



GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB CASTELLO DI SPESSA A CAPRIVA DEL FRIULI (GO) **Swing between the vineyards of Collio in the Middle-European Golf Club**

Due to its strategic position in Friuli Venezia Giulia, bordering Slovenia and Austria, at **Castello di Spessa Golf & Country Club** in Capriva del Friuli (GO) you can breathe the spirit of the Mitteleuropeans: here, in fact, Italian, Austrian, German, Slovenian, Croatian golfers meet and measure themselves attracted by the charm of the place and by the mild climate of the Collio, which allows you to play even in the cold season.

The course is dominated by the elegant silhouette of **Castello di Spessa** built in 1200, for centuries home of the Friulian nobility and holiday resort of famous people such as Giacomo Casanova and Lorenzo Da Ponte, the famous librettist of Mozart. Unique feature in Friuli Venezia Giulia (and among few cases in Italy), it winds completely **between the vineyards** embracing the castle, from which come valuable Doc Collio wines that are refined in the **medieval** cellar located under the manor. The 18-hole course (PAR 71, 5,460 mt long) is divided into two sectors: the first nine holes, on the more hilly and scenic part of the course, the remaining ones on the flatter area crossed by the Versa River. The holes are named after the wines and spirits of Castello di Spessa, and the golf carts are Ribolla Gialla, in homage to one of Collio's most renowned native wines.

Founded in September 2005, this is a **technical course with various difficulties**, particularly challenging, where **golfers who like to play accompanied by their dogs are also welcomed**. The **driving range** has 20 stations, while the **putting green** and **pitching green** are located at the foot of the **Teatro di Verzura**, the brand-new open-air theater characterized by green grassy bleachers and perfectly integrated into the park, which in the summer season hosts opera concerts and other major cultural events. It is considered an **organic field** because no harmful substances are used, polluting humans and the environment.

Thanks to the expert care of the team led by **Super-Intendent Matija Pipan**, who participated as Greenkeeper in the last DP World Tour and the 2018 and 2023 Ryder Cup, the field is always looked after to the best of its ability. The investments made over the past few years have been many, as have the number of tournaments hosted, and the Membership is constantly increasing. The signage throughout the course has recently been redone and important new turf care equipment has been purchased.

All the recent improvements have made the course even more beautiful and enjoyable: after all, attention to detail is a must at the **Resort**, where guests and Members can enjoy all the other comforts of the complex, which welcomes them with **3 dining options and 4 facilities to stay in**, in close contact with nature. A not-to-be-missed pampering is the brand new **Vinum SPA**, 2,000 square meters of pure wellness with indoor and outdoor pools and panoramic whirlpool over the greens and vineyards, where guests can relax after hours of play, opting for massages, saunas and Turkish baths and experience all the benefits of Vinotherapy.

The **Club House**, with the annexed **Pro Shop**, set up in collaboration with Golf'Us, is located in an old country house, with a large dehors and a shaded terrace on the garden and golf course: in its restaurant, **Hosteria del Castello**, the kitchen is based on the seasons and the flavors of the territory, with a good selection of cold cuts and cheese from Friuli.

Instead, in the **Bistrot Il Gusto di Casanova**, you can taste an extraordinary selection of products from Friuli Venezia Giulia. From the restoration of an old farmhouse at the foot of the manor house has been created the Tavernetta al Castello, with a renowned Gourmand Restaurant and 10 rooms with a country chic atmosphere.



Guests can also choose to stay in three other facilities: the **castle**, where about 15 suites furnished with furniture from the 1700s and 1800s from Italy and Central Europe have been created; the **Appartamenti nelle Vigne** overlooking the green with 8 apartments furnished in a warm rustic style, dedicated especially to golfers; and the **Casale in Collina**, the most secluded, about 10 rooms furnished in shabby chic style. Completing the resort's offerings is the **Locanda La Boatina**, 3 km from the castle, near the winery.

TECHNICAL DATA

Project: Architect Giacomo Cabrini -

2005 **Holes:** 18 holes - par 71

Course Length: mt. 5.460

Position: 80m over sea level

Men: CR 69,4 - SR 133

Women: CR 72,6 - SR 127

Season: Open every day

SERVICES

Driving range

Pitching green

Putting green

Rental of E- Cart, trolley e equipment

Proshop

Bar and Restaurants

NOT ONLY GOLF

From Castello di Spessa depart relaxing **walks and naturalistic routes**, along the slopes of the Collio on foot, by bike or on the yellow Vespas, available for Resort's guests. Not far away, Cormons, a small town of Middle-European "Heart "of Collio; Gorizia, the "Austrian Nice" with its medieval castle; Cividale, whose Longobard remains are Unesco World Heritage; Aquileia, second Rome and main archaeological site of northern Italy; Grado, with its long beach and its enchanting lagoon. Interesting - from Gorizia, to Redipuglia, to the Karst - the historical routes dedicated to WWI, which lead to the discovering of trenches, bunkers and places that were the scene of battles during WWI.

HOSPITALITY AND RESTAURANTS

Castello di Spessa (info@castellodispessa.it)

La Tavernetta al Castello (tavernetta@castellodispessa.it)

Appartamenti nelle Vigne and Casale in Collina (info@castellodispessa.it)

Locanda La Boatina (laboutina@libero.it)

Restaurants: Bistrot Il Gusto di Casanova, La Tavernetta al Castello (closed on Sunday evening and Monday), Hosteria del Castello, La Boatina.

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