



## 200 golfers tee off at the AEGEAN Messinia Pro-Am at Costa Navarino

*The destination wins 'World's Best Golf Venue' at the World Golf Awards 2024*

**Messinia, November 26, 2024** – [Costa Navarino](#) has closed another golf season on a high note as 50 teams from 21 countries gathered in Greece's scenic southwest Peloponnese to contest the season-ending [AEGEAN Messinia Pro-Am 2024](#).

Pristine fairways, centuries-old olive trees and idyllic seaside backdrops of Messinia provided the setting for the international event – the highlight of the annual golf calendar at the destination, which won five honours at this month's World Golf Awards 2024 including the leading accolades of 'World's Best Golf Venue' and "World's Best Clubhouse", the latter for The Bay Clubhouse.

200 professionals and amateurs had the opportunity to compete on three of the destination's four 18-hole signature golf courses – [The Dunes Course](#), [The Hills Course](#) and the [International Olympic Academy Golf Course](#) – from November 20-24, whilst enjoying a varying challenge on each.

Sanctioned by the [Confederation of Professional Golf](#), with the support of the Hellenic Golf Federation and the PGA of Greece, the 54-hole pro-am saw golfers from across the world converge for five days of fun and entertainment. They had the chance to combine world-class golf with a wealth of unique experiences at [The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort](#).

Competition on the fairways was as strong as ever, with Spanish professional Manuel Morugan emerging victorious in the professional event with a winning score of level par, one stroke clear of Italian Legends Tour star Emanuele Canonica.

Morugan said: "I feel amazing as I didn't come here expecting to win. I have never been to a place like this and Costa Navarino and all the courses are unbelievable. It's the best Pro-Am I have ever played in by far. The organisation was excellent, all the people here are so friendly, and I hope that I can come back another time and enjoy it just as much."

The action in the Team Pro-Am Event was equally as fierce with Team Nikopoulos from Greece taking top honours with a total of 262 Stableford points, ten ahead of their nearest rivals.

Away from the courses, the popular tournament offered players, friends and their families the opportunity to relax and unwind through a rich and engaging programme of social events. Among the activities was a themed rock 'n' roll evening on Friday night, before the pro-am concluded on Saturday evening, with a dinner and prize-giving ceremony. The evening was co-hosted by Ian Randell, CEO and Aston Ward, COO of the Confederation of Professional Golf.

AEGEAN, the title sponsor, offered special airline ticket fares for the tournament's participants, complimentary transportation for golf bags and complimentary air tickets to participating professionals. Alpha Private Bank and Athens International Airport were the event's gold sponsors. The tournament was also supported by AerCap, Pratt & Whitney and International Aero Engines, Airbus S.A.S, Vodafone Business, Korres, Cellier, Coca Cola Hellenic Bottling Company Greece, Cenergy Holdings & TEKA Systems, Autohellas Hertz, Orilina, TaylorMade, Kokotos Estate, La Cucina, UJP Law, and Vourakis Jewelry, who crafted the trophies. Finally, TESLA sponsored the 'Hole-in-one' trophy.

Please find [here](#) relevant photo material.

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AEGEAN was awarded, for the 13th consecutive year and 14th time overall in its 25 years of operation, as the best regional airline in Europe by the Skytrax World Airline Awards. AEGEAN is the leading Greek airline, member of STAR ALLIANCE, and one of the most eminent companies in Greece. With a strong international presence, AEGEAN was established in 1999 and within nearly 25 years managed to win its position in the aviation sector as one of the most successful and fast-growing regional airlines. AEGEAN has been listed on the ATHENS Stock Exchange since 2007 and recent turnover exceeded 1.7 billion.

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#### **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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