

Aylesford Course – Hole-by-Hole Guide

Par 69 | Parkland | Accuracy-first test

Shorter than the Arden but no less demanding, Aylesford rewards precision from the tee, smart positioning into greens and confident putting on lively surfaces. Tight corridors, well-placed bunkering and subtle slopes mean course management is key.

1 – Par 4

A gentle opening hole that encourages a confident start. A straight tee shot is rewarded, opening up a clear approach to a receptive green. Position off the tee is more important than distance.

Pro Tip: Take one less club from the tee than you think — the priority is finding the fairway and starting the round with a stress-free par.

2 – Par 4

One of the longer par 4s on the front nine. Accuracy from the tee is vital with trees narrowing the landing area. A solid second shot is required to find the green and secure par.

Pro Tip: Favour the widest part of the fairway off the tee; even a slightly longer approach is better than playing from the trees.

3 – Par 5

A true scoring opportunity for longer hitters, but trouble awaits the overly aggressive. Sensible positioning for your second shot will leave the best angle into the green.

Pro Tip: If laying up, leave yourself a full wedge distance — the green is more receptive from height than a half shot.

4 – Par 3

A mid-length par 3 that demands commitment to your club choice. The green is well protected, so accuracy is essential to avoid a tricky up-and-down.

Pro Tip: Pick a precise target and commit fully — indecision here often leads to a miss short.

5 – Par 4

Short and tempting, this hole invites aggression from the tee. However, laying back for position often provides a simpler approach into a subtly sloping green.

Pro Tip: A controlled tee shot to the corner sets up the best angle — driver is rarely required.

6 – Par 3

A short par 3 that looks straightforward on the card. Don't be deceived — precise distance control is key to avoid testing bunker shots.

Pro Tip: Focus on distance rather than pin-seeking; the middle of the green is a very good result.

7 – Par 4

Tighter than it appears, this hole rewards a controlled tee shot. Finding the fairway sets up a manageable approach and a realistic birdie chance.

Pro Tip: Shape your tee shot to suit your eye — keeping the ball in play is more important than gaining extra yards.

8 – Par 4

Another short par 4 where strategy trumps power. Shape your tee shot to open up the green and keep your approach below the hole.

Pro Tip: Resist the temptation to attack — smart placement off the tee makes this hole far easier.

9 – Par 4

The toughest hole on the front nine. A demanding tee shot followed by a longer approach makes par a very good result before the turn.

Pro Tip: Play this as a three-shot hole if needed — bogey avoided here often gains shots on the field.

Out – Par 35

10 – Par 3

A neat par 3 to begin the back nine. A confident strike is required, with subtle green contours ready to punish anything slightly offline.

Pro Tip: Trust your yardage — short-siding yourself here makes par extremely difficult.

11 – Par 4

A strong par 4 that places emphasis on finding the fairway. Positioning off the tee makes the approach considerably more manageable.

Pro Tip: Take the safer line from the tee and accept a longer second — the green rewards shots played in from the fairway.

12 – Par 3

One of the more testing par 3s on the course. Length and accuracy are required, with little margin for error around the green.

Pro Tip: Commit to the shot and favour the centre of the green — par here feels like a birdie.

13 – Par 4

Stroke index 1 and a genuine challenge. A solid drive is essential, followed by a precise approach into a well-guarded green.

Pro Tip: Avoid forcing the drive — accuracy off the tee sets up the best chance of escaping with par.

14 – Par 4

A balanced hole that rewards commitment from the tee. A good drive sets up a mid-iron approach to a green that demands careful reading.

Pro Tip: Leave the ball below the hole if possible — putting from above can be very quick.

15 – Par 4

Plays longer than the yardage suggests. Avoid trouble off the tee and favour accuracy over power to give yourself the best chance of par.

Pro Tip: Take an extra club into the green — shots often play longer than expected here.

16 – Par 3

A shorter par 3 that requires accuracy rather than length. Miss the green and par becomes far from guaranteed.

Pro Tip: Pick a conservative target and make a smooth swing — this is a classic ‘take your par and move on’ hole.

17 – Par 4

A well-designed hole that tempts players to be aggressive. Keep the ball in play off the tee and take advantage of a birdie opportunity.

Pro Tip: Position over power — a fairway wood or hybrid can be the smart play here.

18 – Par 5

A strong and memorable finishing hole. Reachable in two for the bold, but risk lurks near the green. Sensible course management can set up a final-hole birdie.

Pro Tip: If going for the green, commit fully; otherwise, lay up to your favourite yardage and back your wedge game.

In – Par 34 | Total – Par 69

Aylesford Course Strategy

- Accuracy off the tee is rewarded throughout.
- Several short par 4s offer birdie chances if approached sensibly.
- Greens are lively with subtle slopes — strong putting is essential.

Aylesford is a thinking golfer’s course, where smart decisions and precise execution consistently outperform raw power.