

Warwick Guy (Yarra Yarra GC) on his June 2013 US East Coast tour (including the US Open!)



Courses

Pound Ridge / Plainfield / Somerset Hills
Garden City / Baltusrol / Bethpage Black /
Piping Rock / Quaker ridge / Gulph Mills /
Galloway National / Rolling Green

Hotels:

New York -The Westin New York Grand Central /
Philadelphia – Le Meridien

Best courses:

Although all the courses we played were extremely good, the ones that stand out were Baltusrol and Garden City in New York and Rolling Green in Pennsylvania. It's a bit tough to be picky when the planning for this group of courses was carried out over a 12-18 month period and getting onto some of these is next to impossible. Although I have selected these on the basis of the sheer pleasure of playing them it must also be said that the hospitality shown was excellent. Another course that stands out was Bethpage Black particularly when played off the back tees after a deluge of rain the day prior. Having said that, we were warned by all the signage around the first tee!!



General Comments:

The location and standard of both hotels was very good for both the ease of the transportation to the golf, and getting to shops and restaurants in the general vicinity. The two functions that were organized as part of the tour turned out to be a lot of fun.

Transportation was very good with all of the local drivers providing much amusement and good insights into the trips.

Overall, the trip was most memorable and friendly. It's nice when everything goes according to plan!

#1 Golfers Travel Tip:

Easy – Take with you all the golfing items that you're about to get rid of (e.g. Shirts, Shorts/Trousers, Shoes and Umbrellas) and at the end of the tour "turf" them out. This will either reduce the weight for the return journey or allow you to buy some new shirts.