

the silver-leafed monkeys and breezes wafting through the trees. A round of golf here is a test of patience, endurance and course management. The masterful parkland layout offers incredible sceneries on almost all 18 holes.

SUNGEI NINE



Hole 1 Par 4 288m

An easy, straightforward short par four to get your round going with a wide enough tree-lined fairway. Long hitters can reach sand traps on the right. A 200-metre drive will leave you with just a wedge onto a gently contoured green guarded by greenside bunkers on the left. Best chance for birdie on this course.



Hole 2 Par 4 316m

This is a short but very tricky doglegged left hole. Tee shot must be right of centre or straight down the middle towards a bunker waiting at the end of the fairway before the dogleg. Too much draw off the tee will end up unsuspectingly in the woods. Two bunkers lie waiting on the right of a green with a higher tier at the back.



Hole 3 Par 4 489m

This is the longest par four at Villea Rompin. Demand is on the tee shot especially with a lake quarding the right side and trees on the left. Big hitters may be encouraged to carry the trees for a somewhat shorter approach. Just after the 150-metre mark the fairway rolls down towards a narrow and longish green guarded by three bunkers. A tough but rewarding hole. Par is an excellent score.



Hole 4 Par 4

This is another toughie. The hole is slightly doglegged right and long. There is Out of Bounds on the left most of the way and water way right of the landing area to trap the bad slices. Again, the demand is for a long, straight drive or with slight fade off the tee. There is a bail-out area on the right but trees just after the 100-metre point come into play. Longish green guarded by a bunker and water on the right.



Hole 5 Par 3

Three of the four par 3s here can be considered signature holes. This one has an elevated tee box played onto a heavily guarded green with bunkers on the left and water in front going around the right. The green boasts severe contours with a turtleback in the middle of this long, putting surface. A great hole to try for a hole-in-one.



Hole 6 Par 5 483m

This is the first par five. It has a wide fairway with a tree and bunker splitting the middle. Fairway slopes gently down towards the 100-metre mark and narrows considerably where bunkers left and right almost meet. Fairly large green with no surprises here. This hole provides another birdie opportunity.



Hole 7 Par 3

A great-looking par three with a narrow green surrounded by water on all sides except at the back. The tee shot is usually played into a prevailing wind from the sea behind the resort which is visible from the tee box. It has the smallest green on the course. Trees everywhere provide a natural frame of this hole for the photo enthusiast.



Hole 8 Par 5 432 m

The shortest of the par fives and shorter in fact than the par four 3rd hole. Toughest test is off the tee onto an elevated narrow landing area guarded by trees on both sides. Having safely found the closely mowed turf off the tee, the hole suddenly opens up wide. The slender green is heavily guarded by bunkers and slopes from left to right. The only defence of this hole is just the tee shot.



Hole 9 Par 4

You are presented with a wide fairway which is guarded by a sand trap on the left. Fairway slopes down after the 220-metre mark. The two-tiered green is guarded by a bunker in front.

TASEK NINE



Hole 10 Par 4 354m

A medium length but tricky par four. The tee shot has to be accurately placed right of centre to afford a clear approach to the green as the hole doglegs slightly to the left onto an elevated green. Heavily wooded area left of the landing area comes into play for drives that veer to the left. The green slopes from back to front with bunkers on the right and in front.



Hole 11 Par 5 533m

The longest hole on the course. It offers a wide landing area but sliced drives will find the lateral water hazard that runs along the length of the fairway on the right. The fairway narrows from 250m onwards followed by bunkers left and right onto an elevated large green. Bunkers guard both sides of the putting area.



Hole 12 Par 3

Longest of the par 3s. Bunkers guard the left and right side of an elevated but gently contoured green. Shot selection and putting adds to its difficulty.



Hole 13 Par 4 370m

A truly memorable hole, offering the widest fairway to encourage everyone to hammer a long drive. The standout of this hole is a towering tree on the right centre of the fairway just after a sand trap. The large green has the highest elevation on the course and slopes back to front. Greenside bunker on the left, and grassy knolls on the right add to the challenge. Difference between the front and back pins is at least two



Hole 14 Par 4

The toughest hole on the back nine, the fairway doglegs left with bunkers ominously guarding the corner of the dog leg, adding demand on the tee shot. The small and contoured green is guarded by bunkers on the left.



Hole 15 Par 4

Trees border both sides of the tee box onto a wide fairway guarded by a bunker right of landing area which stretches almost 150 metres down towards the 100-metre point. The fairway slopes downhill at the 120-metre mark. The green is guarded by bunkers left and right.



Hole 16 Par 4 369m

Bunkers guard both left and right of the landing area and a tall tree stands in the middle of this slightly doglegged left fairway. From the 150-metre point onwards the fairway is narrowed by trees on both sides. Then a bunker stands in front of an elevated two-tiered green to add to its difficulty.



Hole 17 Par 4

A scenic par three played over a lake with bunkers in front, right and left of the elevated two-tiered green.



Hole 18 Par 5 508m

A tough finishing hole due to several factors: long, heavily wooded right side all the way with Out of Bounds running most of the way on the left. After a reasonable drive, the key to a good score is how well you can position your second shot in relation to your third on this doglegged right hole. The second shot has to be long and uphill towards the sand traps so you're provided with a clear shot at the green below. The fairway narrows in front due to bunkers on both sides.



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