

# Hole of the

▶ Hole No. 13 | Mira Vista Country Club | Fort Worth, Texas





# Month

## Hole Stats

Distance: 417 yards

Par 4

## The Turf

Green: *Tifeagle*

Fairway: *Tifway 419*  
*Bermudagrass*

The scenic 150-foot elevation changes, four gleaming lakes and Trinity River at Mira Vista Country Club are a stunning blend of course architect, Jay Morrish's, appreciation of nature's role in the game, and professional golfer Tom Weiskoph's grasp on the mental and physical skill required to beat a course.

Mira Vista provokes players through risk-reward shots and traditional challenges. "There are severely tree lined and open holes," said course superintendent, Mike Epps,

who has worked at the club since 2003. "The diversity keeps players intensely engaged."

A considerable course challenge is Hole No. 13. A fairway slope helps to direct the tee shot toward aiming bunkers, whereas a second shot must travel uphill to a three-level green.

"It's a well-designed, challenging hole, but it's fair," Epps said. "It rewards thoughtful players."

For Epps and his maintenance crew of 28, achieving successful pest control on 22-year-old greens is crucial in helping the club attain its goal of hosting another USGA Championship in the coming decade.

"Our crew's goal is to offer quality on a daily basis," Epps said. "For the past two years we've been able to get consistent, reliable control players need on putting surfaces using Insignia® fungicide to treat fairy ring disease."

Epps uses Insignia at 0.4 oz. per 1,000 square feet to prevent fairy ring's dark, delineating rings from appearing on greens. For breakouts, Epps turns to the label rate for curative control.

"Insignia works nicely in our spring and fall programs," said Epps. "Because of the economical application rate and price, I am able to apply it on every putting surface—I'm hooked."

Epps educates and engages members in behind-the-scenes looks at healthy turf.

"I tell members that if they ride the course with me, I'll buy the coffee," he said. "It shows them there's more to growing turf than pushing a mower—it's the people that create results."

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