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The Nine Most Eagerly Awaited New Golf Courses of 2017

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The bucket list mentality is strong with golfers. Sure, the majority of golf is played locally, but that doesn't change the fact that the diehards among us can't wait to hear about the next great course or destination.

The unvarnished truth is that the golf industry continues to go through a period of natural correction, with annual course closures far outweighing openings since the boom years of development over-saturated a lot of markets. What that means, though, is that new courses tend to be something truly special, with great design, terrific location or both.

The private Summit Club will be the centerpiece of a luxury community (253 homes) in Summerlin, just 15 minutes from the Las Vegas Strip. The 18-hole layout designed by Tom Fazio is set to open in the spring, but will only be available to homeowners who pay upwards of \$2 million to live in yet another impressive Discovery Land project. Beyond the spectacular desert golf and the proximity to downtown Vegas, the club's on-course comfort stations feature treats from a margarita machine and tacos to homemade ice cream sandwiches.

