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A GREAT IN THE MAKING? BOIS D'ARLON (THE HEATH), BELGIUM 15TH

Par 4, 399 yards
A hole which has never been played yet is destined to be a classic when it opens in 2024. A superb downhill and a downwind drivable par 4 designed by English architect Stuart Hallett. It's a hole which tempts you to hit the driver, but trouble awaits. The hole is timed at the right point of the round to tempt, whether playing strokeplay or matchplay. The green is a masterpiece, falling away from the golfer and built just at the right level to give views to the surrounding landscape.

tee shot straight over the big bunker to the blind fairway and hope to run it home.

KALAJOKI 2ND KALAJOKI, FINLAND

Par 4, 399 yards
A gentle dog-leg left that culminates in a crescendo of a green site. Straight out of the Surrey heathland playbook, it could be a hole at Swinley Forest.



LA RESERVA CLUB 6TH SOTOGRANDE, SPAIN

Par 5, 545 yards
A brilliant downhill par 5 that gives many a chance of getting on in two - although there is a lake along the whole right side. Movement in the green means birdies are not guaranteed even if you find it in two.

a deep breath before playing their tee and approach shots on this water-laden closing hole. Hitting the near-island green in regulation will guarantee you bragging rights in your group.

PARNU BAY 14TH PARNU, ESTONIA

wind, you can use almost every club from wedge to 3-wood.

PEDRENA 6TH PEDRENA, SPAIN

Par 3, 190 yards
The 7th, a fine par 3 which is in many ways the highlight of this Harry Colt design, was in our thoughts too, but 'El Recodo' - 'the bend' - got the nod, a sweeping two-shot hole with charm and aesthetic appeal. Seve will have enjoyed it...

PUERTA DE HIERRO (ABAJO) 11TH MADRID, SPAIN

Par 5, 574 yards
This Kyle Phillips design at the fabled Madrid club is notable for its exacting, thrilling par 5s and the 11th is the pick, a perfect mix of enticement and challenge.

QUINTA DO LAGO (SOUTH) 15TH ALGARVE, SPAIN

Par 3, 180 yards
Played tee to green over a lagoon, this is a time for a quick picture with your phone camera and then a sweet strike.

REFRATH 8TH