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Ta Shee Golf & Country Club 大溪高爾夫俱樂部

Golfing luminaries such as Nick Faldo, Ernie Els and Tiger Woods have teed it up at Ta Shee Golf & Country Club, a testament to its championship pedigree. In preparation for the 1999 Johnnie Walker Classic, Robert Trent Jones II effected a total redesign, rejuvenating the championship combination of the Kingfisher and Aigret nines, resulting in a flowing and picturesque shot maker's course where golfers must hit well-executed and well-conceived shots to set up the best approaches. Since then, Ta Shee has hosted the BMW Asian Open along with other tournaments of the European, Australian and Asian Tour. Ernie Els commented that the "new image for Ta Shee Golf and Country Club enables it to be on the list of world class golf courses." And a fellow named Tiger Woods said, "I'm very impressed that there is such an international-class golf course in Taiwan. The quality is Superb!" A few noteworthy holes first timers to Ta Shee will encounter include the 386-yard par 4, 7th on the Kingfisher course. From the white tees, a decent drive will see the golfer getting wet. Laying-up however, leaves a little too much water to take on comfortably as the lake is a good hundred yards long to the small narrow green placed right at the water's edge. Bunkers to the rear make the approach in truly challenging, no matter how well the drive ends up. The 173 year par 3, 2nd calls for an accurate shot to land like a butterfly with sore feet on the lightning fast green. Anything less will find the water in front and on the left, and bunkers almost everywhere else. Smart golf is again required on the Aigret nine's 396 yard par 4, 4th hole, as 250 yards down the fairway, it narrows down to just 15 yards wide. Slice right, and the ball drops off a sheer cliff; anything left leaves a tree to be negotiated around, along with contentious bunkers guarding all sides of the green. This Robert Trent Jones II redesign is one of the best rounds of golf Taiwan has to offer.

Designer	: Robert Trent Jones Jnr
Holes / Par / Yardage	: 27 holes par 72 (7150 yards) (Kingfisher - 3,750 yards / Aigret - 3,400 yards / Thrush- 3,143 yards)
Established	: 1999
Green / Caddy / Buggy Fees	: NT\$ 3,570 (wkday) NT\$4,570 (wkend), NT\$980 / NT\$250
Distance	: 30 km / 30 min from Central Taipei