

# JEBEL ALI GOLF RESORT

## POSTING PAR HERE IS NO CINCH

If you've played the testy nine-holder at Jebel Ali Golf Resort before, you'll appreciate the need for accuracy off the tee.

You'll also know how challenging the fourth hole is on the Peter Harradine-designed, par-36 layout which opened in 1998.

For you'll need more than just a flushed drive to escape this intimidating par four, 435 yards off the tips, unscathed. The approach requires a crispy struck mid-to-long iron over

the freshwater lake that comes into play on four other holes, and even then you may be left with a testing lag putt.

Elliot Rowe, the newly appointed assistant golf operations manager at Jebel Ali, offers advice on tackling this potential card-wrecker in the continuation of our series designed to help you combat the Middle East's toughest holes.

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### Tee Shot

With out of bounds to the left and a tall tree line down the right this tee shot offers very little forgiveness. The preferred line would be down the left side of the fairway to avoid being blocked out by trees down the right side.



### Approach Shot

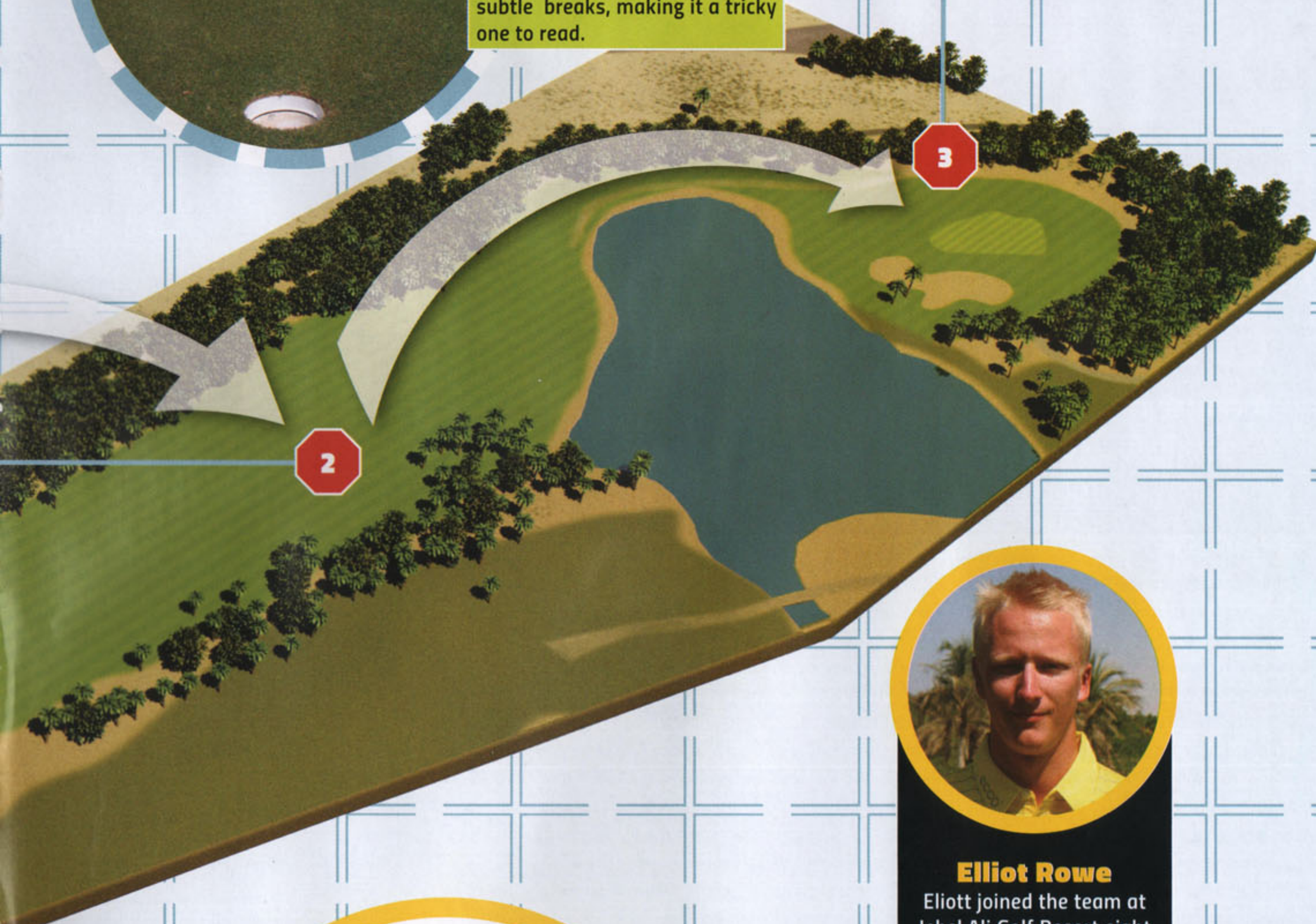
A tough shot and long carry over water, with trouble still remaining up the left side. Normally played with a long iron or wood and made all the more difficult by having a small target protected by a bunker to the right of the putting surface.





**Putting**

A relatively small and flat putting surface which, to the naked eye, offers little cause for concern. But it is filled with plenty of subtle breaks, making it a tricky one to read.



**Elliot Rowe**

Elliott joined the team at Jebel Ali Golf Resort eight months ago after several years out of the game. The 24-year-old, Assistant Golf Operations Manager, is from Shrewsbury, England and is loving being back in the industry.



**THE BAIL OUT OPTION**

With the approach shot being over water and normally from a long distance, many golfers may feel more comfortable laying up short of the lake and leaving themselves with a shot of a little over 100 yards instead.