



One of a Few

Desmond Muirhead was one of Jack Nicklaus's go-to architects in the early years of the Golden Bear's design career. Muirhead partnered with Nicklaus on courses including Muirfield Village and Kings Island. Solo designs by Muirhead include the Dinah Shore Tournament Course at Mission Hills (California) Country Club. The English-born Muirhead was an artist and urban designer turned golf architect. His portfolio of courses totaled less than three dozen before he passed away in 2002.

The Atlanta area can boast one of the rare Muirhead designs. His Indian Creek Golf Club in Covington opened in 1997. Among Muirhead's unique artistic elements incorporated into the 6,837-yard layout is a set of greenside bunkers designed to resemble a sunburst.

The 200-yard, par-3 15th hole requires a carry over a lake and was selected one of the state's best par 3s by the Georgia Golf Association.

Peak rates to experience the one-of-a-kind Muirhead creation at Indian Creek Golf Club remain below \$50. For those looking to improve their games on the range, \$8 buys two hours worth of unlimited range balls. Indian Creek Golf Club is located approximately 35 minutes east of downtown Atlanta. ■

Indian Creek Golf Club

\$34 twilight, \$49 peak
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Semi-private

Architect:

Desmond Muirhead

Opened: 1997

Yardage: 6,837 yards

Par: 72; Rating: 72.7

Slope: 139

– Patrick Jones