

## An Impeccable Lineage

tlanta municipal golfers know North Fulton Golf Course as a fun and affordable golf course located in Chastain Park, Atlanta's largest public park. It is easily accessible off Roswell and West Wieuca roads just south of the city's I-285 northern arc. What many golfers may not know about this popular city layout is that two of golf's biggest names had a hand in its design.

Walter Hagen and Atlanta's own Grand Slam golf champion Bobby Jones collaborated on the project by designer Chandler Egan. Jones had already completed his famed Augusta National Golf Course, home of The Masters, in 1933. North Fulton Golf Course opened for play in 1937. For history buffs, that was the same year that Atlanta writer Margaret Mitchell won the Pulitzer Prize for her novel "Gone With the Wind." Acting legends Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh had yet to be cast for the book's movie version that came out two years later.

The par-71 North Fulton Golf Course plays to 6,570 yards off the back tees and provides an entertaining challenge to golfers of all levels. It features Bermuda tees and fairways and Champions Bermuda greens. Sections of Nancy Creek come into play on a number of holes as the stream meanders through the rolling terrain. The skyline of Atlanta's hip Buckhead section of town provides a cosmopolitan vista on a number of holes. North Fulton Golf Course has hosted events including the National Public Links Tournament in its 70-plus years of play.

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## **North Fulton Golf Course**

\$36 peak for city residents: \$40 for non-residents northfulton.americangolf.com

Public course Architects: Walter Hagen, Bobby Jones, Chandler Egan Opened: 1937 6,570 yards, par 71 Rating: 71.9, Slope: 126