



Media Information
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Anniversary in South Africa: 30th World Final of the BMW Golf Cup International to be held at the Fancourt Golf Resort.

- **The World Final of the BMW Golf Cup International is celebrating its anniversary: The highlight of the biggest international tournament series for amateur golfers will be held for the 30th time.**
- **Around 100 competitors from 33 nations have an unforgettable week at the breath-taking Fancourt Golf Resort (South Africa) in store from 2nd to 7th March 2020.**
- **Guest of honour at the World Final: Golfing legend Colin Montgomerie (Scotland).**

Munich/George. It is a word that really gets the pulses of amateur golfers around the world racing: Fancourt. Located on the fabulous Garden Route, about halfway between Cape Town and Port Elizabeth, the Fancourt Golf Resort will host the 30th BMW Golf Cup International World Final this year, from 2nd to 7th March. Around 100 competitors from 33 nations have qualified for the highlight of the 2019 season in recent months. On two extraordinary golf courses – Outeniqua and Montagu – they get to feel like a pro at a majors tournament for a whole week. Both courses were designed by Gary Player and are among the country's finest.

"The 30th anniversary of the BMW Golf Cup International World Final is a special milestone as it emphasises the significance of the amateur golfing commitment for BMW," said Jörn Plinke, Head of BMW Golfsport Marketing. "We have been offering our guests at the BMW Golf Cup International, and specifically at the World Final, a unique experience for three decades now. We are really looking forward to heading to Fancourt for the anniversary tournament, where we will have the best conditions for this kind of tournament. Breath-taking golf courses, an exclusive resort, a tournament in pro conditions and the fantastic supporting programme – this is what is in store for the world finalists. But primarily the encounters with golfing enthusiasts from 33 countries, who give the event a unique flair."



The world finalists will travel to Western Cape in South Africa with their 'plus ones' – where the Pacific and Indian Oceans meet, and golf and nature come together in perfect harmony. With its challenging, but fair courses with a majestic mountain backdrop, the resort offers a complete golfing package in a league of its own. Competitors rooms are also located at the luxurious resort, with a supporting programme designed with great attention to detail rounding off the week, which is set to be an unforgettable one for all competitors.

However, a successful week of golf includes more than just the sporting aspect. Golfers have a heart – and so the World Final week also focuses on supporting local projects. This year, BMW's attention has been drawn to "George Child and Family Welfare" (GCFW). The foundation's patroness is Fancourt owner Sabine Plattner. For almost 100 years, the charity project has been changing the day-to-day lives of many children and families in and around the city of George for the better – and as part of the World Final, every competitor will have the opportunity to learn all about the projects and to support them.

Sustainability is also of paramount importance to the World Final. The installation of mobile drinks stations and the absence of plastic drinking bottles are just some of the measures being put in place to minimise the tournament's ecological footprint. Every guest will be given a reusable bottle that can be refilled with fresh water at numerous locations on site.

A BMW Golf Cup International World Final would not be complete without having a golfing legend as a special guest to hold a Golf Clinic for the finalists and to present the trophies. And who better to take on this role than one of the major players on the golfing scene: eight-time winner of the European Tour Order of Merit, Colin Montgomerie of Scotland. "Monty" will also bring the Ryder Cup trophy with him, which he won as a player five times and as the captain in 2010.

The World Final will be divided into three categories: Men's Category A (up to HCP 12), Men's Category B (HCP 13-28) and Ladies (HCP up to 28). In addition to the titles in these singles categories, there will also be a nations ranking. This was won by Team China at the last edition in Mexico; however, they and the joint team from Hong Kong and Macau have both withdrawn from the competition as a precautionary measure due to the Corona virus.



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