

If you want a house built around golf

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Golfers falling in love with these homes is par for the course. Mainly because the houses aren't far from the course.

Some are situated alongside a fairway. Others have their own putting greens. The homes are close enough to greens and tee boxes where it's convenient to work on a short game and swing yet far enough where a sliced golf ball is unlikely to shatter a window. Still, if someone shouts "Fore!," do not look up.

With the Masters Tournament in mind, which is set to tee off on Thursday, here are five homes for sale on Long Island that would allow you to be master of the house and the course.

Laurel Hollow

1629 Stewart Lane
\$2.295 million

The owner of this six-bedroom Colonial has hosted backyard chipping and putting contests. In addition to two greens, which are flanked by four sand traps, the yard also features two tee boxes. One is about 55 yards from the green and the other about 80 yards, requiring shots over the in-ground pool, which the homeowner jokes is a water hazard. The 1990 house, with four full bathrooms, features a two-story entry with a bridal staircase. Hardwood floors run through the formal living room and dining room. Off the living room is a 16-by-20-foot sitting room with a fireplace. That leads into a den, which has a fireplace and windows overlooking the pool. The granite eat-in kitchen, with stainless steel appliances, has French doors that open to a paver patio with an outdoor granite kitchen. The master bedroom features a bathroom, a fireplace and two walk-in closets. Two of the four additional



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ON THE COVER The green at this six-bedroom Colonial; the house also has a three-car garage.

bedrooms on the second floor also boast walk-in closets. The two-acre property, with taxes of \$24,064, also includes a full basement and an attached three-car garage with a 30-by-16-foot media room above. The homeowner, an avid golfer, limits wedge play in the backyard because "some people I know would be hitting the house all day long. You have to be a decent golfer to go hit an 80-yard shot in my backyard. Unless you're willing to pay for the window."

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Riverhead

63 Tyler Dr.
\$557,000

The great room in this Postmodern ranch features panoramic windows that look out to a fairway at The Vineyards Golf Club. Sliding glass doors off the great room, which has 15-foot ceilings, open to a covered porch and a paver patio in the back of the house that overlook the bunker-lined links course. Sliders off the kitchen and master bedroom also open to the patio. The home's listing agent, Peter Schwartz of Douglas Elliman Real Estate, called the course "challenging and beautiful." The 2006 home, in the Estates at Olde



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Vine development, offers three bedrooms and two bathrooms. The open floor plan also includes a living room, formal dining room and kitchen with stainless steel appliances, marble countertops and white cabinetry. The master bedroom, on the first level along with two additional bedrooms, boasts a walk-in closet and a

marble and limestone bathroom with a Jacuzzi tub. A staircase near the entry foyer leads to a semifinished walk-up attic. The home also features an unfinished basement and an attached two-car garage. The taxes are \$10,800.

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Mount Sinai

73 Hamlet Dr.

This four-bedroom, 2½-bathroom Postmodern, in The Hamlet gated development, is situated along a pond and the eighth hole of the semiprivate Willow Creek Golf and Country Club. Golf views are available from the kitchen and den, an open-concept area that has a stone fireplace stretching from the floor to the 16-foot ceiling and a wall of glass with panoramic windows that look out to the golf course. Sliding glass doors off the den open to a paver patio with views of the green. The master bedroom, which includes a private bathroom and two walk-in closets, also has sliders opening to the patio. Beyond the foyer is a formal living and dining room.

\$849,000



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The second floor includes a loft area, two bedrooms and a full bathroom. The community features a fitness center, tennis courts, restaurant and separate pools for adults and kids. The taxes are \$10,775.

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Hempstead

78 Sunset Dr.

This four-bedroom Tudor is just a chip shot away from the Hempstead Golf and Country Club. Situated directly across the street from the course, the house includes a screen-in porch by the main entry where owners "sit and have cocktails and look out at the golf course," says listing agent Kevin Gray of Century 21 Kin Realty. The living room and three bedrooms along the front of the house also offer golf views, he adds. The brick and stucco home, built in 1922, features three full bathrooms, one of which is on the first floor. Also on the main level is a living room with a fireplace, a kitchen with a windowed breakfast area, a formal dining room and a parlor that Gray says could be used as a bedroom. The master bedroom,

\$499,900



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with an en suite bathroom, includes his-and-hers closets. It's on the second floor along with three additional bedrooms and a full bathroom. The 60-by-130-foot property also has a partially finished basement, an attic and a detached two-car garage. The taxes are \$13,674.

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Farmingdale

26 Puritan Lane

\$669,000

This four-bedroom Colonial is situated just a few hundred feet from the famed course where Tiger Woods and many other top golfers have played. The home is down the road from Bethpage State Park, which includes five golf courses, including Bethpage Black, site of the 2002 and 2009 U.S. Open. "The U.S. Open really put Bethpage Golf Course on the map, so it's a plus for a golfer," says the home's listing agent, Susan McCoy of Charles Rutenberg Realty. "Plus there are nice walking trails and horse riding. So even for someone who doesn't golf, it's nice to be near Bethpage State Park." The house, built in 1975, has 2½ bathrooms. Adjacent to the foyer is a formal living room and formal dining room, both with hardwood floors. An updated eat-in kitchen opens to a family room that boasts a fireplace, with both rooms featuring radiant heated flooring. Sliding glass doors off the family room open to a back deck. The master bedroom,



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with a private bathroom and walk-in closet, is on the second floor along with three additional bedrooms. The 0.34-acre property also includes a semifinished

walkout basement and an attached two-car garage. The taxes are \$15,441.

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