

## Robert Trent Jones II Design Ranked No. 1 Among Nordic Top 100 Courses

Bro Hof Slott Stadium Course Heads List; 10 RTJ II Lavouts Honored Overall



An aerial look at Bro Hof Slott Golf Club in Sweden, ranked the top course in Nordic countries.

**Palo Alto, Calif. (Nov. 17, 2016)** – Robert Trent Jones II Golf Course Architects (RTJ II) earned high honors in the annual rankings of "Top 100 Golf Nordic Courses" compiled by *Golf Digest/Sweden* magazine and published in its November issue.

Named No. 1 in the entire region is the Stadium Course at Sweden's Bro Hof Slott Golf Club, an RTJ II design that debuted in 2008 and is home to the Scandinavian Masters of the European PGA TOUR.

Four RTJ II courses were named to the Top 10, with a total of 10 RTJ II courses included in the overall Top 100 for the region, which included Denmark, Iceland, Finland, The Netherlands, Norway and Sweden.

"It is an honor to be among the golf courses recognized on this distinguished list," said Robert Trent Jones, Jr., Chairman and Master Architect, who is unrivaled among golf course architects in the global marketplace, from the Americas to Europe to Asia. "We are proud of our work in this special part of the world."

The RTJ II golf courses in the Nordic Top 100 list (ranking in parenthesis):

• (1) Bro Hof Slott Golf Club/Stadium Course – Stockholm, Sweden

- (3) The Scandinavian Golf Club/Old Course Farum, Denmark
- (6) Miklagard Golf Club Oslo Norway
- (8) Holtsmark Golf Club Sylling, Norway
- (12) Lübker Golf Resort Djursland, Denmark
- (23) Bro Hof Slott Golf Club/Castle Course Stockholm, Sweden
- (25) Bjaavann Golfklubb Kristiansand, Norway
- (25) The Scandinavian Golf Club/New Course Farum, Denmark
- (36) Skjoldenæsholm Golf Center/Jones Course Jystrup, Denmark
- (90) Ruuhikoski Golf Course Nurmo, Finland

These are the latest honors for RTJ II courses, which have appeared on all of the most respected "best of the best" rankings worldwide for the past five decades. RTJ II remains passionate and committed to building environmentally responsible golf courses that are challenging, innovative, and enjoyable to play.

"We use our vision to reveal and sculpt each course inherent to its site so golfers can enjoy the challenges and wonders of the game," Jones said. "We believe that preserving the natural beauty of the site contributes to the pleasure of the golfing experience."

While delighted to have his Bro Hof Slott design ranked No. 1 overall, Jones is particularly proud that Norway's Miklagard Golf Club – the first world-class golf course built in Scandinavia – remains so highly regarded, given the number of courses built since its debut in 2002. Miklagard is one of many RTJ II ground-breaking projects, which include Moscow Country Club, the first 18-hole golf course in Russia, and Spring City, in Yunnan Province, the #1 resort course in China

RTJ II golf courses have hosted tournaments on every major golf tour in the world – most recently the 2015 U.S. Open Championship (Chambers Bay) and 2016 U.S. Women's Open Championship (CordeValle). They have also hosted special events such as the World Cup of Golf, The Skins Game, The Grand Slam, and many others. More than 100 of RTJ II's courses have played host to such events.

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## **About Robert Trent Jones II**

With headquarters in Palo Alto, Calif., Robert Trent Jones II Golf Course Architects (RTJ II) is the preeminent golf design firm worldwide, having created more than 270 courses in over 40 countries on six continents. Trustees of a great tradition of golf course architecture, RTJ II is committed to working in harmony with nature to craft the best golf course on each unique site. The RTJ II design team has experience in every aspect of golf course development and the ability to provide support and expertise from conception through completion of any project. For additional information contact the firm at +1 650-475-0329 or info@rjt2.com.

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