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Escalante Golf Announces Acquisition of The Gallery Golf Club in Marana, Arizona

(FORT WORTH, Texas) – Escalante Golf, a boutique owner and operator of unique golf assets, is excited to announce that it has acquired The Gallery Golf Club, one of the premier clubs in Arizona. Located in Marana, Arizona, The Gallery is the perfect complement to Escalante’s other club in Marana, The Golf Club at Dove Mountain.

“The Gallery Golf Club is truly a special place and its members have been incredibly supportive throughout this process. We strongly believe that the Club will thrive as wholly private and become one of the most sought after experiences in Arizona. It has all the components of a first-class club, beginning with an excellent membership, two championship courses and one of the best sports clubs in the state,” said David McDonald, President of Escalante Golf.

Escalante Golf will work with the membership as it transitions into a fully private club model. Both courses will be closed to non-member play with the only outside access coming from limited guest play from the nearby Ritz Carlton hotel. The Gallery will also offer a dining membership option for all Tucson residents to enjoy the Club’s multiple dining options.

Opened in 1988, The Gallery Golf Club boasts two of the most acclaimed and highly rated championship courses in Arizona. The South Course, designed by John Fought, hosted the 2007 and 2008 Accenture World Match Play Championship won by Henrik Stenson and Tiger Woods respectively. The North Course, a collaboration between John Fought and Tom Lehman, opened as the number one ranked course in Southwest Arizona by *Golf Digest* and is acknowledged as one of *Golfweek’s* Top 100 Modern Courses. The North Course offers sweeping views of the high Sonoran desert and co-hosted the 2001 PGA Tour’s Tucson Open and the 2014 PAC 12 Men’s Championship.

In addition to championship golf, The Gallery is home to one of the largest sports clubs in the state. The Gallery Sports Club offers more than 40 weekly group classes, a fully equipped cardio studio, state-of-the-art weight machines, and free weights. In addition, there are outdoor tennis and pickle ball courts, as well as lighted basketball and volleyball courts. The Gallery Sports Club also has a large lap pool and offers certified Titleist Performance Institute (TPI) training to its members.

“Above all, we are most excited about how the membership has embraced our team and support the decision to go fully private. We met with hundreds of members throughout this process to gather their input so that we could develop a strategy to properly position the Club for long-term success. It is an incredible honor to be stewards of such a wonderful club and we are all looking forward to establishing The Gallery as the premier private club in Tucson,” said McDonald.

Escalante Golf acquired the club from the original developer and will immediately make the club entirely private. Escalante worked closely with Art Powell who represented the MacMillan family through the transaction. Jeff Woolson, Managing Director of CBRE's Golf and Resort Group, acted as broker on the transaction.

"The MacMillan family created something truly special by developing The Gallery and the surrounding real estate. It was a pleasure working with the family and their representatives throughout this process. Our goal is to continue the legacy that they created," said McDonald.

About Escalante Golf

Founded in 1991, Escalante Golf is a boutique owner and operator of luxury golf properties across nine states. The Fort Worth, Texas-based company has quietly assembled an impressive collection of exclusive clubs in key markets that have hosted several prestigious amateur and professional golf tournaments including the U.S. Mid-Amateur Golf Championship, the Charles Schwab Cup, the WGC Match Play Championship, the WinCo Foods Portland Open and the Shell Houston Open. Operating partners David McDonald, Elcio Silva, Robert Silva and David Matheson direct the Escalante team.

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