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DEERHURST HIGHLANDS DEERHURST, MUSKOKA, ONTARIO

In the late 1980's, golf architect Robert Cupp ventured north from Atlanta, where he had called Augusta National home for so many years, and teamed with leading Canadian course designer Thomas McBroom to create a new kind of Canadian golf course, the Deerhurst Highlands. Since nature had already done a fairly magnificent job in Muskoka, they wisely let the course follow nature's lead throughout dramatic terrain dotted with granite and teeming with dense woods.

Today, the flagship Deerhurst Highlands has spawned a veritable golf boom in Muskoka, with high-end courses, many of which are private, popping up throughout Muskoka. Yet Deerhurst Highlands remains the standard. Its classic well-balanced design offers one of the purest golf challenges you'll find anywhere. Bold granite outcroppings and dramatic terrain shifts are optimized at the signature hole, #10, where elevated tee areas are perched above a 30' natural rock wall bordering a fairway that seems like a mirage far below. Dense, mature forests characterize most of the course while holes 4, 5 and 6 break out into an open links-style swirl that can leave you feeling like you've just ridden a slow moving roller coaster. Each nine consists of five par 4's, two par 3's and two par 5's in a traditionally well-balanced design, totalling over 7000 yards from the back tees and a slope of 143.

For those in the know, October is a particularly wonderful time to be at Deerhurst. The trees begin their metamorphosis into a fiery backdrop, with cool crisp mornings and a half-sweater by lunchtime. The clean air provides views of autumn trees that can be seen nowhere else in North America. The tranquillity is broken by the sound of loons on shrouded lakes and the momentary curse from the golfer, before the surroundings remind him of how lucky he is.

Golf Digest ranks it 12th best in Canada and says "To visit Toronto and not play Deerhurst is like visiting San Francisco and not driving down to the Monterey Peninsula." Deerhurst is, in our opinion, the classic Muskoka course and the place we would most like to stay and play.

The clubhouse is located in a rustic log house setting shared with "Steamers" restaurant. Here, a fully stocked golf shop welcomes golfers and a lounge offers everything from quick sandwiches to fine dining with an excellent wine list.



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