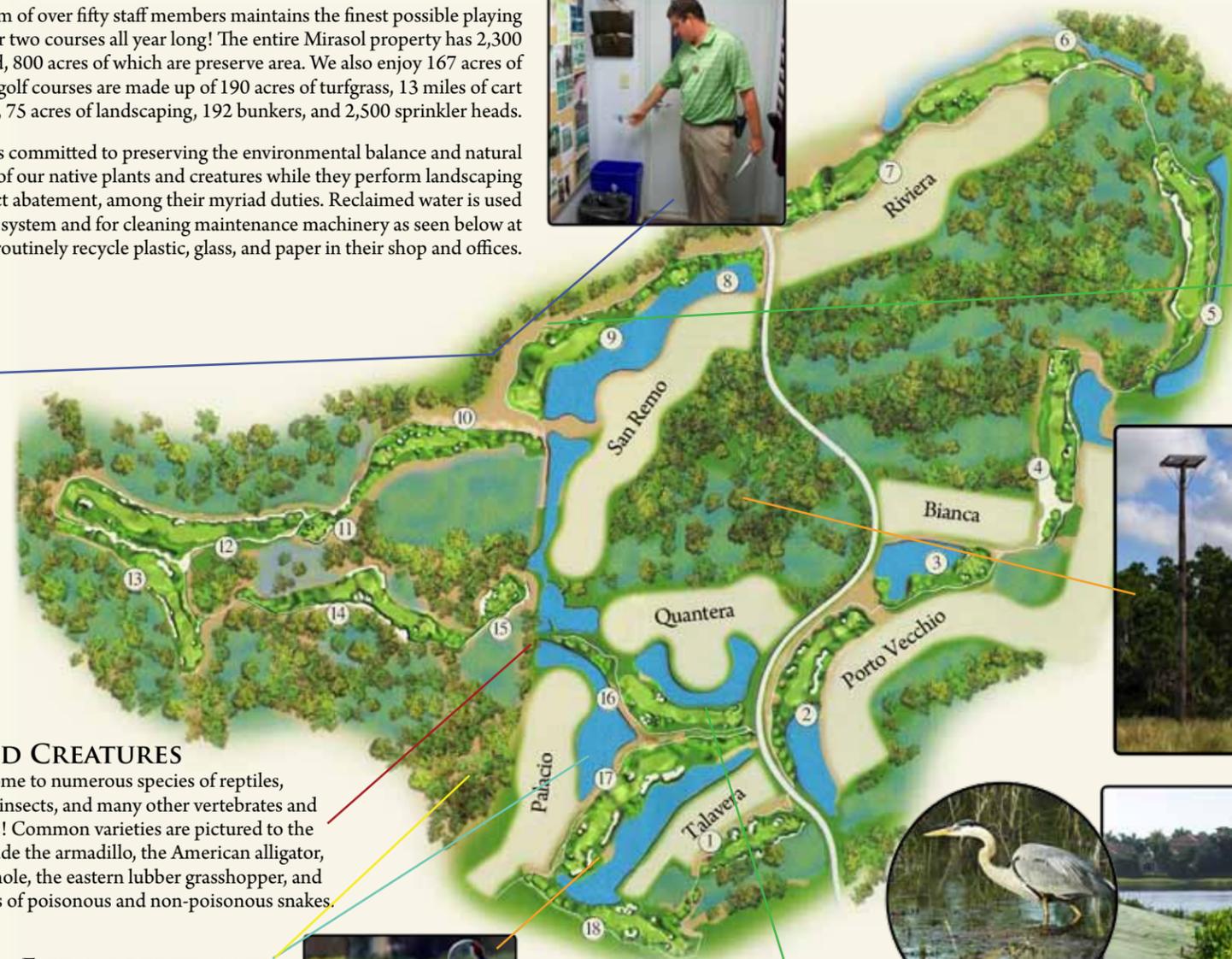


# THE COUNTRY CLUB AT MIRASOL AN AUDUBON COOPERATIVE SANCTUARY SUNRISE COURSE

## GOLF COURSE MAINTENANCE CENTER

Our talented team of over fifty staff members maintains the finest possible playing conditions on our two courses all year long! The entire Mirasol property has 2,300 acres of land, 800 acres of which are preserve area. We also enjoy 167 acres of water, and our golf courses are made up of 190 acres of turfgrass, 13 miles of cart paths, 75 acres of landscaping, 192 bunkers, and 2,500 sprinkler heads.

Our team is committed to preserving the environmental balance and natural habitat of all of our native plants and creatures while they perform landscaping tasks and insect abatement, among their myriad duties. Reclaimed water is used for our irrigation system and for cleaning maintenance machinery as seen below at the left and they routinely recycle plastic, glass, and paper in their shop and offices.



## VEGETABLE GARDEN

The commitment to reducing our footprint is an ongoing endeavor pursued not only by our Golf Course Maintenance staff, led by Director Michael Thomas, but also our Executive Chef Michael Crain! Michael and Chef Michael began summer and winter gardening in 2011, in order to provide the most vitamin-packed and best tasting herbs and vegetables for our membership to enjoy all year long.



## GROUND CREATURES

Mirasol is home to numerous species of reptile, amphibians, insects, and many other vertebrates and invertebrates! Common varieties are pictured to the left and include the armadillo, the American alligator, the brown anole, the eastern lubber grasshopper, and various types of poisonous and non-poisonous snakes.



## ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES

One of the most prominent species of bird at Mirasol is the endangered Florida sandhill crane (pictured). Other Mirasol "residents" on the threatened list include the brown pelican, the snowy egret, the white ibis, the roseate spoonbill, the little blue heron, the plover, and the wood stork (pictured).



## NESTING

All different species of local birds call our countless numbers of trees home, and we have erected a special post just for our ospreys! These beautiful fish-eating birds of prey like high perches like this one and we were happy to oblige!



## LAKE BANKS AND PRESERVE AREA

Shelters and food sources are in abundance at Mirasol, due to our preserve areas and native vegetation at our lake banks. Many animals and birds take advantage of the safety and privacy of these dense, lush areas to spawn and they raise their young peacefully on our many acres of property. Our membership respects and appreciates the beauty of these creatures and their importance to our community.



LEGEND	
<span style="color: green;">■</span> Plants	<span style="color: orange;">■</span> Birds
<span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Animals	<span style="color: blue;">■</span> Recycling
<span style="color: cyan;">■</span> Fish	<span style="color: red;">■</span> Other

Most groups can be found all around our courses. The most common locations for each category are indicated with a line.

