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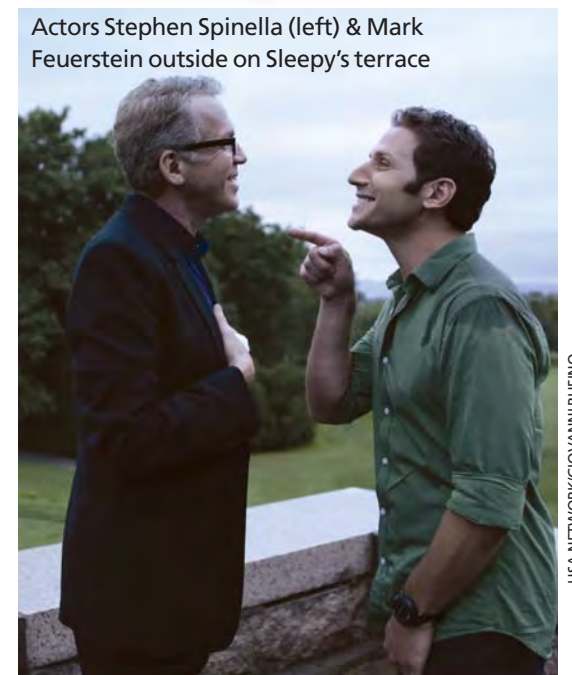
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Just a few hours north of the lights and sounds of New York City sits a sexy golfing getaway in Verona, N.Y., just waiting to accommodate players of all calibers for their annual late-season retreats. If flawless playing conditions and multiple course options are what you're seeking, look no further...

## Courses

**Atunyote.** The Tom Fazio design is the longest and toughest at the resort and played host to The Turning Stone Resort Championship from 2007-2010. The 7,315-yard monster track features vast fairways, flawlessly manicured greens and several lakes and waterfalls making for a memorable round.

**Kaluhyat.** If you're looking for a gentler round coming off Atunyote, you won't find it at this beautiful but demanding Robert Trent Jones, Jr. design. Also measuring over 7,000 yards, players will encounter large elevation changes and challenging holes that demand precise shot-making, but will be rewarded with spectacular views.

**Shenendoah.** Host of the 2006 PGA National Club Professional Championship, the Shenendoah Course offers much flatter, open golf holes but still plays to conditions that are private club-esque.

## Lodging

**The Lodge at Turning Stone.** This all-suite hotel offers luxurious rooms, elegant restaurants, and is just a short walk from the casino. Make sure you check out their exclusive stay-and-play packages for discounted rates.

## Off-Course

**Salmon River.** Located about 50 miles from Turning Stone, Salmon River boasts some of the best sport fishing in the country, especially in late September/early October.

Views are stunning on the Atunyote Course



# Royal St. George

Photo Courtesy of the R&A

Despite winning 15 MGA championships and the 2002 U.S. Mid-Amateur, 60-year-old George Zahringer III still needs to feed his competitive appetite. On August 9, the Rye, N.Y., native who plays out of Deepdale, captured arguably one of his most coveted amateur victories to date, claiming the British Seniors Open Amateur at Royal Aberdeen Golf Club in Scotland by one stroke.

“Playing for the U.S. in the Walker Cup, winning the [U.S.] Mid-Amateur, and taking part in eight U.S. Senior Opens were great. But it is something special to win overseas,” he told the R&A following his victory.

Zahringer, a 10-time MGA Player of the Year, said he’ll defend his title next year at Ganton Golf Club in North Yorkshire, England, the site of his Walker Cup appearance in 2003.



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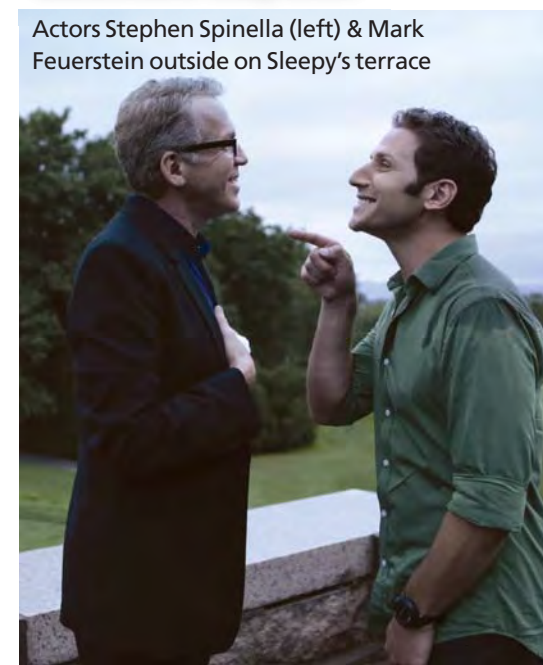
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"It's unbelievable," said Brown, the head professional at Tam O'Shanter in Brookville, N.Y. "The Met Open is so hard to win. To do it once is awesome, to do it a second time, I didn't think it could happen. It's really an honor to win this championship, it's what everyone tries to achieve in this section."

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Two-time reigning MGA Player of the Year Mike Miller finished third in his professional debut



Cameron Wilson made a spectacular up-and-down on 18 to force a playoff



Greg Bisconti of Saint Andrew's was the leader after the first two rounds. He finished T5

# Ironclad

BY SCOTT KRAMER

Of the Titleist AP1 (\$799–\$999/set) and AP2 (\$1,099–\$1,299/set) iron iterations that have emerged the past six years, the latest for 2014 features the most elegant and forgiving versions yet.

In both sets, the long irons get the ball up easy, leading to more carry and soft landings. The short iron lofts were strengthened by one degree to keep flight down and prevent high-spinning balloon balls that fall short of the target.

The game-improving 714 AP1 has a high MOI (moment of inertia) for forgiveness across the clubface, yielding plenty of distance, even on mishits. And it feels solid too, thanks to the clubface thickness – the structure behind the face is a vibration-dampening cavity medallion and a cambered sole.

The 714 AP2, used by Jason Dufner during his 2013 PGA Championship victory, has also been improved. The long irons' thin upper cavity face along with a co-forged, high-density tungsten weight in the low extreme heel creates forgiveness, plus consistent ball speed and distance.

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# 54 Holes at... Turning Stone Resort Casino

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Photo courtesy of Turning Stone

Just a few hours north of the lights and sounds of New York City sits a sexy golfing getaway in Verona, N.Y., just waiting to accommodate players of all calibers for their annual late-season retreats. If flawless playing conditions and multiple course options are what you're seeking, look no further...

## Courses

**Atunyote.** The Tom Fazio design is the longest and toughest at the resort and played host to The Turning Stone Resort Championship from 2007-2010. The 7,315-yard monster track features vast fairways, flawlessly manicured greens and several lakes and waterfalls making for a memorable round.

**Kaluhyat.** If you're looking for a gentler round coming off Atunyote, you won't find it at this beautiful but demanding Robert Trent Jones, Jr. design. Also measuring over 7,000 yards, players will encounter large elevation changes and challenging holes that demand precise shot-making, but will be rewarded with spectacular views.

**Shenendoah.** Host of the 2006 PGA National Club Professional Championship, the Shenendoah Course offers much flatter, open golf holes but still plays to conditions that are private club-esque.

## Lodging

**The Lodge at Turning Stone.** This all-suite hotel offers luxurious rooms, elegant restaurants, and is just a short walk from the casino. Make sure you check out their exclusive stay-and-play packages for discounted rates.

## Off-Course

**Salmon River.** Located about 50 miles from Turning Stone, Salmon River boasts some of the best sport fishing in the country, especially in late September/early October.



Views are stunning on the Atunyote Course



# Ironclad

BY SCOTT KRAMER

Of the Titleist AP1 (\$799–\$999/set) and AP2 (\$1,099–\$1,299/set) iron iterations that have emerged the past six years, the latest for 2014 features the most elegant and forgiving versions yet.

In both sets, the long irons get the ball up easy, leading to more carry and soft landings. The short iron lofts were strengthened by one degree to keep flight down and prevent high-spinning balloon balls that fall short of the target.

The game-improving 714 AP1 has a high MOI (moment of inertia) for forgiveness across the clubface, yielding plenty of distance, even on mishits. And it feels solid too, thanks to the clubface thickness – the structure behind the face is a vibration-dampening cavity medallion and a cambered sole.

The 714 AP2, used by Jason Dufner during his 2013 PGA Championship victory, has also been improved. The long irons' thin upper cavity face along with a co-forged, high-density tungsten weight in the low extreme heel creates forgiveness, plus consistent ball speed and distance.

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