

About the grass on the golf course...

Name of variety: SeaDwarf®

From the family of grass: Seashore Paspalum

How it's different from Bermudagrass:

Seashore Paspalum grass may look like Bermudagrass, but it's not. This is a different family of grass but may be used anywhere one might use Bermudagrass. Some major differences with Seashore Paspalum:

- Requires only about HALF the water for irrigation than Bermudagrass.
- May use varied water quality for irrigation, from effluent and gray water to brackish. Can use potable water but not necessary.
- Extremely salt tolerant. Salt may be used to kill weeds instead of chemical herbicides.

How SeaDwarf is different from other Seashore Paspalum grass varieties:

- SeaDwarf is the only dwarf grass of all the paspalums.
- Because it's the only dwarf, it can be mowed lower than other varieties.
- Because it may be mowed lower, less than 1/10th of an inch, it produces the fastest greens of any Seashore Paspalum.
- Because it may be mowed from about 1/10th of an inch up to about 2-inches, SeaDwarf can be used on all playing surfaces of the golf course. This is true here at The Quarry. It's the same grass on greens, collars, tees, roughs and fairways. Only one grass variety to maintain.
- Notice the color? It's a very distinctive bright green. That's how you can tell it's SeaDwarf.

Why using one grass, SeaDwarf, on all surfaces is significant:

- The golf course superintendent may maintain all surfaces of the golf course in the same way
- Same fertilizer regimine
- Same irrigation regimine
- No worries of encroachment from other grass varieties from other parts of the course

Playability differs too:

- The grass grows upright. It does not lay down in the fairway. So, you'll notice that in the fairway the ball seems to sit up as if on a tee. Could make for easier 2nd shots.
- Putts true. You don't need to read these greens like you do on Bermudagrass. Players may look for a grain and not be able to find one. That's because it's probably not there.

Tournament Exposure:

SeaDwarf® has been used in competition:

- On the PGA Tour: greens at Trump International the Puerto Rico Open in 2009.
- On the LPGA Tour: greens, tees, fairways at Turnberry Isle in Miami for the Stanford International Pro-Am in 2009.

Other information:

- Warm Season Turfgrass
- Grass on this golf course was grown at a farm in Avon Park, Central Florida, called Emerald Island Turf
- Does not grow from seed. It is a live turf planted as sprigs or stolons and sod.
- Can be used on sports fields and home lawns, too.

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