



## **SUNSHINE GOLF IN FEBRUARY – REGISTRATIONS OPEN FOR FOURTH MESSINIA PRO-AM**

The fourth annual Messinia Pro-Am golf tournament promises sunshine, stars and five-star luxury when it's held at Costa Navarino's championship golf courses, from February 19-22, 2020.

There's no better way to start the golf season than with a place in the [Messinia Pro-Am](#), a four-day PGAs of Europe-sanctioned event, in association with the PGA of Greece and the Hellenic Golf Federation, which takes place on the Dunes and Bay courses at the prime sustainable golf destination in Greece's Peloponnese.

Not only do golfers enjoy world-class facilities and a breathtaking seaside landscape, but also, in the professionals' case, they can play for a €50,000 prize pot. And amateurs from across the globe will be heading to Costa Navarino to join professionals and celebrities on the tee and in the sun, with five-night competitor packages starting from €1,567 per person.

The 2019 event attracted the likes of Hollywood star Bill Murray and sporting 'royalty' in the shape of England's Rugby World Cup-winner Mike Tindall.

Murray – famed for his starring roles in Hollywood blockbusters *Groundhog Day* and *Ghostbusters*, was particularly impressed by his visit. He said: "This is the best place I've ever been. The golf courses are great; I've never been treated nicer anywhere. This is a different level; it is not like anything I've ever seen."

Competitor packages, based on two sharing a room, include five or seven nights' accommodation at the Westin Resort Costa Navarino; participation in social events and dinners – welcome reception, charity social event, and prizegiving ceremony; tournament entry fee, covering three tournament rounds and two practice rounds, with shared buggy; transfers to and from the [Dunes-Bay](#) Course; on-course refreshments and light lunch for three tournament rounds; and use of the Westin Resort's fitness facilities.

Participants will be able to enjoy ideal weather conditions, the unspoilt Mediterranean landscape and play golf surrounded by centuries-old olive groves and rolling hills overlooking the Ionian Sea. The recent opening of the earth-sheltered clubhouse at the Bay Course, affording stunning vistas across the historic Bay of Navarino, further enhances Costa Navarino's position among the most breathtaking golf destinations in Europe.

Messinia ProAm partners include AEGEAN Airlines, a member of Star Alliance, which is the official airline of the tournament; Erasmus, the official travel partner, which is coordinating and ensuring a smooth registration and accommodation process; and Vodafone Greece, a member of Vodafone Group, one of the largest telecommunications companies in the world.

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# COSTA NAVARINO

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One of the world's most sustainable destinations, Costa Navarino is renowned for its pristine coastal location, breathtaking landscape, cultural heritage, luxury hospitality and real estate. A commitment to the highest standards of environmental and social responsibility exist throughout its operation, as well as a desire to promote the entire region of Messinia, while protecting and preserving both its natural beauty and heritage.

■ The four-day [Messinia Pro-Am](#) takes place at Costa Navarino from February 19-22, 2020. Follow the event on social media with the hashtag #MessiniaProAm, and check out package prices [here](#).

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### ABOUT COSTA NAVARINO

Costa Navarino is the prime, sustainable destination in the Mediterranean, located in the Greek region of Messinia in the southwest Peloponnese. One of the most unspoiled and breathtaking seaside Mediterranean landscapes, this area has been shaped by 4,500 years of history.

Its philosophy is driven by a genuine desire to promote Messinia, while protecting and preserving its natural beauty and heritage. It will comprise a number of distinct sites featuring five-star deluxe hotels, luxury private residences, conference facilities, spa and thalassotherapy centres, signature golf courses, as well as a wide range of unique year-round activities for adults and children.

Navarino Dunes, the first area, is home to two luxury five-star hotels, The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort, and The Westin Resort Costa Navarino; Navarino Residences, a collection of luxury villas for private ownership; and The Residences at The Westin Resort Costa Navarino – fully furnished resort apartments for sale; the signature golf course The Dunes Course; Anazoe Spa, a 4,000m<sup>2</sup> spa and thalassotherapy centre; the state-of-the-art conference centre House of Events; specially designed facilities for children; and a variety of gastronomy venues, sports, outdoor and cultural activities. Navarino Bay, the second area, is home to the signature golf course, The Bay Course.

Navarino Hills, with two 18-hole golf courses, is currently under construction, and there are two further sites underway.

High-resolution images of Costa Navarino may be downloaded from [http://bit.ly/AZ\\_CN](http://bit.ly/AZ_CN).

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