

2006 Best of Private

Best Overall Country Club Vaquero

Life is very Sweet for the members at Vaquero.

As well it should be considering it takes \$175,000 and the purchase of a high-priced parcel of land to join the club. But Vaquero spared no expense in providing its members with the finer things in life.

First, there's the stunning Tom Fazio course that already has been tabbed as one of the best layouts in the state. Vaquero is one of a handful of courses grassed with zoysia, so there are no imperfect lies in the fairway, even during the winter months.

Members also are blessed with an out-of-this-world practice facility. Besides the double-sided driving range featuring top-shelf practice balls, members can hone their game at the Tour-caliber short game area and test their flatsticks on putting greens that mimic the surfaces found on the course.

Before or after the round or practice session, members can relax inside Vaquero's immaculate clubhouse. Enchanted dark woods and overstuffed leather chairs make this an inviting place to convene. The dining room overlooks the majestic and rustic scenery, and offers a tasty menu that

rivals the area's best restaurants. Beautiful locker rooms exude luxury for the members and top-notch service awaits their every beckon call. Other clubs would love to have just one of those attributes; Vaquero has them all.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg of the membership privileges offered at the club.

Members get their car washed after every visit to the club, and they have access to the finest masseuses and fitness trainers on site. Golfers are delighted with succulent jalapeno sausages and other goodies on the 10th tee box. Members also can enjoy casting lines at the pristine Fish Camp. These are just a few of amenities that come with being a member at Vaquero, which is why it tops our country club rankings for a fourth consecutive year.

With all these membership privileges and the club's proximity to D/FW Airport, it comes as no surprise that many celebrities and successful businessmen call Vaquero home. PGA Tour stars Justin Leonard, Ben Crane, Brandt Jobe, Todd Hamilton, Corey Pavin, Paul Stankowski and Brian Watts hold memberships here, as do noted instructor Hank Haney and Cowboys quarterback Drew Bledsoe.

