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Chiangmai Highlands Golf & Spa Resort, Chiang Mai

The Asian Golf Insider

{contactfield=firstname|Hi}, welcome to the November Asian Golf Insider

The rainy season is now behind us and high season has arrived in Southeast Asia. This is the best time of year for a golf holiday here: the courses are in immaculate condition, the weather is fantastic, and we cannot wait to welcome everyone who has already booked with us for the coming weeks and months.

Still looking for a golf holiday? We would love to **prepare your itinerary**, whether you are dreaming of Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, the Philippines or Laos. We still have some really good special offers available, so contact us soon to take advantage of them.

This month we head north to **Chiang Mai**: cool mountain mornings, the 27 holes of Chiangmai Highlands, a riverside stay at RatiLanna and a local's guide to the city during Yi Peng, its festival of lights.

> **One quick question:** where are you hoping to play golf this high season? Just hit reply and tell me – I would love to hear from you.

Mark Siegel
Managing Director, Golfasian

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DESTINATION OF THE MONTH

Chiang Mai: mountain golf in Thailand’s coolest season

From November to February, Chiang Mai is at its best. Mornings are cool and fresh, the skies are clear and the mountains frame almost every fairway – golf here feels very different from the coast.

Most of the region’s best courses are 20 to 60 minutes from the city, from **Chiangmai Highlands** and **Alpine Golf Resort** to The Royal Chiang Mai and North Hill, so it is easy to play somewhere new every day.

Off the course, Chiang Mai has more than 300 temples, lively night markets, superb Northern Thai food and the slow-moving Ping River. This month the city celebrates Yi Peng and Loy Krathong, when thousands of lanterns rise into the night sky and candlelit krathong float down the river.

It is also one of Asia’s best destinations for golfers travelling with a non-golfing partner: spas, cooking classes, temples and day trips to Doi Suthep keep everyone happy.

PLAN MY CHIANG MAI GOLF TRIP

COURSE OF THE MONTH

Chiangmai Highlands Golf & Spa Resort

Set in the foothills east of Chiang Mai, **Chiangmai Highlands** is one of Thailand’s most awarded golf resorts. It has been named Best Golf Resort in Asia and has just celebrated 20 years since opening in December 2005.

Lee Schmidt of Schmidt-Curley designed 27 holes across three nines – Valley, Highlands and Mountain – so every combination plays differently. The 18th is a short, downhill par 5 with a river crossing the fairway. Lay up, or go for it?

Paspalum fairways, TifEagle greens and more than 130 bunkers reward a well-planned approach. The resort stands on the former hermitage of the revered monk Khruba Siwichai, and its calm is something golfers remember long after the round. The caddies receive some of the warmest reviews from our clients.

EXPLORE CHIANGMAI HIGHLANDS & ASK FOR A TEE TIME

ACCOMMODATION OF THE MONTH

RatiLanna Riverside Spa Resort

Timeless Lanna elegance on the Ping River. RatiLanna sits on a quiet bend of the river, yet the Night Bazaar is five minutes away and the Old City less than ten. Built by Chiang Mai people, from the owner to the architect, it tells the story of the historic Wat Ket riverside community through teak, Lanna artistry and local craftsmanship.

Each morning a monk arrives at the resort's pier by rowboat for the traditional alms-giving, and guests are welcome to take part. Explore the river by Lanna-style boat, enjoy sunset drinks on the Dip & Sip boat or learn Northern Thai cooking with the resort's chef. At Mira Restaurant, do not miss the signature Lamb Hung Lay with ginkgo and crispy roti.

After a round in the mountains, the RatiLanna Spa and the infinity pool are the perfect way to unwind, and non-golfing partners will find plenty to fill a relaxed day.

ADD RATILANNA TO MY CHIANG MAI TRIP

INTERVIEW

Meet La-iad Bungsrithong

Khun La-iad Bungsrithong, General Manager of RatiLanna Riverside Spa Resort , is a Chiang Mai native whose whole career has been in her hometown.

"Chiang Mai is not only where I work," she says. "It is home."

In our conversation she shares her perfect slow day by the river, the Lanna curry every visitor should try, a hidden riverside walk most tourists miss, and what non-golfing partners can enjoy while their golfer is on the course.

Her advice for Yi Peng? Slow down and take in both the beauty and the meaning of the festival. Her advice for Chiang Mai? Start with the Lamb Hung Lay.

READ KHUN LA-IAD'S FULL INTERVIEW

BEYOND THE FAIRWAYS

Three Chiang Mai experiences worth making time for

1. Walk the old river port of Wat Ket. This is Khun La-iad's favourite hidden gem. Visit the small community museum at Wat Ket Karam, cross the Chansom Memorial Bridge and finish at Warorot Market for Northern Thai street food.

2. Join a khantoke dinner. Sit around low rattan tables, share a spread of Northern Thai dishes and watch traditional Lanna dancers perform. It is a classic Chiang Mai evening.

3. Soak in the San Kamphaeng hot springs. In the same Mae On hills as Chiangmai Highlands, the natural mineral pools are an easy stop after your round and a great way to rest tired legs.

ADD THESE TO MY GOLF HOLIDAY

GOLF PACKAGE OF THE MONTH

One Week Chiang Mai Golf Package

7 days / 6 nights · from THB 24,700 · fully customisable

Four of the north's best courses at a relaxed pace, with a free day midweek to explore the city. Play North Hill, The Royal Chiang Mai, Alpine Golf Resort and Chiangmai Highlands.

Includes six nights' accommodation, daily breakfast, green fees, a caddie per golfer, airport and golf transfers, local support and Golfasian's 24/7 golf hotline. We tailor it around your preferred hotel (including a riverside stay at RatiLanna), your dates and your pace.

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Tap a destination – it helps us send you more of the ideas and offers you're interested in.

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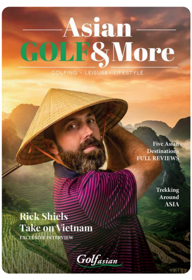
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MAGAZINE

Asian GOLF & More – Edition 5 is here

Over the past six months we have travelled across Asia, visiting exceptional golf courses, discovering new resorts and destinations, and finding plenty to enjoy away from the fairways.

If you have not read it yet, all 108 pages are waiting for you online.

This edition takes you from Northern Vietnam and West Java to Phuket and Phu Quoc, with destination features, course reviews and resort recommendations – plus interviews with Sir Nick Faldo, one of the LPGA's best-known players, and golf's No. 1 YouTuber, Rick Shiels, on Vietnam.

We would love to hear what you think – just reply to this email. And if you have friends who enjoy golf and travelling around Asia, please feel free to forward the magazine to them.

READ ASIAN GOLF & MORE – EDITION 5

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AUGUSTA VIBES?!

NEW VIDEO

Rick Shiels on the course that gave him "Augusta vibes"

Rick Shiels has played Augusta National, so why did a golf course in Vietnam remind him of it? In this exclusive Asian GOLF & More interview, Rick tells editor Mike Bridge what stood out on his first golf trip to Vietnam.

He talks about Ba Na Hills, the Greg Norman-designed Bluffs Grand Ho Tram, the caddies who made a lasting impression, the food, and a flooded course that was playable again in about an hour. He also reveals why Thailand is next on his list.

WATCH THE INTERVIEW ON YOUTUBE

CUSTOMER TESTIMONIALS

What our golfers say

> *"Our trip to Thailand was smoothly curated by Golfasian and they gave us a great memorable experience. Organized our hotel stays, golf rounds, transportation and great customer service throughout our entire trip. … The courses chosen by the team were exceptional and wouldn't have changed a thing!"*
> **– Christopher C., October 2026**

> *"A wonderful golf tour for our group of 9 lads in Danang. We were very well taken care of and organising and selection of golf clubs and accommodation was superb."*
> **– Martin A., October 2026**

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THAILAND GOLF SWING 2027
Play both legs.
Phuket 26–31 July + Pattaya 1–7 August
UP TO THB 12,000 IN BONUSES
Early-bird offer ends 30 November 2026
PHUKET
PATTAYA

FEATURED OFFER · 2027

Thailand Golf Swing: play Phuket, then Pattaya

DoubleTree by Hilton Phuket Golf Invitational · 26–31 Jul 2027
Pattaya Men's Open Golf Week · 1–7 Aug 2027

Two back-to-back weeks of tournament golf in two of Thailand's favourite destinations. Book both and receive a **complimentary night in Pattaya** on 31 July (worth THB 3,000) and a **THB 3,000 bonus credit**. Book before 30 November 2026 and the **early-bird discount of THB 3,000 per room at each event** comes on top – **up to THB 12,000 in bonuses** with the Thailand Golf Swing.

Early-bird codes: PHK3 (Phuket) and PMG27 (Pattaya). Early-bird offer ends 30 November 2026.

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EXPLORE THE PATTAYA MEN'S OPEN

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Asia Golf Event Calendar

Our tournament team is back from the Cambodia Golf Invitational in Phnom Penh and opens November with the Pullman Pattaya Invitational Series. Places are still available for some upcoming events, and our 2027 calendar is filling up.

> **NEXT UP:** Malaysia World Masters, 22–28 November 2026 in Kuala Lumpur. Contact us to check availability.

1–6 Nov 2026
Pullman Pattaya Invitational Series · Pattaya

22–28 Nov 2026
Malaysia World Masters · Kuala Lumpur

21–27 Feb 2027
Philippines Golf Invitational · Clark

14–19 Mar 2027
Amari Hua Hin Skins Golf Week · Hua Hin

6–12 Jun 2027
Centara World Masters · Hua Hin

13–19 Jun 2027
Avani Pattaya 2 Ball · Pattaya

26–31 Jul 2027
DoubleTree by Hilton Phuket Golf Invitational · Phuket SPECIAL OFFER

1–7 Aug 2027
Pattaya Men's Open Golf Week · Pattaya SPECIAL OFFER

29 Aug – 4 Sep 2027
Pattaya World Amateur Golf Championship · Pattaya NEW

5–11 Sep 2027
Vietnam World Masters · Danang

24–30 Oct 2027
Cambodia Golf Invitational · Phnom Penh

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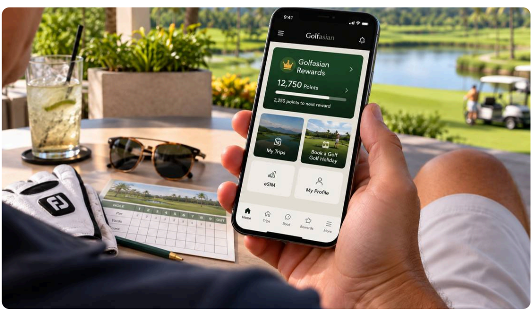

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Every round of golf you play with Golfasian now earns you rewards: **50 points per round**, and **100 points per round** at our tournaments. Every 10 points is worth US$1 towards your next stay & play package or tournament entry. Through the Golfasian Rewards program we have already awarded more than USD 100,000 to loyal customers.

✓ No sign-up needed if you have travelled with us since 1 April 2026
✓ 50 points per round, 100 points per tournament round
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MEET OUR TEAM

Axel, Sales Manager – Vietnam

Axel joined Golfasian in July 2026 as our Sales Manager for Vietnam. Based in Da Nang , he loves building new partnerships and introducing international golfers to Vietnam's fantastic courses and unique experiences.

Axel grew up in Switzerland, with a Vietnamese father and an Italian mother. He speaks French, Italian and English, and has lived in Vietnam for more than ten years, first in Saigon and now in Da Nang. Before joining us, he was Sales & Marketing Director at a destination management company, where he helped build its inbound tourism business from the ground up.

For Axel, golf is the perfect mix of sport, nature, strategy and good company, and a wonderful way to discover beautiful places and bring people together. Away from work he loves travelling, discovering new restaurants and spending time with his wife and their young son. His favourite food? The incredible variety of Vietnamese cuisine, with a soft spot for Italian.

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