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# Old World Charm

The Cloister Hotel at Sea Island, Georgia, is reimagined with enticing enhancements and a new Golf Performance Center.

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Sea Island has been a vacation tradition for generations of families, ever since the opening of The Cloister hotel in 1928. One of the most popular destinations in the Exclusive Resorts portfolio, the small island off the southern coast of Georgia harkens back to simpler times. The Club's 15 four-bedroom cottages at The Cloister are ideally situated between the beach and the resort. Members love the property for its three championship golf courses, Forbes Five-Star spa and restaurant, and exceptional kids' club, Camp Cloister. A recently announced \$25 million enhancement project will make Sea Island more appealing than ever. Six new guest cottages, slated to open by November of this year, are being built on the western side of the Lodge at Sea Island, in addition to an oceanfront pool and pool house, with double fireplaces, a wrap-around porch, and dining options.

Already rated a top golf resort in the U.S., Sea Island plans to raise the bar even higher with the addition of a new 17,000 square-foot Golf Performance Center. This state-of-the-art facility will replace the resort's existing center, already recognized as one of the best in the country. Expect six instruction and club fitting bays, a putting studio equipped with industry-leading technology for teaching and club fitting, a full-service golf club

workshop, a gym with locker rooms, and a retail area. A new putting course with an expansive, rolling green will also be created on the ocean side of the lodge, adding fresh dimension to the experience.

Golf lovers can anticipate even more updates in 2019. In December 2018, Love Golf Design, a golf course architecture firm founded by Sea Island's own Davis Love III and his brother, Mark, will begin a full renovation of the resort's Plantation Course. "Mark and I have been redesigning Plantation in our minds for over 20 years as we have played it," says Davis Love. The Loves intend to draw on the history of the course and architecture,



## Tee Time

Looking to perfect your swing? Visit the new Golf Performance Center at Sea Island, Georgia.

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From Top: A Member favorite, the Clister Hotel opened in 1928; the coveted Plantation Course will be redesigned as part of an ambitious renovation project.



using classical features and historical hard-scape and landscape elements. They will create new and interesting strategic elements while retaining the course's character and routing, passed on by previous architects, beginning with Walter Travis' original 1928 design of the golf club's first nine holes. The redesign of the Plantation Course will begin after the 2018 RSM Classic, an official PGA Tour event held annually at Sea Island Golf Club, and is expected to reopen in October 2019, ahead of the 2019 RSM Classic. During renovation, the driving range closest to the ocean will also be expanded to allow for a longer range.