



## COSTA NAVARINO ENHANCES ITS SPORTS OFFERING WITH MORE EXPERIENCES THAN EVER

The International Olympic Academy Golf Course welcomed the Olympic flame – *the first golf course in the Mediterranean to host the Olympic symbol*

A new sports camp launches this summer, and the NBA Basketball School returns for its second year

Messinia, 18 April 2024: [Costa Navarino](#), the sustainably driven destination in Greece's southwest Peloponnese, celebrates the Olympic Games 2024 with landmark events and enhances its sports offering, with a [new summer camp](#) and the return of the [NBA Basketball School](#).

On April 17<sup>th</sup>, Costa Navarino proudly welcomed the **Olympic Flame** at the world's first [International Olympic Academy Golf Course](#), as part of the Flame's journey from Greece to Paris. It is the **first golf course in the Mediterranean to ever host the Olympic symbol**. The 18-hole signature golf course symbolizes the links between golf and Olympism, as it is the nearest golf development to Ancient Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games. The naming of course also reflects the International Olympic Academy, Hellenic Olympic Committee and Costa Navarino's shared values of sustainability, personal welfare, education, and growth. Two young athletes from the Navarino Junior Golf Academy acted as torchbearers.

To celebrate the spirit of the Olympics, Costa Navarino will introduce a new [5-day sports camp for children and teenagers aged 6 to 15, from 15 July to 16 August](#). The camp will give them the chance to try their hand at 10 different sports which feature in the Olympic Games. The aspiring athletes will receive expert coaching in golf, tennis, basketball, football, archery, climbing, beach volleyball, gymnastics, swimming, and water polo. The basketball and football sessions will be led by coaches from the NBA Basketball School and Bayern FC respectively, while qualified coaches will oversee the other sports.

Sports enthusiasts can further develop their skills at the [NBA Basketball School](#) which returns at [Costa Navarino](#) for its second year of operation, with an engaging program for players of all ages. The NBA Basketball School will run from May 27 to September 15. Young players from 6 to 18 years old will live the NBA experience in 3-day to 7-day camp programs, while adults can participate in daily one-hour activities. All participants will receive an NBA branded T-shirt upon registration, and participants who attend the full program (6 or 7 days) will receive an NBA Basketball School certificate and NBA gift. For the period June 30 to August 17, participants will have the exclusive opportunity to train with the NBA veteran and first-round draft pick, Michael Bradley, who will join as full-time Camp Director.



Whilst children are training, adults can also participate in a range of sports including tennis, padel and pickleball at the Mouratoglou Tennis Center, wakeboard, SUP yoga, kitesurfing, sailing and diving in clear blue water, as well as enjoy the Messinian lush nature through hiking, cycling, climbing.

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For more information on Costa Navarino Golf, visit [here](#).

For more information on the summer sports camps, visit [here](#).

For more information on the NBA Basketball School, visit [here](#).

#### **About Costa Navarino**

Costa Navarino is a sustainably driven destination in the Mediterranean, located in Messinia in the southwest Peloponnese of Greece. Graced with a breath-taking seaside landscape, this is a region shaped by 4,500 years of history. The Costa Navarino philosophy is driven by a genuine desire to preserve the natural beauty and heritage of Messinia. The destination comprises several distinct sites featuring five-star hotels, luxury private residences, a world-class golf experience, and many year-round activities. Navarino Dunes is home to The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort, The Westin Resort Costa Navarino and Costa Navarino Residences. Navarino Bay is the setting for Mandarin Oriental, Costa Navarino, W Costa Navarino and Navarino Agora, a curated marketplace. Both sites have signature golf courses, while at Navarino Hills there are two further signature golf courses.

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