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## A Rockwellian Lifestyle at Silo Ridge

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How quickly COVID-19 has suspended the activities we once took for granted. But, on a more positive note, families have been spending more time together, to the point where having neighbors you know in a close-knit, private community is a welcomed peace of mind.

One of those closely knit communities is Silo Ridge, the members-only property in the Hudson Valley that brings back a Rockwellian nostalgia, complete with luxury service and amenities.



Silo Ridge is a gated, owners-only community that features 245 residences on 850 acres and an 18-hole Tom Fazio–designed golf course, a world-class equestrian center, an outdoor theater, a field house, an organic community garden and spa, and stellar facilities to swim, play tennis, and basketball.



Emerging in the Hudson Valley region of New York, 90 minutes from New York City, Silo Ridge is Discovery Land Company's first foray in the Northeast. The community sits among rolling hills, horse farms, wineries, and top prep schools. (Discovery Land Company has recently opened luxury communities in Austin and Nashville, in addition to the just-opened Silo Ridge.)

Discovery Land Company is a real estate development firm specializing in the creation of world-class golf and residential communities. Its core philosophy is to enhance the natural character and spirit of each property, in order to provide its members with a unique lifestyle experience. Guided by these ideals, Discovery Land Company has become one of the country's preeminent recreation and residential developers with successful, high-profile communities in North America, The Bahamas, and Mexico.

Membership is offered to property owners only, creating a real community among neighbors. Members must buy land and build a residence; condominiums and pre-designed, customizable homes provide members with a wide range of options. The exclusive Discovery Land Company communities are distinct, with their own architectural styles, world-class luxury amenities, and high levels of service.



Discovery has highly acclaimed golf courses, which follow the philosophy of integrating the course into the natural landscape, with the help of the best golf course architects in the world, including Jack Nicklaus and Tom Fazio.

Mike Meldman, founder, CEO and Chairman of Discovery Land Company, is a Milwaukee native with a Stanford degree. "I did a lot of things unconventional to golf, mainly to inspire more interest in the game and to reduce the intimidation factor." For example, he says, "you don't have to wear a collared shirt in our golf course, and you can golf barefoot."

Meldman says, "These are places for people who have had great success and they reward themselves with investing in their families."

The vertical, private equity membership structure and residential lots that have been carved from their natural environments in a restrained manner, are among the defining tenets of Discovery Land Company properties. A 40,000-square-foot lodge clubhouse will serve as the heart of the resort-style community, featuring a fitness center with state-of-the-art spa and members boutique.

"There is nothing like this in this part of the country," says Meldman, who is driven by the preservation of pristine natural environments, contiguous open space and the desire to create intimate communities that cater to families. "We are utilizing the Discovery imprint to create a truly unique community that builds upon the strong tradition and rich lifestyle of the area, which is really based on the simple things life has to offer: friends, family, great food, and lots of fun activities."

At Silo Ridge, the essence of sportsmanship is ingrained in the landscape. You can feel the anticipation before a hunt, the bond between an equestrian and his horse, the joy of children learning the importance of teamwork. It's a special place where it's easy to create new family traditions around the spirit of friendly recreation.

