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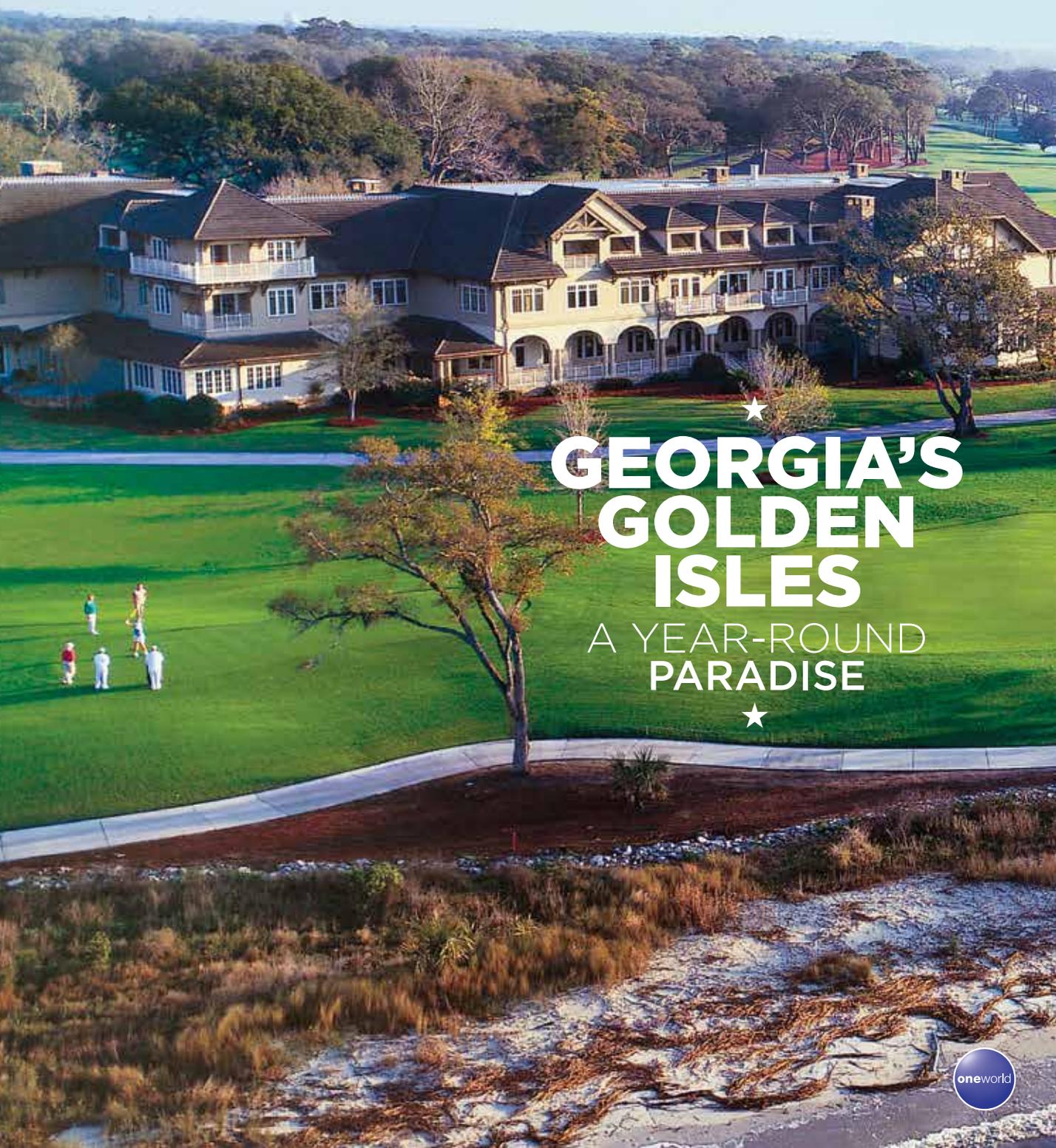
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Escape from the Mainland

Get away from it all at the
King and Prince Beach &
Golf Resort. BY CAROLINE EUBANKS



The island of St. Simons on the Georgia Coast has grown from a quiet beach town to a favorite vacation spot for travelers from all over the country.



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But the timeless luxury of one of the island's oldest properties, the King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort, has remained. Opened in 1935, the historic resort began as a private dance club before opening as a hotel in 1941.

During World War II, the hotel's oceanfront location was utilized for naval coast watching and training operations. Rooms were even used as housing for the soldiers stationed there. But in 1947, it welcomed guests once more. And today, the King and Prince is one of the most beloved resorts in the Golden Isles.

Through over 75 years of hospitality, the resort has been honored with numerous titles, from membership in the Historic Hotels of America to a listing on the National Register of

Historic Places. Most recently, it was the only Golden Isles property to join the Southern Living Hotel Collection.

The King and Prince has undergone four renovations — one just last year — but each update preserves historic features, like the iconic yellow exterior and Mediterranean style terracotta roof, while still installing modern features like complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the property and state-of-the-art amenities.

One of the first projects of the recent renovation was the lobby, which has been completely transformed. Cozy up to the fireplace with a drink, and soak in the sunset views before dinner. The on-site ECHO Restaurant offers the island's only oceanfront dining. Executive chef John Palacio has worked all over the country and carefully crafted the menu using fresh, local ingredients.

The intimate resort has a wide variety of room types for all party sizes and budgets. The rooms and suites are comfortable, with views of the ocean or the resort. For families and groups, the beach villas have two to three rooms, while the spacious resort residences contain five to six



bedrooms. Even Fido is welcome!

Enjoy the property's many amenities during your stay, like the tennis courts, pool, and award-winning golf course, which was renovated by the course superintendent of Augusta National. Want to unwind? Book a massage at the Royal Treatment Cottage, or sign up for one of the photography or cooking classes held on-site.

St. Simons Island also offers access to the island's village, where you'll find shops, restaurants, and parks, rent bicycles, climb to the top of the lighthouse, or fish from the pier.

The King and Prince Resort makes for a great getaway from the pace of mainland life. But thanks to its laid-back yet luxurious accommodations, you're sure to feel right at home.



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