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## Fiddler's Creek recognized as one of top clubs in the world



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Fiddler's Creek has been awarded the Distinguished Emerald Club designation, an honor attained by only the top 5 percent of private clubs in the world.

Fiddler's Creek earned top scores following an October 2015 on-site visit evaluating the member experience in 10 categories, including golf, dining, fitness and clubhouse.

Distinguished Achievement in Leadership awards also were presented to nine club employees.

The annual Distinguished Clubs of the World awards program is conducted by BoardRoom magazine, one of the most respected trade publications serving private clubs, and is designed to recognize and preserve the private club tradition.

"We'd like to congratulate Fiddler's Creek for earning Distinguished Emerald Club status and inclusion in an elite list of the world's best club experiences," said John Fornaro, the magazine's publisher. "Special recognition also goes to Ron Albeit, Fiddler's Creek general manager, as well as the club's board of directors, department heads and the entire staff for their efforts in providing an excellent member experience."

"Being named a Distinguished Emerald Club is an incredible honor," said Tony DiNardo, vice president and CFO of Fiddler's Creek LLC. "We are dedicated to providing an unrivaled golf and club experience at Fiddler's Creek, and this award recognizes our commitment. Our members will be proud to belong to one of the top clubs in the world."

To be considered as a Distinguished Club of the World, clubs must be nominated by a committee representing their peers — the most well-respected private club general managers and industry experts.

BoardRoom executives, who have visited more than 5,000 clubs worldwide, use a proprietary club-specific rating system focusing on food and beverage service, golf operations and courses, tennis, aquatics, spa and club facilities, as well as intangible qualities such as reputation, traditions, history and lore.

Fiddler's Creek's signature 18-hole Creek Course, designed by golf course architect Arthur Hills, has created legendary moments and rich traditions since its opening in February 2002. Named among Golfweek Magazine's Top 100 Best Residential Golf Courses in the country



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Amenities at Fiddler's Creek include the 18-hole Creek Course designed by Arthur Hills shown top left and a 54,000-square-foot Club & Spa shown above.

for 11 consecutive years, the course was designed within existing marshlands, nature preserves, creeks and waterways in the approximately 4,000-acre Fiddler's Creek, a luxury master-planned community on Collier Boulevard on the way to Marco Island.

The Creek Course and Fiddler's Creek also have received recognition in Links magazine as one of America's 100 Premier Properties, Travel + Leisure Golf magazine's America's Top 100 Golf Communities, and GolfCourseRealty.com's Top 10 Best Residential Courses in the Sunshine State.

Amenities include the 54,000-square-foot Club & Spa at Fiddler's Creek, a fitness center, tropical lagoon-style swimming complex, tennis courts, and casual and elegant dining. The Club & Spa offers a luxurious resort lifestyle and hosts numerous communitywide parties and special events for residents of all ages.

In addition to joining The Golf Club, residents also have membership opportunities in The Tarpon Club, which offers a beach and boating experience that includes beach access at the Marco Beach Ocean Resort, ranked among the Top Resorts in the U.S. by Travel + Leisure's World's Best Awards and by Condé Nast Traveler.

Pre-construction and move-in-ready homes at Fiddler's Creek are priced from the \$300,000s to over \$2



Fiddler's Creek is a 4,000-acre gated master-planned community on Collier Boulevard on the way to Marco Island.

million and are offered by five homebuilders: Ashton Woods Homes, D.R. Horton, Lennar Homes, Stock Signature Homes and Taylor Morrison.

The Fiddler's Creek information center is at 8152 Fiddler's Creek Parkway. Online at [fiddlerscreek.com](http://fiddlerscreek.com).