

MODERN HUNT CLUBS **GolfHOMES**

THE MISADVENTURES OF TRIPP Isenhour remind us we mustn't take golf clubs out to the links and expect to go a-hunting. And yet in late-nineteenth-century America, golf and shooting were closely entwined. Some golf clubs, including Meadow Brook Club and Rockaway Hunting Club on Long Island and Myopia Hunt Club outside Boston, were actually started solely for huntsmen. Nowadays a combination golf-hunt club in the suburbs is nearly impossible—it takes the seclusion and remoteness of a gated community to pair the two pursuits. Once residents are locked and loaded in such a place, instructors and guides can teach fundamentals and lead the happy hunting parties on field expeditions. —David Gould

Greenbrier Sporting Club

White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

During his long association with the Greenbrier resort, Sam Snead extended the image of the hunter-golfer as a denizen of this region. Homebuyers who flock to the Greenbrier Sporting Club can take advantage of its wing-shooting preserve program, which includes a dove hunt every September. Golf remains the community's most popular activity, thanks to the graceful contours of the Tom Fazio-designed Snead golf course. A new "green homes" initiative of eco-friendly dwellings joins approved Southern-plantation and stone-and-timber architecture styles. Visit greenbriersportingclub.com.



BEDROOMS: 4
BATHS: 4.5
SQUARE FEET: 4,000
PRICE: \$2.6 million



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PRICE: \$3.4 million

Ford Plantation

Richmond Hill, Georgia

If Ford Plantation's annual Hook and Slice golf tournament ends in a tie, the winner is decided by a fish-off: That's how enmeshed golf is with the field sports here. A nearby preserve called Fins & Feathers Plantation is where members repair with their trained bird dogs to fire away at quail, dove and pheasant. Founded some ten years ago, the eighteen-hundred-acre Ford Plantation is a lyrical, low-density retreat once owned by auto icon Henry Ford. Pete Dye was enlisted to carve out eighteen holes of peril and intrigue on a portion of the acreage. Home design tends toward gables, dormers and stacked porches with white balustrades. Visit fordplantation.com.

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Cornerstone

Montrose, Colorado

At the emerging Cornerstone, residents can arrive as mild-mannered golfers and develop into trophy-stalking sportsmen, combing the Uncompahgre National Forest for elk and deer. The community is six thousand acres in breadth, with a big-shouldered Greg Norman course open for play and a large practice complex in the plans. The tone of the place walks a tightrope between rugged outdoorsmanship and pampering personal service. And like other ski-country properties, this one has a slopeside member lounge, at Telluride. Residences have a Western-lodge look. Visit cornerstonecolorado.com.

BEDROOMS: 4
BATHS: 4.5
SQUARE FEET: 4,587
PRICE: \$2.7 million

