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### ***TENNIS Magazine* Honors Palmetto Dunes as One of the “Top 50 U.S. Tennis Resorts”**

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (November 6, 2008)** – *TENNIS Magazine* recently honored Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort on Hilton Head Island, S.C. as one of the “Top 50 U.S. Tennis Resorts.” Palmetto Dunes is featured in the magazine’s November/December 2008 issue.

This semi-annual review of the leading tennis resorts in the United States was conducted by veteran travel writer Ian Keown, who personally examined courts, quality of instruction, clinics and overall resort experience. Palmetto Dunes has been included on *TENNIS Magazine*’s prestigious ranking of top tennis resorts since the list’s inception in 1975.

“In the world of tennis, there is simply no greater honor than being recognized by *TENNIS Magazine* for outstanding instruction, facilities and resort experience,” said John Kerr, director of tennis at Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort. “We are grateful for this honor and strive to offer the ultimate tennis experience for each and every guest. Our courts, instructors and programming are truly top-notch.”

The world-class Palmetto Dunes Tennis Center offers 23 clay courts and two Nova ProBounce courts, eight of which are conveniently lighted for night play. The energetic staff of tennis professionals at Palmetto Dunes helps guests of all ages improve their skill level and refine their game. The center, which Tennis Resorts Online recently ranked as #2 in the world for best instruction and events, showcases a wide range of weekly programs, including clinics, drill sessions and daily round robin tournaments.

From March to October, the Palmetto Dunes Tennis Center offers a weekly exhibition and happy hour, as well as a weekly demonstration day. The center’s instructional programs have been strategically designed for players of every age group and skill level.

“We proudly offer one of the nation’s most outstanding instructional programs,” said Kerr. “Palmetto Dunes welcomes tennis players from across the country and around the world.”

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Ranked the #1 Family Resort in the United States and Canada by *Travel + Leisure Family* magazine, Palmetto Dunes features an impressive menu of world-class amenities and activities, offering more activities than any other resort in the Southeast. At this premier full-service resort, visitors can enjoy championship golf, world-class tennis, kayaking, biking, nature cruises, dolphin tours, surfing, fishing, shopping, great dining, fun for the kids and much more.

Located in the heart of Hilton Head Island, S.C., this 2,000-acre beachfront resort has been a favorite year-round vacation destination for decades, attracting travelers from across the country and around the world. From the moment guests check-in at the Palmetto Dunes Welcome Center, they enjoy unsurpassed service and convenient access to all the resort's amenities.

From charming villas on the fairway to luxurious private homes overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, Palmetto Dunes proudly offers the island's premier selection of private villa and home rentals. The resort features a wide range of luxury accommodations, from private homes to spacious villas overlooking the harbor, fairways or beach. Guests enjoy all the comforts of home, with luxury amenities like private pools, gourmet kitchens and beach access. When visitors book their reservations directly through Palmetto Dunes, they enjoy preferred rates and premium access to all resort amenities, plus member privileges.

For more information about Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort, please visit [www.palmettodunes.com](http://www.palmettodunes.com) online or call 800.827.3006.

#### **About Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort**

A 2,000+ acre resort stretching from three miles of prime Atlantic Ocean beach to Shelter Cove Harbour's "sheltered" inlet adjoining the Intracoastal Waterway on Hilton Head Island, S.C., Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort is consistently recognized among the world's finest resorts. The resort features three world-class golf courses, an award-winning tennis center, plus an 11 mile inland salt-water lagoon system for kayaking and fishing. The resort also features a popular marina and Outfitters bike and adventure shop, along with one of the best beaches on the Eastern seaboard. Shelter Cove Harbour & Marina, one of the finest ports of call on the East Coast, is the largest deep-water marina on Hilton Head Island. Shelter Cove features an impressive line-up of unique apparel and gift shops, restaurants and art galleries in a one-of-a-kind Mediterranean setting. In addition, Shelter Cove is home to a full variety of charters, nature cruises, dolphin tours, sport crabbing and fishing. Shelter Cove is located mid-island on the western side of Hwy. 278 at the entrance to Palmetto Dunes Resort. For information about activities or reservations, please call 843-785-1138 or visit [www.palmettodunes.com](http://www.palmettodunes.com) online.

#### **About Greenwood Communities and Resorts**

A recognized leader in the design, management and operation of fine resorts and communities across the Southeast, Greenwood Communities and Resorts excels at creating gracious, contemporary living environments that enrich the lives of owners and guests. Based in Greenwood, S.C., Greenwood Communities and Resorts proudly celebrates 30 years of developing properties which offer truly unique lifestyle opportunities. Each Greenwood property has been strategically designed to maximize the area's natural beauty while steadfastly incorporating the principles of intelligent, sustainable land planning. From the rural charm of Liberty Hill Farms in Camden, S.C. to the luxury beachfront resort setting at Palmetto Dunes Oceanfront Resort on Hilton Head Island, Greenwood's properties are as unique as the residents who enjoy them. For more information, please call 843-785-1106 or visit [www.greenwoodcr.com](http://www.greenwoodcr.com) online.

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