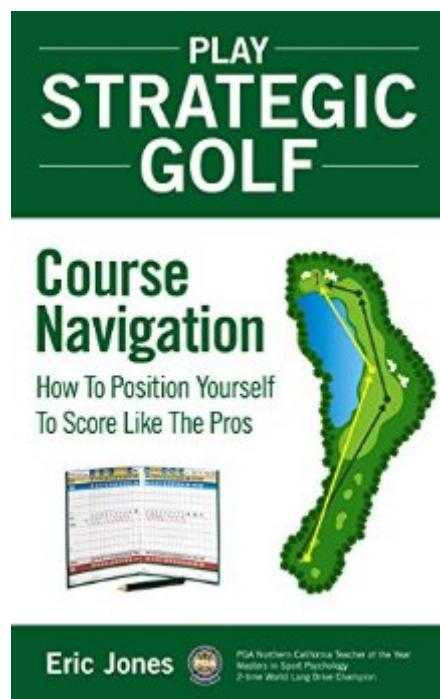


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# Play Strategic Golf: Course Navigation: How To Position Yourself To Score Like The Pros



## Synopsis

If you want to score you need to learn to do what scorers do: get the ball in the hole in fewer strokes. Course Navigation will give you what's been missing from your golf game: a better way to play golf by using Tour-tested course management strategies and scoring techniques. This book is different because it will show you how to lower your score by understanding how to read a golf hole, how to identify opportunities, how to size up risks, and how to play the percentages to get the most out of your game. This is the antidote to the tips that don't help your golf game and to our excessive focus on fixing swing mechanics. Whether you are a 30-handicapper or a 3, the easy-to-learn and easy-to-use principles in Course Navigation can literally transform your game and put you in better positions to score, without having to make a single swing change. Filled with practical examples, illustrations and anecdotes Course Navigation will give you the solid strategic foundation every player needs for a consistent golf game. You'll see the course in a new way. You'll look at green complexes with new understanding. You'll recognize how features like bunkers, trees, water, mounds, swales, slopes, and rough are used to defend the hole against your attack, and you'll know how to handle them. You'll approach your shots and your strategy with more confidence. You'll learn:

- Why the strategy for your current shot should be to make the next shot easier, and how it makes your entire round more fun;
- How playing the hole backwards helps you identify the best angles, landing areas, and club selection to maximize your scoring opportunities;
- Which pins to attack, and when the middle of the green is the best option;
- How to identify the natural path of a hole, including the defenses and soft spots, so that you can always play from a position of strength;
- Why picking specific targets will help you select the right club more often and allow you to swing away with confidence;
- Strategy from a Hall of Fame baseball pitcher to deal with the toughest holes on the course.

The benefits of good course management are undisputed. This book will give you the tools and techniques you need to get started playing better, smarter golf. Course Navigation is exactly what you need to take advantage of the greatest weapon you bring to the course - your mind.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I've just bought it and read it in one day. The approach of knowing your carry / roll and total distance is key and well stressed in the book. I also really liked the management of the angle of aiming toward the green and to correctly place your ball on the tee box. These "simple" things helped me to birdie the 18th hole of my home course yesterday by just thinking about the placement of the ball, was a great way to finish :-) The book is extremely affordable and worth it. BW, hcp 10-12

Always heard TV announcers talking about "ideal landing areas" "short siding" and "staying patient"... never realized what all that meant until I read this book! Great explanations of hole design (from both the course architect AND player's point of views). Translated a hole's weaknesses and strengths and the best way to navigate them. I've not looked (or played) a golf course since then the same way. I now understand the way the hole was 'meant' to be played and what shots are needed. 2-3 stroke improvement alone with no other changes... Recommend for any and all golfers!

I didn't find this book helpful at all. It was a lot of "fluff" and didn't contain much helpful information, and read more like a commercial for the books that follow. I was really disappointed. Good thing it didn't cost me much. Take the money you were thinking about spending here and purchase Ramon Floyd's The elements of scoring!

Highly recommend this book written by Eric Jones, he has been my instructor and his ability to communicate not only swing thoughts, but strategic golf concepts is excellent!! Of all instructors I

have had over the years by far Eric is the best, primarily due to his communication skills creating mental imagery to help the learner better understand how to improve! The book play Strategic Golf provides course navigation ideas to help any level golfer manage their way around each hole and the entire course! The book provides loads of great suggestions and pictorial layouts to show you the "how to". For anyone looking to improve their game, this book is a must read, it is short, easy to understand and provides great concepts everyone can use on any golf course to improve their scoring!

Author clearly explains the strategies. In addition, he gives simple tips like the fact that the pin placement is often rotate red, white, blue and then repeating. Useful if course doesn't post pin placements each day.

Fantastic tool for lower scores! Eric is among the best PGA Professional instructors out there. He once again has penned a timely, powerful instructional tool that is easy to read, exciting to follow and WILL produce lower scores. After my first read through of "Play Strategic Golf..." I applied key principles, that were clearly and concisely presented in the book, during my next round at my home course. Wow...the course played for me like a new course! I shot my all time lowest score, which was six shots better than my average score. Anyone who loves this game should have this book on hand. R Bright

ok as far as it goes but it dos not go very far - don't take a club that puts the hazard within range and tee it up on the same side as the hazard - nothing you won't find in a general golf book - has lots of references to Eric's site and many of his other products. Not a waste of money but not great value.

It's hard to believe how much this book helped me adopt a strategic view of golf courses in such a short period of time. I now have a framework, or a way to organize information in my head into three "buckets". The idea that each course is a competition like a chess game between me and the course designer somehow clicked inside me, and I've started looking at course layouts with new strategic interest and insight I didn't know I possessed. The author illustrates the concepts with examples from teaching his students on the course, and I could imagine myself with them, falling into the same traps, racking up a double bogey or higher. Alignment off the tee box is important, and the story of Charles's "Chuck Stop" comes to mind every time I tee off now. Great parable about how tough courses are designed to throw off your perceptions. Books by other authors provide a lot

of strategic rules of thumb for lowering scores, but I needed something more | I needed more of a background on golf course architecture and why rules of thumb are so valuable. This highly detailed but readable and short book provided just what I needed.

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