

SAADIYAT BEACH GOLF CLUB CREDITED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EXCELLENCE

-Saadiyat Beach Golf Club's continued commitment to protecting their surroundings has been recognised by Audubon International -

Saadiyat Beach Golf Club, UAE, XX March 2020: Saadiyat Beach Golf Club has achieved designation as a "Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary" through the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses. Corey Finn, Golf Course Superintendent, completed the effort to obtain sanctuary designation on the property. Saadiyat Beach Golf Club is one of over 900 courses in the world to hold the title of Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

To reach certification, a course must demonstrate that they are maintaining a high degree of environmental quality in a number of areas. These categories include:

- Environmental Planning
- Wildlife and Habitat Management
- Outreach and Education
- Chemical Use Reduction and Safety
- Water Conservation
- Water Quality Management

An observation made during the visit, was that the course inhabits over 150 bird species and a thriving gazelle population. It was apparent that staff were always conscious about protecting the threatened and endangered species that also inhabit the course. The course has also reduced its water consumption by over 30% over the past 3 years and with a local community partnership to allow for the use of recycle water, water consumption will be reduced even further. It was noticeable that management is dedicated to continuous improvement.

Commenting on the recent achievements, **Corey Finn, Golf Course Superintendent** said: *"This is a fantastic achievement for Saadiyat Beach Golf Club. We are committed to ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all the wildlife that inhabit the course as well as ensuring we are making a conscious effort to do our part for the community and worldwide."*

"This couldn't have been achieved without the hard work and dedication from my incredible team. This certification is not only for the club but for all of those involved, together we are making an environmentally positive impact."

Praising Saadiyat Beach Golf Club, **Christine Kane, CEO at Audubon International** adds: *"Saadiyat Beach Golf Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. They are to be commended for their efforts to provide a sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course property."*

The breathtaking Par 72 Saadiyat Beach Golf Club was the Arabian Gulf's first beachfront course. Designed by golfing legend, Gary Player, the 18 hole championship course and top of the range practice facilities harness the beauty of Saadiyat Island and create an unparalleled golfing experience with views of the Gulf's glittering ocean.

Host venue of the first Ladies European Tour event in Abu Dhabi, the Fatima Bint Mubarak Ladies Open, and voted 'Best Course in the UAE' in 2015 and 'Best Course in Abu Dhabi' in 2019, World Golf Awards, Saadiyat Beach Golf Club is recognised globally as a world class golfing destination.



The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses, endorsed by the United States Golf Association, provides information and guidance to help golf courses preserve and enhance wildlife habitat and protect natural resources. Golf courses from the United States, Africa, Australia, Canada, Central America, Europe, New Zealand, and Southeast Asia have achieved certification in the program.

To find out more about future environmental projects at Saadiyat Beach Golf Club, Abu Dhabi Golf Club and Yas Links Golf Club, please contact Jenene Batts: marketing@aldargolf.com.

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