

# Kapa'a

GOLF RESORT AND SPA



Welcome to the beautiful Hawaiian Resort of Kapa'a. The 7400 yard Par 72 course meanders through lush greenery, waterfalls and lava fields, with some spectacular views along the coast. Tucked on the bluff overlooking the course is the Spa Resort catering to those after a long day on the course or for those body and souls that need replenishment from that everyday life.

My wife and I celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary on Waikoloa Beach on the Big Island of Hawaii and Wailea Maui five years ago. From the two beautiful weeks of snorkeling, swimming, hiking, lounging and cocktails, I knew that I needed to play a tropical course for Links since I'm not very good at the real thing, but that's another story all together. I had already created courses in a parkland style, a forested style, a desert style, and a U.S Open style (or whatever you want to call Kansas National) so naturally I had to include a tropical resort style course to finish out my designing phase for Links. It's not a Mike Jones masterpiece, as everyone needs a benchmark for comparison, but I think it holds its' own fairly well and is very fun to play over and over again. Adding wind during your round will certainly add some teeth to a fairly easy course to play.

There are a few people I'd like to thank before I close the book on this chapter. First, and foremost, I'd like to thank Kevin Tobin. From the first time he contacted me back when I started The Pinnacle, or was it San Simeon?, Kevin has always shown interest and given encouragement during those times when the APCD didn't want to cooperate. Even though he doesn't know the APCD very well he has always contributed in some way from hole layouts to course guides. Those are just a few of the many reasons why you'll see his name associated with my courses. Always the bud Kev!

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Well, it's been fun designing for you throughout the years, and I can't say whether I'll pick up that design bug again some day, but for now I'd like to just improve my game a bit. Thanks for all your support.

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