



SHARK[®] TOOTH GOLF CLUB

PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA

Natural Region: Southern Coastal Plain

Watershed: St. Andrew - St. Joseph Bays

Opened for play on March 9, 2002, Shark[®] Tooth Golf Club is a Greg Norman-designed 18 hole private golf course located within the 734 acre Planned Unit Development and gated community called Wild Heron west of Panama City Beach near the Bay County/ Walton County line in Florida. The southern boundary of the property sets on Lake Powell, a 737 acre Outstanding Florida Water recognized as the largest coastal dune lake in the state of Florida. When the dunes are breached by either the lake or the Gulf of Mexico, Lake Powell becomes part fresh water and brackish water providing a unique environment for a distinct aquatic ecosystem with fish species such as speckled trout, redfish, and flounder. The Wild Heron development follows 3.5 miles of shoreline along Lake Powell and features 206 acres designated as preserved wetlands and uplands, and 170 acres designated for the golf course corridor. Prominent vegetation includes live oak, sand pine, loblolly pine, and palmetto. The project was designated as a Certified Silver Signature Sanctuary on October 24, 2002.



The littoral zone of Lake Powell is dominated by saltmarsh species, including black needlebush, smooth cordgrass, and sedges. These grasses provide excellent filtration for storm water runoff from the golf course.