and crosswinds usually blow south. A winding cart path leads to its brown green and fairway #3. Trees are on the left side of the path. Bushes are on its both sides. There are 3 bunkers surrounding the right-sloping green: one on the left, one on the right and one in the back. Large trees circle these bunkers. A green keeper's shed is situated next to the left bunker. Beyond it lurks a deep valley covered with eel grass bushes.

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	367	4	5
Red	367	4	3



HOLE 3 – Ride With the Wind

Hole #3 is dogleg right. Large trees are on the right of the fairway. Beyond these trees lays a lateral water hazard. A ditch covered with beach morning glory vines runs between this hole and hole #4. On the left, large trees and bushes separate fairways #4 and #11. A large bunker near the 150-yard marker will stop any straying ball from disappearing into the bushes. There are 3 more bunkers to deal

with before completing the hole: one at the left 40-yard area and 1 on each side of the down-sloping, 2-tiered brown green.



Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	167	3	17
Red	167	3	17



HOLE 4 - Easy Ace

Many Surside golfers have aced this hole. On the left erects a long and high green fence marked with out-of-bounds white stakes. On the right a ditch marked with red stakes runs up to the dogleg on hole #5. Beach morning glory vines cover its sides and line the right side of the cart path. Large trees scatter around the brown green. One bunker is on its right; the other on its left front quadrant. Surf Ave is out of bounds behind the green.

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	514	5	9
Red	420	5	7



HOLE 5 - Road Hole

#5 doglegs to the right. A ditch marked with yellow stakes runs along on the left and around the sharp bend until it meets the lake between holes #5 and #7. A designated drop area is for the ditch west of Surf Ave before the bend. On the right large trees and red stakes border this hole. 50 yards in front of the green lie a bunker on the left and one on the right of the fairway. 2 long and narrow bunkers run side-by-side on the left near the green. The left-bunkered

and 2-tiered green slopes back to front and left to right.



Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	183	3	13
Red	166	3	13



HOLE 6 - Tough Ace

This hole faces north and endures headwinds. The left side features a lake stocked with small, larva-eating fish and ducks collected from Safwa. Big trees and giant reeds cover the left area 50 yards from the Red tee to the cart path to hole #7. On the right of the blue tee are the out-of-bounds Surf Avenue and more trees and fan palms. The green has bunkers on both sides.



Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	522	5	15
Red	420	5	11



HOLE 7 - Let 'er Rip

#7 enjoys tailwinds. The right side from the blue tee to the red one is designated as out of bounds. Lateral water hazards are on the left. One bunker on the right is approximately 218 yards and one on the left 250 yards to the green. A ditch marked with yellow stakes runs across the fairway 100 yards to the green. 3 bunkers surrounds the 3-tiered green that slopes back to front.

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	416	4	3
Red	324	4	9



HOLE 8 - Keep It Low

This is a long par 4 with headwinds. The course perimeter fence on the left is out of bounds. The ditch between holes #8 and #7 on the right is a lateral water hazard. Two left side -by-side bunkers and a right one are about 150 yards to the green. A yellow-staked ditch runs across the fairway to the left lake. A drop area is provided. The left- and- right-bunkered green has a pretty level surface.

Tee	Yardage	Par	HDCP
Blue	347	4	9
Red	347	4	1



HOLE 9 - Miscommunication

#9 features a dogleg right. Out of bounds are Palm Drive and Acacia Street on the left, the Communications building fence on the right, cart sheds and areas behind the green. A long bunker lies before the left 150-yard blue stake. Beyond the 2 blue stakes, large acacias, fan palms, green grass and reeds border the fairway. The green is well-bunkered, 2-tiered and back-to-front sloped.