

THE GOOD STUFF

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Dress like Tiger and Phil

Here's a stylish way to cheer for the Red, White and Blue and look like one of the American star players: Ralph Lauren (RLX) is the official outfitter for the 2018 U.S. Ryder Cup team, combining a variety of stylish apparel with innovative performance fabrics. The collection features modern stripes and color blocking, accented with patriotic logos and graphics. "United We Stand" is printed in the interior waistband of all on-course pants. You can also find a very cool camo map print on selected outerwear (namely the high-performing windshirt), inspired by the Albatros Course at the host venue of Le Golf National just outside Paris. Perhaps this can even help elevate your game. Plus, it can also be an ideal fashion statement on the Fourth of July. So slip into these cool threads and get into the spirit of this epic event as the Americans gear up to win for the first time on foreign soil in 25 years. **MSRP \$97.50-\$225** www.ralphlauren.com

A Jacket with Zip

The techies at Johnnie-O have come up with a new version of their Coastal Jacket that was a hit. It's the Bates 2-Way Zip Sweater Jacket, a cozy soft fleece model with a stretch liner for an easy fit, zip front pockets, and a two-way zipper. Available in five sizes (up to XXL) and three colors (light gray, midnight and Red Rock). **MSRP \$145** www.johnnie-o.com



Golf in the Homeland

Author and highly-skilled player Tom Coyne puts his clubs and his pen together for another dynamic book *A Course Called Scotland*. Coyne emerged about a decade ago with his book on Ireland where he traversed most of the country in search of links golf. Now he takes us on a journey where you truly feel what it is like to be in the Home of Golf experiencing more seaside links layouts. He shares all of his experiences from the most well-known courses to lesser-known hidden gems. It's humorous storytelling filled with history and insight to the roots of the game and all of the interesting people he runs into along the way. What's truly amazing is his playing 107 courses over a period of just 56 days. Talk about a golf junkie! If you have ever been to or wanted to go where the game was born, *A Course Called Scotland*, is a tee time you must make. **MSRP \$12.99 (Kindle), \$27 (hardcover)** www.simonandschuster.com/ books/*A-Course-Called-Scotland/Tom-Coyne*

Wear Yellow for Jarrod
The passing of PGA professional Jarrod Lyle in August has been felt by countless members of the golf community. Nexbelt is aiming to help those hit the hardest: Lyle's wife and two children. That's why Nexbelt is donating 100 percent of proceeds from sales of the Jarrod Lyle signature belt to them. The bright yellow belt with signature buckle was one of the ways Lyle brought awareness to leukemia. Nexbelt is highly regarded for their ratchet design to adjust sizing, as opposed to traditional belt holes. www.nexbelt.com



Great Balls of Fire

Volvik has made a bold colorful move in the golf ball world, expanding their line of Vivid balls with the introduction of four new colors: jade, blue, purple and black. These aerodynamic nuggets maintain the same top quality of all of their ball-types, providing golfers with superior performance, power and distance. The Volvik Vivid line is the world's first matte-finish three-piece golf ball, with a 75 compression and a larger core for more distance.

The unique SF matte coating provides aerodynamic consistency and higher trajectory. Golfers experience the ultimate in distance – with softer feel and greater energy transfer from the highly resilient power core – as well as higher greenside spin for accurate pin control. Anyone can play with white balls but why not bring a little pizzazz into your game? **MSRP \$32.99** www.volvik.com



Puma Makes Tracks On and Off Course

It's hard to beat Puma at the golf shoe game these days. They produce trendy designs that are comfortable with superior traction. You know you're doing it right when you wear the shoes off the course. The new IGNITE PWRADAPT lineup has a foam cushioned platform that adapts to the way you move. With a performance mesh upper and Tornado cleats at the bottom, the PWRADAPT from Puma is ready to go wherever you want. Available in four different color combinations. **MSRP \$150** www.cobragolf.com



Getting an Electronic Grip

Arccos is one of the most well-known golf tech companies out there. Their sensors have been in recent club models from Cobra, so it was only a matter of time until everyone could get their hands around their technology. Arccos Caddie Smart grips allow golfers to connect their entire bag to the Arccos AI-powered performance tracking system. These grips seamlessly record and analyze every shot you hit (for better or worse). Package includes 13 Lamkin Crossline 360 Smart Grips and 1 Arccos putter sensor. **MSRP \$149.99** www.arccosgolf.com

An Umbrella for a Cause

Finally an umbrella has come along that truly has it all, and could be classified as a smart umbrella. Designed by a meteorologist, no detail of the Folds of Honor Weatherman umbrella is overlooked: industrial-strength fiberglass defends against breaking and inverting, Teflon-coated fabric repels water, and vented canopies withstand winds up to 55 mph. The Weatherman app for Android and iOS notifies you of weather conditions, and even syncs with Bluetooth technology so you'll never leave it behind. This canopy, available in four sizes, is some serious protection for whatever weather pattern you will face on or off the golf course. The two golf models (62- and 68-inches) feature UPF 50+ sun protection, a mesh pocket for storage and a non-slip, silicone rib for hanging a towel. For every one of these limited edition umbrellas purchased, Weatherman will donate \$5 to the Folds of Honor Foundation, an organization that provides scholarships to families of America's fallen and disabled service members. **MSRP \$59-80** www.weathermanumbrella.com

