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Audubon International, with support from the PGA of America and the USGA, has launched the Audubon Green Golfer program, which asks golfers to take the “Green Golfer Pledge.” Taylor-Made—adidas and 13 courses already have signed on.

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