

Course: Ventura Point Country Club
Original JNSE Design: David Norwood (Prodigy ID# BMTB25A)
Length: OUT-3355 IN-3498 TOTAL-6853
Par: 72
Difficulty: Easy to Moderate

Objects: Large house from Mark Willet's Scorpion
Small house from Willet's Alhambra
Golfers and small tree from Gene Rodriguez's Nahabino
150 yrd marker from Nahabino
Flowers from Alhambra and Nahabino
All other objects (I think) from Bob Polin's SF Bay

Background: The background was an original layout that I did with objects taken from the previously mentioned courses including Mark Willet's excellent clouds from Alhambra. Thanks to all whose objects I used in this effort. The mountains and sky are mine. I think that this hybrid original/borrowed background is better than what I could do on my own yet allows people who download it to see what is basically a new background. Looking at the new backgrounds is about my favorite part of getting new courses.

The Course: I have designed a total of eight courses since I got the original JNUG at the same time I got my computer a few years ago, but this JNSE creation is my first since buying a modem and stepping into the large world of hobbyist course design. Mark Willet's articles in CGW on courses design are what inspired me to come back to the JNSE fold after abandoning the program for several months. The JNSE modem community has made this game what it is. I needed to see only a few courses before I had the bug to design again and Ventura Point is the result of my first attempt with adjacent fairways and detailed overheads and custom objects and backgrounds.

The course is a fairly easy one to play yet I feel it is still enjoyable. Most of the greens are large and the fairways wide. I put five par fives and par threes on the course because I like courses with lots of opportunity for scoring and felt this would give a competitor a feeling of having a chance at catching some a few strokes up going into the final holes.

I have really enjoyed making this courses and I hope you enjoy it. I have already begun work on other courses including a rendition of Barton Creek here in Austin. If you have any comments please contact me on Prodigy. Thanks.

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