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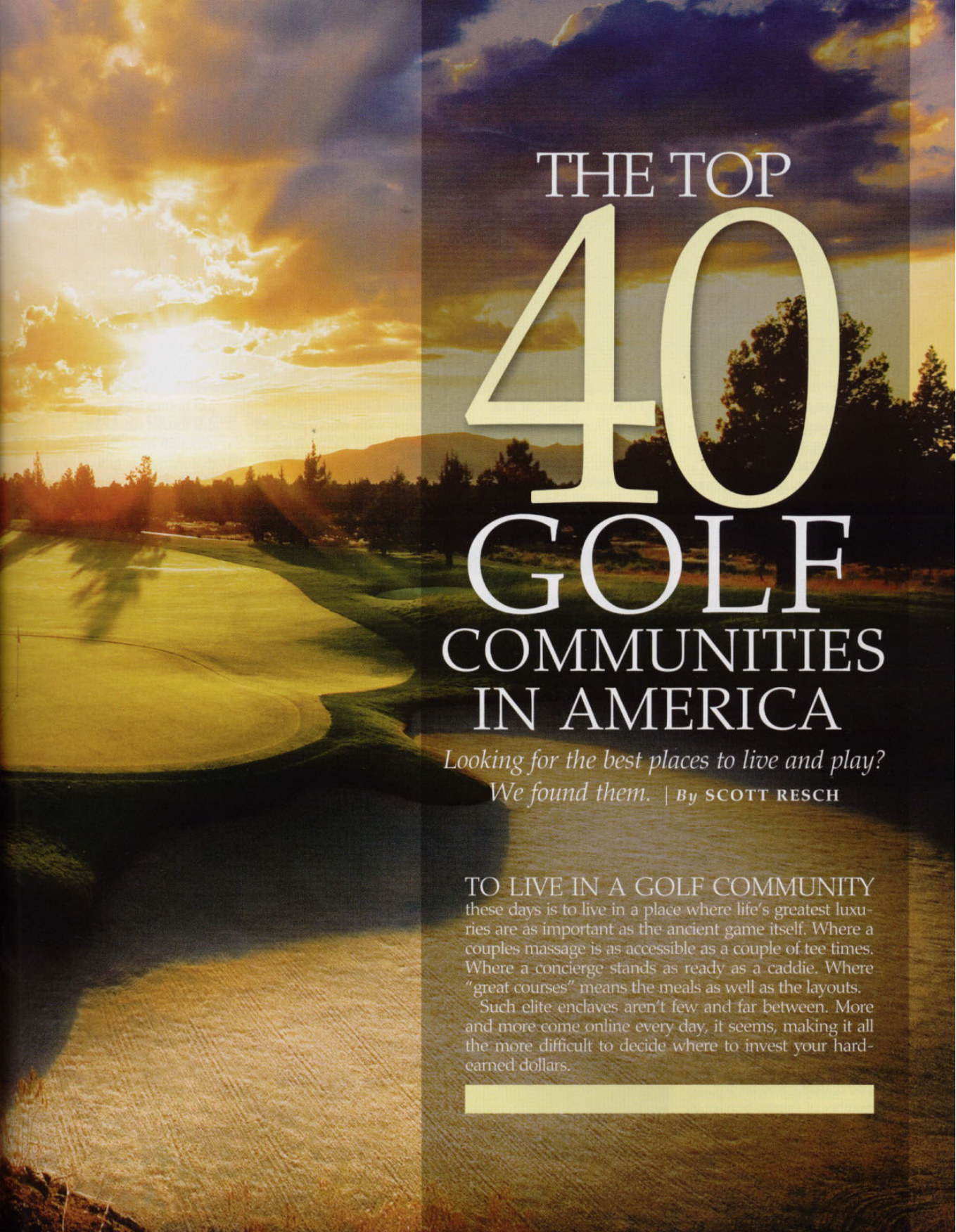
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THE TOP
40
GOLF
COMMUNITIES
IN AMERICA

Looking for the best places to live and play?

We found them. | **By** SCOTT RESCH

TO LIVE IN A GOLF COMMUNITY

these days is to live in a place where life's greatest luxuries are as important as the ancient game itself. Where a couples massage is as accessible as a couple of tee times. Where a concierge stands as ready as a caddie. Where "great courses" means the meals as well as the layouts.

Such elite enclaves aren't few and far between. More and more come online every day, it seems, making it all the more difficult to decide where to invest your hard-earned dollars.

Strip's bright lights, this desert community hits the jackpot for its softer nature. Sure, members can find pool-side cabanas similar to those at any of Steve Wynn's establishments, but the on-site elementary schools and candle-light yoga classes leave no doubt as to how familial and purifying the enclave is. Many of the custom homes are characterized by outdoor firepits, built-in barbecues, and trellis-covered patios, while the five two-bedroom cottages adjacent to the clubhouse offer guests access to the colossal spa and vistas of the golf course, a rare collaboration between Robert Trent

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With just one home to every seven acres, this Lowcountry community, replete with moss-draped live oaks, is as low-impact as it gets. The nature-friendly property teems with fauna such as turkey, deer, and heron, while at the same time serving as an ecological research site for surrounding universities. Musical performances, painting programs, and educational presentations are among

the amenities, and Arnold Palmer's Old Tabby Links golf course is a study in design perfection. The development's passion for the great outdoors extends to its salt- and fresh-water fishing outlets, comprehensive equestrian facility, and hunt club, which takes to a nearby plantation during season to stalk quail by mule-drawn wagon.

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STONE EAGLE

Palm Desert, California

"The course is a cross between Mars and Ireland," said one panelist, describing