



JGTA ASPIRATIONS AT THE BLUFFS

DECEMBER 18 – 20, 2019
THE BLUFFS HO TRAM STRIP
VUNG TAU, VIETNAM

TOURNAMENT HEADLINES

FULL FIELD OF COLLEGE-BOUND JUNIORS

The JGTA Aspirations will feature top-ranked juniors from across the Asia-Pacific, looking to improve their standing on the *JGTA Junior Order Of Merit*. Top performers earn AJGA PBE Status according to their Junior Order of Merit standing at the end of the JGTA season.

FIRST JGTA EVENT IN VIETNAM

The JGTA Aspirations at The Bluffs is the first event to be sanctioned with Junior Order of Merit in Vietnam. This event will be the second event of the 2019–2020 season where it will play a crucial role in players rank on the Junior Order of Merit – the Official Ranking of the JGTA and the the source for AJGA PBE Status in Asia.

OFFICIAL HOST VENUE | THE BLUFFS HO TRAM STRIP

The event will be the first JGTA event hosted by The Bluffs Ho Tram Strip – Ranked *No. 35 in Golf Digests* World 100 Greatest Golf Courses *ranking*. The Bluffs Ho Tram Strip was designed to capture the true essence of links-style golf. Set on the coastline -- as almost all great links courses are -- The Bluffs is routed over and around towering sand dunes, which have been shaped over thousands of years by the elements.

QUICK FACTS

DATES: December 18–20, 2019

VENUE: The Bluffs Ho Tram Strip

LOCATION: Vung Tau, Vietnam

CLASSIFICATION: Major Event

DIVISION: Boys & Girls, ages 12 – 18

FORMAT: 54-Holes, Stroke Play

FIELD: Maximum 96 players

ENTRY FEE: USD \$295

STATUS & RANKING: AJGA PBE per Junior Order of Merit



JGTA TOUR CARD

Players are required to hold an Active JGTA Tour Card at the time of application in order to be eligible. In order to obtain your JGTA Tour Card, please register your **Tour Card Application** on **jgta.org**.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

JGTA Tour Card holders may apply for the event in their **Player HQ**.

Payment will not be required until after the Tournament Application Window closes. Players who have earned tentative entry into the Tournament are contacted by the Tour informing them of their tentative entry, and will provide them with a link to the JGTA payment portal.

ENTRY CRITERIA

The JGTA uses AJGA PBE Status determines tournament entry. Players with the highest number of AJGA PBE Status at the time of application will be given the first priority.

OFFICIAL TIE-BREAK

CATEGORY I	Local Exemptions
CATEGORY II	Junior Order of Merit Ranking
CATEGORY III	Rolex AJGA Ranking
CATEGORY IV	Previous Season's Junior Order of Merit Ranking
CATEGORY V	Graduation Year (Priority to Seniors)
CATEGORY VI	Junior Golf Scoreboard Ranking
CATEGORY VII	Local Players
CATEGORY VIII	Random Draw

TOUR CONTACTS

For any updates regarding practice round, official accommodations, travel and visa information please visit the **Tournament Microsite**.

For further information or questions please contact **playerservices@jgta.org**.

ELIGIBILITY

THE CONDITIONS OF ELIGIBILITY

- All players must be a member of the American Junior Golf Association (AJGA) and hold an active Junior or Junior Plus membership.
- All players must hold an active JGTA Tour Card.
- All players must be amateur golfers.
- The minimum age requirement is 11 years old.
- The maximum age requirement is 18 year old
- Once a player starts US college, they are no longer eligible, regardless of age.

STATUS & SANCTIONING

SANCTIONING

This event is sanctioned by the Junior Golf Tour of Asia. This events results will count towards players' JGTA Junior Order of Merit standing, which awards AJGA PBE Status per final ranking at the end of the JGTA season.

JUNIOR ORDER OF MERIT

The Junior Order of Merit (JOM) is the official points-based ranking system of the JGTA. The JOM ranks players based on their average points earned per tournament, applying a divisor of 3 until a player competes in 3 events, the minimum events required for the AJGA to qualify a player as fully competitive.

EARNING AJGA PBE STATUS

At the end of each season, AJGA PBE Stars are awarded to competitors based on their JGTA Junior Order of Merit (JOM) standing. The AJGA PBE Stars a competitor earns on the JGTA are added to their total AJGA PBE Status and can be utilized for AJGA tournament applications after June 1st.

For more information regarding AJGA PBE, please visit the AJGA's [website](#).

DATES TO REMEMBER

APPLICATION WINDOW & DEADLINES

November 1, 2019 – Application Window Opens
November 18, 2019 – Application Deadline
November 19, 2019 – Tentative Field Notified
November 20, 2019 – Payment Deadline

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

All times below are **tentative** and may be changed by the Tour. For the latest updates please check the Player Noticeboard Onsite or the [Tournament Microsite](#).

TUESDAY – DEC 17

5:45 am	–	6:45 am	Player Registration	Clubhouse Lobby
7:00 am	–	12:00 pm	Official Practice Round: Shotgun	Golf Course
2:00 pm	–	3:00 pm	Players & Parents Meeting: <i>Mandatory Attendance</i>	TBD

WEDNESDAY – DEC 18

7:00 am	–	9:30 am	Round 1 Tee-Times	No. 1 / No. 10 Tee
		Following the Round	Long Drive Competition	Driving Range

THURSDAY – DEC 19

7:00 am	–	9:30 am	Round 2 Tee-Times	No. 1 / No. 10 Tee
		Following the Round	Long Drive Competition Final	Driving Range

FRIDAY – DEC 20

7:00 am	–	9:00 am	Final Round Tee-Times	No. 1 / No. 10 Tee
*3:00 pm	–	3:30 pm	Awards Ceremony	TBD

*The awards ceremony will take place immediately following the conclusion of play. If booking travel on day of final round please take into consideration possible weather delays that could affect your arrangements

OFFICIAL PRACTICE ROUND

7:00 am shotgun on Tuesday, December 17th

- The JGTA will assign starting holes and pairings to players prior to December 16th

*Please contact playerservices@jgta.org if you are unable to participate in the official practice round before **December 11th, 2019**.

JGTA CARES FOR THE COURSE

At all events players will receive a small sand bag prior to the round to use throughout the day to fill divots on the course. Sand-filling stations will be set up around the course for players to use during their round.

TRAVEL INFORMATION

AIRPORTS

Tan Son Nhat International Airport (SGN) in Ho Chi Minh City

- Distance to Golf Club/Official Hotel: Approx. 2.5 hours by car
- Hotel Car Airport Pickup Service is available. (The car types, rates, and cancellation policy can be found on page 8 of the Factsheet)

CURRENCY: VND, VIETNAMESE DONG

- Need to exchange into local currency.
- Most major credit cards are accepted.
- VND 23,230 = USD \$1 (Exchange Rate Dated: November 7, 2019)
- ATM and Currency Exchange is available at the Official Hotel

PASSPORT

Minimum 6 months validity

VISA

For information on Vietnam visa requirements by nationality, more details here: <http://www.projectvisa.com/regions/Asia>

Please contact JGTA for information on obtaining an invitation for visa applications.

PUSH CARTS/TROLLEYS

Players are responsible for providing their own trolley (Caddies are not permitted in JGTA Tournaments)

- Complimentary push carts/trolley's will be available at Golf Club. Please pickup and return at the Starting Area.

BAG & TROLLEY STORAGE

Golf bag and trolley storage is available at the Clubhouse

COURSE INFORMATION

THE BLUFFS AT HO TRAM STRIP

Address: Phuoc Thuan, Xuyen Moc, Ba Ria – Vung Tau, Vietnam

Phone: +84 254 378 8666

Website: www.thebluffshotram.com

EARLY/ADDITIONAL PRACTICE ROUNDS

The following rates will be for the period of time all participants and families who have booked through the JGTA to stay the Host Hotel. If a player is not staying in the Hotel please see the Visitor rates under the column labeled “Visitor”.

DESCRIPTIONS		THE GRAND/PREFERRED				VISITOR			
		GUESTS STAYING AT HOTEL							
		9 Holes	18 Holes	27 Holes	36 Holes	9 Holes	18 Holes	27 Holes	36 Holes
USD									
GREEN FEES (Inc Caddie & Cart)	WEEKDAYS (Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri)	\$89	\$169	\$249	\$319	\$99	\$189	\$259	\$339
	WEEKENDS (Sat, Sun)	\$119	\$199	\$269	\$359	\$129	\$129	\$299	\$369
	PUBLIC HOLIDAY	\$119	\$209	\$279	\$369	\$129	\$229	\$309	\$379
	*JUNIOR (Under 16 years old)	\$59	\$89	\$129	\$169	\$69	\$99	\$139	\$179
	TWILIGHT PROMOTION (3pm until dark)	\$79				\$89			

***JGTA participants (regardless of age) may enjoy the Junior rate of the Club for early practice.**

BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS

Players are responsible for reserving tee times with The Bluffs directly using the provided email. Reservation email: bookings@thebluffshotram.com

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Caddie and Shared (1/2) Cart are included in the golf rates (no includes caddie tips)
- If spectator share one Cart with golfer, the spectator fee is required as \$49.
- Parent/spectator out on course is not allowed waking in the early practice round. Any parent/spectator is required to pay a spectator fee and is required to use a cart and a caddie. \$89 for caddie and cart.

OFFICIAL HOTEL INFORMATION

THE GRAND HO TRAM STRIP

Address: Phuoc Thuan, Xuyen Moc, Ba Ria – Vung Tau, Vietnam

Phone: +84 254 378 8888

Website: www.thegrandhotram.com



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OFFICIAL HOTEL INFORMATION

The JGTA Team understands the importance of quality and convenience when choosing a hotel property for your stay. The JGTA has blocked off rooms for JGTA Participants accepted into the field therefore players should not book until they are notified by the JGTA that they are accepted into the field.

Families are **REQUIRED** to stay at the official hotel.

JGTA DISCOUNTED ROOM RATES

Grand King Bed Room/Grand Twin Beds Room

VND 2.310.000 net (including service charge & tax)

Extra Bed

VND 1.622.000 net /bed/night (includes breakfast)

Early Booking Rates

13 Dec: VND 2.656.000

14 Dec: VND 3.350.000

HOTEL RESERVATION INSTRUCTIONS

To obtain these preferred rates, bookings are required to be made through The JGTA via the booking forms under the 'Event Info' Tab of the [tournament microsite](#).

Please email the Reservation Form and Credit Card Authorization Form directly to JGTA Player Services at playerservices@jgta.org.

Click to download and fill out the below required forms:

[The Grand Ho Tram Strip Reservation Form](#)

[Third Party Credit Card Authorization Form](#)

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

BOOKING INSTRUCTIONS

The official hotel – The Grand Ho Tram Strip has an airport pick-up service. Please include the following fields of information when booking your hotel with JGTA to reserve the service:

- Date and time
- Flight number
- Car type
- Guest name (will be printed out for pick up)
- Contact number

Vehicles and Rates can be found on the next page.

TRANSPORTATION CANCELTATION POLICY & PROCEDURE

CANCELTATION






- Cancellation from Tan Son Nhat Airport or HCMC areas, pick up service must be informed 2 hours before the original flight arrival time/confirmed booking time. Notice of less than 2 hours will be applied 50% fee charge.
- Cancellation from The Grand Ho Tram, drop off service must be informed 2 hours before the original intended departure time. Notice of less than 2 hours will incur a 50% fee charge.
- Any cancellation after confirmed booking time will be applied full charge.

NO SHOW

For 'no show' bookings with no advance cancellation or amendment information, there will be a 100% full charge applied.



TRANSPORTATION TARIFF

Vehicle	Destination	HCM City Airport	Ho Tram	Ho Chi Minh
		Ho Tram	Vung Tau	Vung Tau - Ho Tram
	Limo (9 seats)	2,600,000	2,200,000	3,600,000
	Innova (7 seats)	2,700,000	2,300,000	3,700,000
	Fortuner (7 seats)	2,800,000	2,400,000	3,800,000
	Ford Transit (16 seats)	2,800,000	2,400,000	3,800,000
	Thaco (29 seats)	4,000,000	3,600,000	5,000,000
	Huyn dai (45 seats)	6,400,000	6,000,000	7,400,000

- Pick-up or Drop-off only
- Cancellation penalty charge is applied
 - Public Holiday charges: 30%
- Above rates are applicable from 07:01hrs to 22:59hrs daily
- Midnight charges: VND 250,000 nett (from 23:00hrs to 07:00hrs)
- Prices are quoted in VND; included 10% VAT, tolls, parking & the gasoline fee

MEDIA

The Tournament will have JGTA communications representatives on hand to assist media throughout the week. Prior to the tournament the JGTA will provide information about the event and its participants, as well as assist with player interviews.

After each round, media officials on-site will write a recap with the day's results. These will be emailed to all media outlets. Interviews with JGTA Tournament Directors, Tour Officials and juniors may be conducted before or after tournament rounds.

For more information about the JGTA and tournaments, please refer to **jgta.org**. Tournament Microsite's are accessible from the homepage and include recaps, list of participants, tee times, live scoring, course and sponsorship information.

ABOUT THE JUNIOR GOLF TOUR OF ASIA

The Junior Golf Tour of Asia (JGTA) is the governing body for competitive junior golf tournaments in the Asia-Pacific for young golfers to hone their skills at the highest level, developing into successful Collegiate athletes and future champions of the game. Members of the JGTA compete alongside other top-ranked players from across the region, who share similar competitive standings and aspirations for greatness.

JGTA tournaments are ranked on the JGTA Junior Order of Merit, the Tour's official ranking system, and the source for AJGA PBE Status in the Asia-Pacific. Players earn Merit Points from their performance in JGTA events to improve their standing on the Junior Order of Merit. Following the end of each JGTA season (approx. June 1st), the top-performers (60 players total) are awarded AJGA PBE Status according to their final standing on the Junior Order Of Merit.

The JGTA strictly adheres to the competitive entry principles of its partners and the highest standards of performance based entry, to ensure the most competitive tournament fields at all times.