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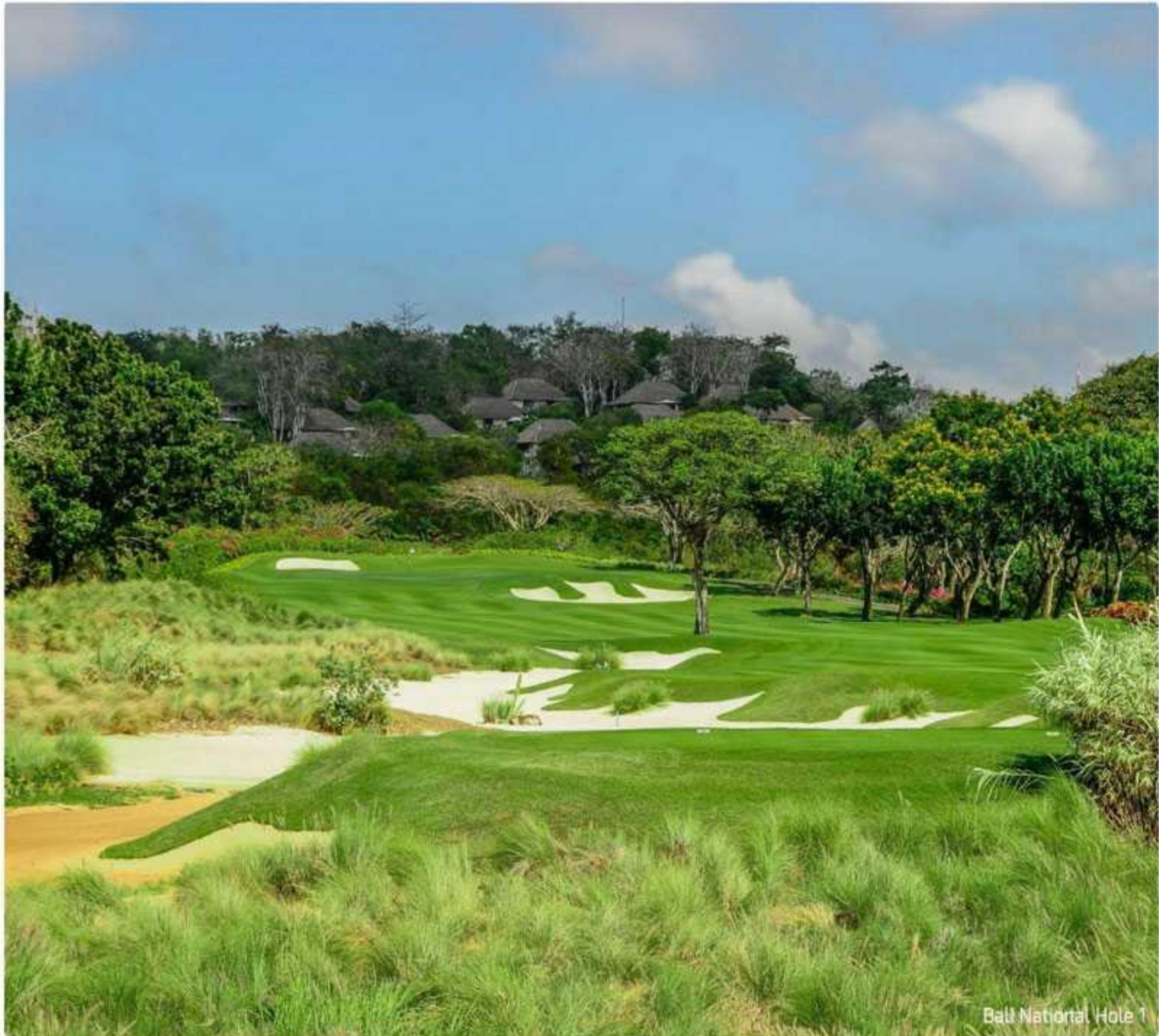
# BALI, NUSA DUA & BEYOND

*THE ISLAND OF THE GODS APPEALS TO SPIRITED GOLFERS*

With its palm-fringed beaches, rich culture and welcoming people, it's little wonder Bali attracts millions of visitors per annum. And if you haven't already experienced it, there's another reason to discover Bali—it's a golfing paradise!

Welcome to Bali National Golf Club and Bukit Pandawa Golf & Country Club. >>





Bali National Hole 1

Image : Sam Gole

Not commonly known to many golfers, Bali proudly boasts an outstanding golfing experience. The enchanting Indonesian island features two superb golf courses—Bali National Golf Club and Bukit Pandawa Golf & Country Club. Both courses are ideally situated in the stunning Nusa Dua beach region.

Nusa Dua is located about 30 minutes south east of Kuta and Ngurah Rai International Airport. Quiet and secluded, Nusa Dua is predominantly luxury hotels, a small shopping centre and sandy beaches that aren't over crowded! It is much slower paced than the popular tourist hot spots of Kuta and Seminyak. That makes it the ideal place to relax and unwind. And with 36 wonderful holes of golf at your doorstep, Nusa Dua is emerging as a world-class golf and accommodation destination.

#### BALI NATIONAL GOLF CLUB

If you are a golfer who appreciates a premium play and stay golfing experience, you'll value Bali National Golf Club. Bali National features a superbly shaped and challenging golf course and opulent Villa accommodation. And, it's conveniently located only a 25-minute drive from Ngurah Rai International Airport.

The immaculately presented 6,552-metre layout enjoys spectacular views over the majestic backdrop of Gunung Agung and the Indian Ocean.

Formerly known as Bali Golf and Country Club, the 18-hole championship layout was redesigned by Nelson & Haworth Golf Course Architects, and officially reopened on March 1, 2014. The major transformation included the successful remodeling of new fairways and green complexes. The renovation project was so successful; Golf Inc. Magazine awarded Bali National



Bali National Hole 15



Bali National Hole 11



Bali National Hole 6

Golf Club as the 3rd Best Renovated Golf Course in the World 2015.

The impressive course includes two distinctly different nines—both expertly crafted. The undulating front nine is routed through lush vegetation—the colourful tropical backdrop is stunning. While the back nine features expansive bunkering systems. The layout strategically wraps itself around spectacular but hazardous water systems.

Bali National is bookended with two cracking holes. The beautifully framed 446-metre, par-4 first hole is one of the best opening holes I've played in Asia. The 18th hole is superb too; with water snaking its way along the left side of the fairway and in front of the green. At 372 metres, this closing hole isn't long, but it's a par-4 with plenty of bite.

But while both holes will make an impact, they won't be the only course highlights to leave their mark. There are 16 other excellent holes that will impress—it's the consistent quality of the layout that sets Bali National apart from many resort courses.

Various tee options at each hole allow all golfers to enjoy playing their round at Bali National. Head to the 'Championship Tees' if you're a low marker seeking the toughest challenge. It's a serious test from the tips, but Bali National offers a fair contest, so you'll be rewarded for solid ball-striking. If you're a higher marker looking for a head start, move up to the 'Resort Tees'. With around 1000 metres less to cover across the 18 holes, accuracy rather than distance will be the key to scoring well.

All golfers, regardless of where you start each hole, can expect superb course conditions throughout the entire layout. The presentation of Bali National is excellent. Manicured paspalum fairways provide you with the ideal surface to launch your approach to each pin. And once you've landed on the well-guarded and generously proportioned targets, putting out on the



Bali National Golf Villas



smooth tiff eagle greens is a joy.

For a real thrill, the renovated layout features a new 17th hole, which replicates the famous par-3 island hole at TPC Sawgrass in Florida. You must find the green for your ball to stay dry.

Bali National Golf Villas are another recent addition located within the resort. Opened in June (2015), seven luxurious villas overlook the challenging and stunning 17th and 18th holes. Each spacious villa can accommodate four guests or more—ideal for small groups sharing a relaxing holiday getaway. Villa services include the personal butler, who is exclusively appointed to meet guests' wishes. Villa facilities are equal to the best in Bali. Each villa boasts a private pool and cabana, outdoor dining, luxury fittings and a lush tranquil setting. The resort also features Mandara Spa where you can enjoy a private spa experience in the privacy of your villa.

With its excellent golf, villa and wellness offer, Bali National Golf Club is the ideal golf play and stay paradise.

#### BUKIT PANDAWA GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

Bukit Pandawa Golf & Country Club opened in Gunung Payung (South Kuta) in 2016. And the 18-hole, par-3 layout is a big hit with golfers who swing by Bali in search of an enthralling getaway.

The captivating short course is situated on a limestone cliff-top overlooking the world-famous surf breaks of Bukit Peninsula. It's the first 18-hole, par-3 championship course in Indonesia.

Sculpted by Bob Moore, a Partner at the JMP Golf Design Group, the picturesque layout weaves its way from elevated ridges to ocean cliff edges and features 10 holes with Indian Ocean views.

The course measures 2,767 metres from the tips. And while its total length is dwarfed by the enormous distances of modern designs, Bukit Pandawa is not



Bukit Pandawa Hole 9

Image: Sam Gole

short on challenge. The layout boasts 18 testing par-3s. The opening two holes measure 178 metres and 223 metres respectively. Both holes require a long iron or a wood to reach their distant greens.

The course is routed through dramatic rock outcroppings. Wall structures are a feature as evidenced at the tricky 121-metre fourth hole. With its narrow green cleverly positioned between a series of limestone shelves, careful club selection is required to avoid a rocky landing.

The fifth is played over a ravine. At 162 metres, it's another demanding mid-iron tee shot that requires good judgment and solid contact to find the putting surface.

The front nine, which is the longer of the two nines, rounds off with a pair of spectacular par 3s. Holes eight and nine run adjacent to each other and measure 150 metres and 167 metres respectively. Both holes offer a thrilling tee-shot over water. At the ninth green, a right hand side pin position places the cup precariously within metres of the lake. It's a memorable hole with plenty of wow-factor.

The route to the tenth hole meanders past the impressive clubhouse—a 3,000-square-metre construction inspired by the ancient temples and towers of Bali. The imaginative, twin-block structure was designed to blend into its natural surroundings through the liberal implementation of local materials. This includes stone, wood and native grasses. Water flows seamlessly through many of the building's spaces. The facility's signature drawcard is the rooftop restaurant. The al fresco dining and lounge areas overlook the ocean and the course. It's the ideal spot to relax after your round with playing partners and recap Bukit Pandawa's stunning holes.

And when it comes to great holes, the back nine at Bukit Pandawa includes some genuine rippers.

The two standout holes are the 13th and 18th.



Many who have enjoyed playing the course rate the 170-metre, 13th as the signature hole. And it's easy to see why. The hole plays slightly uphill to an undulating green which is framed by three bunkers. The long-iron tee-shot is struck over curved stonewalls in the foreground and toward the prominent ancient Balinese kul-kul tower behind the green. Watching your ball sail into the backdrop of the shimmering Indian Ocean completes the stunning scene.

The exciting 18th at Bukit Pandawa is surely one of the world's most dramatic closing holes. From the top tee platform, the hole measures 154 metres. The green appears like a stage positioned in front of the imposing clubhouse. And like many vivid holes, the evident presence of water adds plenty of interest. There's even a powerful multi-level waterfall to complement your final act. Scoring a par here will take your best performance.

All things considered, Bukit Pandawa offers a wonderful golfing experience. This Balinese beauty boasts a brilliant layout, stunning coastal surrounds and au naturel clubhouse.

From stunning holes with magnificent ocean views to fairways nestled within lush tropical settings, each magnificent course offers a different experience.

If you are looking for a destination that offers peace and quiet, five-star accommodation and a quality golfing experience, you'll love Nusa Dua.

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