

# MINTHIS

GOLF CLUB

*“ There are few places in the world of golf where you can play in such beautiful surroundings as Minthis , with the Troodos Mountains as a backdrop and the course tucked away in a beautiful valley”.*

Tom Mackenzie  
Founder, Mackenzie & Ebert



## CHAMPIONSHIP COURSE

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The course at Minthis is a beautiful and challenging 18-hole championship course that winds its way past a 12<sup>th</sup>-century monastery with breathtaking views of the Troodos Mountains and beyond. Designed by legendary golf architect Donald Steel in 1994 and renovated by renowned course designers Mackenzie & Ebert, it is a flawless example of their philosophy that golf courses should fit into the natural terrain and challenge players of all levels.

## INCREDIBLE LOCATION



Minthis draws its core identity from the imposing character with incised ravines and rugged vegetation. The course boasts outstanding holes where views and vistas are a distinctive feature, organically following the natural undulations of the topography, looping past water features and ancient groves, with hundreds of olive trees, fruit orchards and grapevines with the mountains in the distance beyond.



## A RICH HERITAGE



The resort is situated in the heart of Pafos' wine producing region, just ten minutes outside the town surrounded by quaint traditional villages, providing an authentic experience of Cyprus. The historical location which encircles a 12<sup>th</sup>-century monastery, from which the resort derived its name, provides a dramatic backdrop for an outstanding game that will mesmerise and delight players of all levels.





## DESIGN



At an altitude of 550 metres above sea level it is a course for all seasons, enjoying cool breezes during the summer and a mild winter climate. The course has been enhanced by Mackenzie & Ebert famed for their work on the British Open Championship courses, the same design company used by the R&A for many of the courses on the Open Rota. They are fervent believers that golf courses should fit into the landscape and be in-keeping with their setting, Minthis is a perfect example of this that offers a great variety between holes.

Minthis has enjoyed a successful partnership with renowned golf course architects Mackenzie & Ebert for the past fifteen years, with major upgrades being undertaken from 2017 to 2020. The course architects impressive track record, advising 17 of the Top 100 Courses in the world including Royal Dornoch and Walton Heath and 7 of the 10 Open Championship venues, as well as their design philosophy that reflects our respect for nature is what makes the course truly unique.

Recently, Tom Mackenzie and his team have been instrumental with the enhancement of the course redesign and new greens. With his help and a dedicated team of experts we have rebuilt the present clay push-up greens to conform to sand based USGA specification standards. The new greens have been seeded with 007 Creeping Bent Grass and to compliment them we have renovated the green side bunkers and reshaped the surrounds. The course now boasts an exciting new layout with a new 10th hole and total distance of over 5902m. The enhanced golf experience at Minthis promises to be one to remember!

*“Our work at Minthis has focused on making it even more beautiful by drawing the monastery into the landscape and opening views towards the Troodos Mountains”.*

Tom Mackenzie  
Mackenzie & Ebert



## THE COURSE



Few places are so tranquil for a friendly game, elevated tees invite everyone to “have a go”, yet narrow tree-lined fairways provide a challenge, with each shot requiring careful assessment.

The opening nine holes is the shorter half of the course, encircling the historic monastery, vineyards, orchards and olive trees. These holes have been cleverly designed to give players a fair start to the round, keeping in mind the sloping tree-lined Par 5 3rd hole and the long 6th hole with blind approach. At the turn, the 9th hole finishes in front of the impressive contemporary Clubhouse.

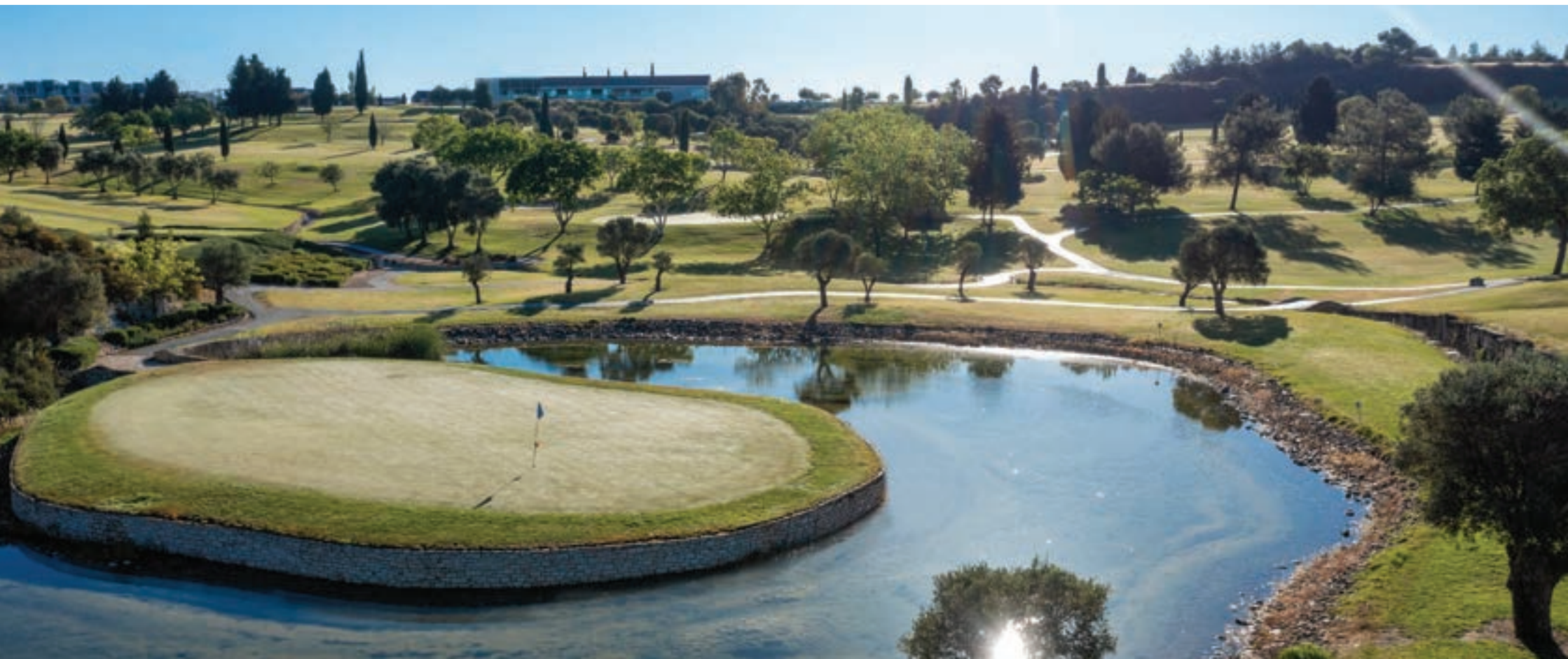
The back nine holes are all about precision and there is great variety of challenges. The newly designed 10th hole is a perfect example of the accurate insight to the challenges you will face.

It may be hard to concentrate on dramatically elevated tees because of the picture perfect views, but you will need a well struck tee shot over the valley to find the generous fairway. Once on the fairway, you are faced with a blind, severely uphill second shot. With the back of the green surrounded with out of bounds, the percentage play would be to lay up near the fairway bunker at the top of the hill, giving you a 50 - 100m approach shot to the green. It undoubtedly requires some skill and is a hole to remember with one of the best views in Cyprus. In addition the short Par 4 14th offers the best risk and reward tee shot on the course. The green can be reached with a well struck drive, although danger lurks with the steep valley cascading away. The ultimate test is the Par 3 15th hole, an impressive island green and Minthis' signature hole.

## SIGNATURE HOLE



The 15<sup>th</sup> hole has been transformed into a superb island green. Challenging and memorable it leaves little room for error and an unwary golfer will lose many a ball to the lake that surrounds it. A par three without bunkers or fairway, and just 150m from its elevated tee to green, it's an all or nothing shot requiring accuracy and skill from even the most proficient golfer. If that's not enough of a challenge throw in a cross wind and this shot will promise to be testing time and time again!





# FACTS

- 18 holes, par 72, 5902m
- Designed by Mackenzie & Ebert
- GEO Certified®
- Green Key and Green Club Eco-Labels
- Total Greens Area: average 9000m<sup>2</sup>
- Bunkers: 28 (approx. 2,240m<sup>2</sup>)
- Lakes: 2
- Island Green: 1
- Golf Academy with PGA Qualified Pro
- Driving Range with covered bays, mats and grass tee area
- 3-Hole, Par 3, Academy Course (Greens 900m<sup>2</sup>)
- 2 Putting Greens (750 m<sup>2</sup>)
- Chipping Green
- Handicap: Ladies 36, Men 36
- Golf cart, clubs, manual and electric trolley rental available
- Fully equipped Pro Shop
- Clubhouse with Restaurant, Bar and Sports Bar
- Greens: 007 Creeping Bent
- Fairways: Sahara Bermuda, over-seeded for winter with Annual & Perennial Ryegrass



## THE ACADEMY



Minthis Golf Academy is dedicated to creating outstanding golf learning experiences to improve your game while making it all the more enjoyable. Golf is one of the most pleasurable and fulfilling of sports, but is also one of the most challenging to learn and master without good help and guidance. Minthis Golf Academy believes in a complete approach to game improvement, covering all aspects of the game, including the full swing, the short game, course management, practice techniques, mental training and correctly fitted equipment.





# GEO CERTIFICATION

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Minthis is proud to be the first golf club in Cyprus awarded with a distinction recognising our eco-friendly approach and commitment to sustainability.

GEO (Golf Environment Organisation) is an independently assessed international eco-label for golf clubs. It is the most respected mark for golf sustainability and is awarded to golf facilities that have met the voluntary industry standard of good practices for golf course and facility operations, demonstrating a clear commitment to nature, resource conservation and community value.



## SUSTAINABILITY



Minthis is a unique resort destination inspired by the spirit of the protected Cypriot landscape. Our Sustainability story began when the resort concept was created.

As part of a protected Natura 2000 site, spanning 5 million square meters, nature and the environment is deeply embedded in our DNA and influences all of our strategies. Through a unified and focused strategy, we continually engage in initiatives that enrich and strengthen the environment and the long-term sustainability of the communities we touch. We always strive to make a positive impact in our homeland of Cyprus, becoming the first to achieve so many Sustainability awards, this is something which we are truly passionate and proud of.

## AWARDS

**2020 IAGTO Sustainability Award for Resource Efficiency**

**2020 Cyprus Tourism Awards**

Gold awards under the categories  
Golf Tourism, Sports and Adventure; Sustainable and Corporate Social Responsibility for Golf; Sustainable Development and Environmental Protection for the CSR activities

**2020 Cyprus Tourism Awards**

Silver award for Culinary Experience

**2021 IAGTO Outstanding Service Award**

**2021 IAGTO Award for Outstanding Contribution to Sustainability**

**2022 I World Golf Awards: Cyprus's Best Golf Course**

**2023 I Golfers' Choice Ranking: Most hospitable Golf Club of Cyprus**

## ECO-LABELS

**GEO Certified®**

**Green Key**

**Green Club**



## UNWIND AND INDULGE



A two-thousand square metre clubhouse is the social heart of the golf club, enjoying fantastic views of the golf course. The impressive architecture has been complemented by designer interiors and commissioned sculptures providing an ideal social atmosphere. The lounge, golf terrace and cocktail bar offer the perfect space for pre and post game drinks, while the restaurant transforms the finest local and international ingredients into culinary delights.

### FACILITIES

- Pro Shop
- Conference facilities
- Business centre
- Café-bar
- Restaurant
- Changing facilities
- Residential sales office
- Club and buggy storage





## CAFÉ - BAR



With an impressive selection of local and international wines, stand-out cocktails, premium teas and coffees, and attentive service, the Minthis café/bar is the perfect social venue to compare scorecards after a day on the course. Enjoy lunch in the restaurant sampling fresh, local ingredients, cool down with a cold beer on the golf terrace or reminisce about your round in the bar overlooking the course.





## DINING



The Restaurant blends visionary design with exceptional menus in a relaxed setting, with informal but impeccable service. Dishes authored by the award-winning culinary team, showcase a unique fusion of Cypriot flavours and modern Mediterranean cuisine. Our head chef selects only the freshest locally-grown, reared, fished and foraged ingredients to prepare elegant lunches overlooking sundrenched vistas and sumptuous feasts in the private dining room.

## THE PLATEIA



Conveniently located opposite the Golf Course and Clubhouse, The Plateia is a place of community and energy, where you can discover authentic Cypriot hospitality, art and tradition. Evoking traditional Cypriot life, it is surrounded by a lively Lounge, where you can grab a souvlaki fresh from the grill, enjoy homemade bread and pizza from the wood fired oven or sit under a shaded tree in the square with a coffee and gelato. There is also a bar, wine boutique and cellar, a delicatessen grocer, a children's crèche, home concept store, a gallery and boutiques selling a carefully curated, beautiful selection of everything from local handmade crafts and jewellery to artwork and Minthis home grown produce.



## WELLNESS SPA



A place to relax and unwind, offering a 360-degree holistic approach to physical wellbeing and spiritual balance. Harnessing the naturally restorative air and earth, the wellness philosophy integrates therapeutic essential oils and aromatherapy from indigenous herbs and plants found on the Minthis estate. Within the 2000 square metres there are studios centering on wet and dry therapies, yoga deck, hydrotherapy, sauna, 25m indoor heated pool, scented baths, private reflection courtyards and a gym - all in low-lying Pavilions overlooking the peaceful Troodos mountains.





## THE SUITES



A collection of one and two-bedroom Suites ideal for those that want a new hotel experience where they can stay, play and relax amongst nature. Located just steps away from our social square The Plateia, the Wellness Spa, Golf Course, Golf Academy and Clubhouse, The Suites are perfect for those who want convenience and to be at the heart of life at Minthis.

Inside they accommodate up to 4 people and the ergonomic spaces flow instinctively with high ceilings and full height windows unifying the inside and outside. They are encircled by thoughtfully landscaped grounds and positioned around a beautiful communal pool that looks out across the golf course and 12th century monastery.





The mesmerising views coupled with carefully curated interiors provide a luxurious and comfortable stay. The cleverly designed ergonomic spaces flow instinctively with high ceilings, full-height windows and many verandas unifying the inside and outside, framing the golf or mountain scenery at every opportunity.



## PRO SHOP



Located in the Clubhouse, the Minthis Pro Shop offers the latest golf fashion, apparel and equipment from leading golf and designer brands.



## LOCATION



Pafos, the mythical birthplace of Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love and beauty is situated on the south-western coast of Cyprus. It is home to a great extent of the island's rich cultural heritage including a medieval fortress, frescoed tombs and remarkable mosaics. Almost an open air museum in itself, UNESCO added the entire town to its world heritage list. In addition to its rich culture, Pafos also offers all the essentials of a cosmopolitan city, including stylish boutiques, fine restaurants, modern amenities, first-class medical facilities and great cafés. Minthis is within easy reach of local areas and transport hubs:



Pafos International Airport	20 minutes
Larnaca International Airport	90 minutes
Limassol	40 minutes
International School	10 minutes
Hospitals and private clinics	10 minutes
Shops	5 minutes

Paris	3.30 hours
Dubai	3.40 hours
Moscow	4.15 hours
London	4.30 hours



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