



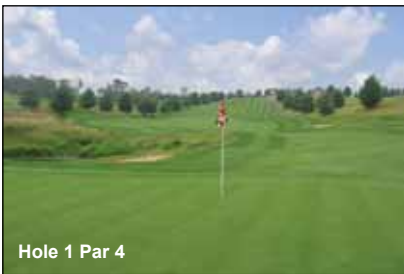
Musket Ridge Golf Club ~ Birdies and Burgers

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Leave it to the crafty team at Musket Ridge Golf Club in Myersville, MD, to come up with another unique innovation to make your round of golf more enjoyable. First, let me describe a common occurrence that you have likely encountered on the golf course. On a hot, sunny day the beverage cart cannot be found, but you still have five holes to play before making it back to the clubhouse. A brewski, power drink, or pack of crackers has your name on it. What are you going to do? In most cases, you just hope for the cart to show up or wait it out until you make the turn. Musket Ridge now provides you with an alternative. The course has partnered with the [online ordering](#) company Foodio to eliminate this problem. Musket Ridge has always been on the cusp of new ideas to improve a golfer's overall experience, and this one delivers the goods, no pun intended! No wonder you find Musket Ridge consistently ranked in the top ten in Maryland in *Golfweek's* yearly rankings.



"Meals and cocktails are being delivered nearly everywhere now, why not food and drinks from our kitchen to our golfing customers," states Affinity Management Director Damon DeVito, the company that runs Musket Ridge. And don't expect just pre-wrapped sandwiches and a bag of peanuts. That juicy burger and cold beer will be on their way by using the Foodio app on your smartphone. The new feature will not be limited to just food orders. You can also have a sleeve of balls, sunscreen, or anything else from the pro shop delivered right to you on the course.



Hole 1 Par 4

Musket Ridge, located just west of Frederick, sits just below the mountain line. Several towers used by Camp David at the top of the mountain can be seen in clear sight. Golfers dream about a hole like the par 4 opening hole. The tee box sits at the top of a "ridge," and the view of the Free State's countryside rivals any scenic overlook you may ever come across. The downhill shot also provides plenty of extra roll. Several


holes stand out on the front side as terrific ones including the first par 5, the sixth, where your drive played from an elevated tee must favor the right side of the fairway. Anything too far to the left will fall off of a steep bank. The outward nine ends with a trio of holes thought to be the stiffest stretch at Musket Ridge. A 448-yard par 4, the longest par 3, and the demanding uphill par 5 ninth will make you thirsty for the back nine that opens with three of my favorites. Ten is a sweeping par 5 famous for its nearly 100-yard bunker, while the short par 4 eleventh can easily give you heartburn as you consume a visual treat. The last of the par 5s,

number twelve, double doglegs with several corners to cut and ten hungry bunkers to avoid. One of the more dramatic holes at Musket Ridge, the par 4 sixteenth, plays downhill to a split-level fairway. A couple of birdie chances come up, so close the round strong.

Musket Ridge's clubhouse and banquet hall are unapparelled at daily fee golf courses in the mid-Atlantic. Both structures are situated on a bluff overlooking the course and the Middletown Valley. The Catoclin Hall at Musket Ridge has been hailed as "Best Wedding Vendor" by *Washington Bride and Groom* as well as receiving a [WeddingWire Couples' Choice Award](#).



Hole 12 Par 5

For golf outings, expect much more than just a great course here. The top-notch cuisine has been called the best of any golf course in Maryland. Musket Ridge's unique zero food waste initiative has already kept 40,000 pounds of food waste out of landfills. Few facilities in the mid-Atlantic work both sides of the business quite as well. Sometimes success requires initiative and insight, and Musket Ridge certainly satisfies the palate. 

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