

Travel & Lodging Guide

Prepared for the Africa University Inaugural Wespeth Sponsored – Bishop Leonard Fairley Golf Invitational

Destination Overview

Orangeburg, South Carolina

Orangeburg is located about 40 minutes south of Columbia and 1.5 hours northwest of Charleston. It offers a blend of Southern hospitality, quiet charm, and accessibility — making it ideal for weekend travel and destination events.

Event Location:

Orangeburg Country Club

2745 Griffith Dr NW, Orangeburg, SC 29118

<https://www.orangeburgcc.com/golf>

Travel Recommendations

Airports

- Columbia Metropolitan Airport (CAE) – 45 minutes (recommended)
- Charleston International Airport (CHS) – 1 hour 30 minutes
- Charlotte Douglas International Airport (CLT) – 2.5 hours

We recommend flying into CAE for the closest access and easiest drive to Orangeburg.

Ground Transportation

- Rental Cars available at all airports
- Ride-share services (Uber/Lyft) may be limited in Orangeburg
- Parking is available on-site at Orangeburg Country Club

Lodging Options

We encourage attendees to book early to ensure availability during this popular fall weekend.

Hotel	Distance	Notes
Hampton Inn & Suites – Orangeburg	10 min	Clean, reliable chain with breakfast
Fairfield Inn by Marriott – Orangeburg	10 min	Recently renovated; group-friendly
Tru by Hilton – Orangeburg	12 min	Modern, budget-friendly
Holiday Inn Express & Suites – Orangeburg	10 min	Solid choice with meeting rooms
Southern Lodge	10 min	Local boutique-style property

17 Weekend Schedule Summary

Sunday, September 28, 2025

- Morning: Arrival & hotel check-in
- 1:00 PM – Worship Service & Luncheon at Edisto Fork UMC
- Evening: Free time & dinner on your own

Monday, September 29, 2025 – Tournament Day (at Orangeburg Country Club)

- 7:15 AM – Check-in & Breakfast
- 8:15 AM – Welcome & Announcements
- 8:30 AM – Shotgun Start (Scramble Format)
- 1:30 PM – Scorecard Turn-In
- 2:00 PM – Lunch & Awards Ceremony

What to Pack

- Golf attire (collared shirts, golf shoes, hats/visors)
- Comfortable clothes for Sunday luncheon
- Rain jacket or windbreaker
- Sunscreen & bug spray
- Business cards if networking or sponsoring

Area Attractions (Optional)

- Edisto Memorial Gardens – Local beauty and historical interest
- SC State Museum – Columbia-based for early arrivals
- Downtown Orangeburg – Local shops and eateries

Contacts & Help

If you have travel-related questions or lodging issues, please contact the event coordination team via the EventCaddy Contact Page:

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