



The Inn at Penn National

The Penn National Inn is located off the eighth fairway of the Founders Course. White Rock Manor House, built in 1847 and visited by such notables as Robert E. Lee and Confederate General J.E.B. Stuart, is the centerpiece of the inn complex. The Manor House's imposing and beautiful brick structure offers conference facilities and guest rooms.

Six modern lodges surround the Manor House, providing 52 spacious rooms with two full-size beds, and private baths. Penn National Inn specializes in hosting small and medium-sized golf groups.

Other amenities include spa services, auto detailing, barbecues and fly fishing lessons.

Great all-inclusive stay-and-play packages with taxes, gratuities, breakfast and dinner at the Founders Grille in the Founders Clubhouse are available.

Reservations

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GOLF CLUB & INN

Home of the Buddy Golf Trip

A group of 16 guys who refer to themselves as "Hackfest" is standing on the first tee of the Founders Course at Penn National Golf Club & Inn in Mont Alto, Pennsylvania. Meanwhile, the 12 "Golfing Divas" are teeing it up at Iron Forge just a few hundred yards away. Beyond the funny names and typical incessant banter, these two groups have little in common. They come from different states, have different jobs and different backgrounds. And they are about to have completely different golf experiences. The one thing they have in common is a love of their annual golf trip with their buddies. And that is how both groups have arrived at Penn National.

Golf has a way of keeping friends together. Whether it's a group of college buddies or a group that started on the same career path but has strayed over the years, the golf group remains a comfortable place and the golf trip becomes an annual reunion – a place to relive past glory or to catch up on friends' lives. But mostly the golf trip is a time for golf and camaraderie and to work over the guy who shanks a 9-iron on the 18th hole of the second round with three presses on the line.

You can go down the list of destinations that cater to golf buddies and their junkets, but it will be tough to find a drive destination better suited to four guys (or eight, 12 or 16 for that matter). Penn National is an easy drive from the major cities and surrounding states, and once you're there you can forget your car because the golf, lodging and dining are all located at the resort.

What makes Penn National such an appealing place for a golf trip is that you will rarely find two such differing courses that play from the same clubhouse. The Founders Course, the resort's original layout, is a traditional Northeast layout in the mold of the greatest early American courses. Holes are laid on narrow corridors carved through woodlands, and though the community that has grown up around the course is visible through the trees, no homes encroach on the course. Iron Forge, on the other hand, is wide open with holes protected by high fescue grass, much like a British Isles links course. So two groups starting on opposite first tees could compare notes at lunch and wonder if they were on the same piece of property.

And there's another reason Penn National is perfect for the buddy golf trip – you can play 36 every day and make both tee times in advance so there's never the question of "availability." The golf club also offers complimentary overnight club storage and cleaning, lessons, club fittings, clinics and box lunches if time is tight.



ATTRACTIVE OPPOSITES: LINKSY IRON FORGE (ABOVE) AND TRADITIONAL FOUNDERS

