

What's New



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compacted muck off it then it will mind itself. Even pet mess is not a problem and kids mess even less of a problem. No grass cutting or weeding, just give it a brush and a roll and away you go. The first green they did is now 7 years old and still rolls as good as the day it went down.

I think that given the amount of use this kind of thing would get, especially in the summer and if you weigh up the fact that there are so few good short game practice areas, this kind of an investment is probably the best you would ever make. Drop in the fact that it will look stunning all the time and is virtually maintenance-free it makes perfect sense. I think I have found the only real solution to absolutely solve your short game problems.

The typical size green in a normal house is about 750 square feet and Tour Greens Europe has done greens for McElroy, Poulter, Damien McGrane, Jimenez and a host of other professional golfers. McElroy's green is 1,400 square feet and extends down the side of his parents' house with not a blade of grass to cut. Lawnmower for sale, one very successful owner now on Tour, genuine reason for sale-have no grass!!

A typical 850 square foot green would cost roughly 18,000 euros and would take 3 guys about 2 weeks to build from turn of sod to putting for dough. Here is some idea of what your cash buys you. This green is in the back garden of a guy in Malahide. Paths and fencing are extra but what a beautiful finished look this has, doesn't it make you just want to putt!! Tony Hynes is the main guy behind the company and he runs a really good ship. Tony relies on a great sense of each project and he puts real heart into each green and every installation has real imagination. These guys are not just a synthetic greens company, they are dreamers and creators and you can see this in the work they do. This is an art form and with this kind of investment, Tony, Tim and the guys want to get it just right, again.

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Magic Therapy

I came across this little device roughly a year ago and decided to do a piece on it as The Golf Stig has been suffering with a hefty dose of tendonitis of late and has had it all of this year. Probably a war wound from his days spent shooting arrows, he is a fantastic bowman. He has been suffering with a right arm pain that goes from his elbow down into his wrist and index finger and is very sore before and after a round. He particularly noticed it after the first 6 or 8 strikes in his round. It is a dull sort of pain and is more uncomfortable than searing.

I have had the Woosie Superstim Pro on board the Tour Truck for players to use and I hooked up the Stig to it. This handy little unit uses a Tens therapy to block the pain signals to the brain a bit like the same process for women in labour so is very safe and trusted. The unit also uses EMS which is another type of electric pulse to speed up the natural healing process of the damaged and weakened muscle. Basically it reduces the pain and heals all at the same time.

The Stig is not easily impressed and he is now a complete convert to the benefits of this little magic box. He now wears it around the house in the evenings as it is so light and portable. He has found it great at reducing the pain and notices a quicker recovery time after golf and is virtually pain free.

Ian Woosnam is fully behind this little box and uses it a lot to ease his back and knee trouble. He has even lent his famous nickname to it.

I already promote this unit on our truck and especially now that The Stig is finding uses for it I think that if you suffer from any sort of pain and would like a non-drug solution, you should drop John an e-mail through the website www.eastcoastinternational.ie to get some more information and tell him that The Golf Stig from Golf Digest sent you!!

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