



Kiawah Island is One of America's Top Tennis Resort

The prestigious Tennis Resorts Online (www.tennisresortsonline.com) has ranked Kiawah Island Golf Resort as the #1 tennis resort in the world for seven out of the last nine years.

The rankings are based on the overall tennis program including instruction, teaching staff, facilities, as well as other resort facilities such as lodging, cuisine, service and value.

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Under the direction of Roy Barth since 1976, the tennis program at Kiawah Island has become one of the finest tennis programs in the country. According to *Tennis Magazine*, "Barth is a master at analyzing weaknesses and then explaining the cure." The combination of Barth's teaching experience and professional background has made him an integral part of Kiawah's tennis programs. Barth played professionally for seven years during which time he was ranked in the top 50 in the world and competed against such tennis greats like Borg and Connors. In 1990, he was awarded the PTR Pro of the Year, in 1997 and PTR Master Pro in 2007, Barth was inducted into the South Carolina Tennis Hall of Fame, in 1999 he was inducted into the Southern Tennis Hall of Fame, and in 2012 he was inducted into the San Diego Tennis Hall of Fame. Barth and his highly qualified teaching staff offer extensive tennis instruction through individual lessons or group sessions. The Sanctuary guests can involve themselves in exceptional clinics and private lessons from advanced players to advanced tournament players with the direction of Roy Barth and his teaching staff. Programs are designed for children as young as 4 years of age, while junior and adult clinics are offered daily. The program also offers a variety of quality mini-camps, unique exhibitions, and special events. Some of the instructional programs offered, for both adults and youths, include regular and tournament tough stroke-a-day clinics, round robins, and doubles while the matchmaking services are exceptional.

Kiawah's tennis staff will help guests arrange matches with other players of equal ability levels through the NTRP self-rating system. If a match is not found, then one of Kiawah's talented professionals will play with the guest with only a court time charge.

In addition to the nationally recognized tennis instruction, the tennis facilities at Kiawah Island have received international attention as host of the 1990 Men's Clay Court Championships and the 1998 KB Fed Cup tie between the U.S. and the Netherlands.

Guests can enjoy two separate tennis facilities at Kiawah Island: West Beach Tennis Center and East Beach Tennis Center. West Beach features ten Har-Tru clay courts, two lighted hard courts a backboard, and an adjacent pool, and snack bar. Guests at The Sanctuary are steps away from the East Beach tennis facility that has a fully stocked pro shop, nine Har-Tru clay courts (one lighted) and three hard courts (one lighted), as well as a zoned practice court with a ball machine and automatic retrieval system. Both clubs offer complete instructional facilities and are beautifully landscaped with lush shrubbery separating the courts for privacy.