

Corales Puntacana Championship (PGA Tour)

Corales Golf Course • Punta Cana, Dominican Republic • March 24-27, 2022

Golf Course Superintendent

Julio Diaz, GCSAA

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Years as GCSAA Member: 27

Years at Corales: 17

Years as a Superintendent: 22

Previous Courses: Marriott at Wind Watch, North Shore

Hometown: Dominican Republic

Education: Rutgers University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is the 5th Corales Championship Diaz has hosted after hosting two Korn Ferry events in 2016 and 2017.

Other Key Golf Personnel

Wikin Castillo, Assistant Superintendent

Amauri Castillo, Equipment Manager

Number of Employees: 56

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 20

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Course Architect

Architect (year): Tom Fazio (2010)

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<https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets>

Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36—72

Yardage: 7,670

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 50

Acres of Rough: 107

Number of Sand Bunkers: 94

Number of Water Hazards: 5

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 6

Soil Conditions: Caliche / Calcareous sand

Water Sources: Reclaimed and deep well

Drainage Conditions: Excellent

Turfgrass

Greens: Supreme paspalum .100"

Tees: Supreme paspalum .225"

Fairways: Supreme paspalum .450"

Rough: Supreme paspalum 1.75-2"

Additional Notes

- This tournament marks the first of the PGA Tour season that the courses' greens are paspalum turfgrass.

- Six holes run along the oceanside.

- The final three holes are nicknamed the Devil's Elbow.

- The 2020 event was played in late September after being postponed due to Covid.

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