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Tap-ins and lip-outs

▶ ▶ The Forecaddie recently got a chance to play the highly touted **Sebonack Golf Club** in Southampton, N.Y. The course isn't set to open until June 2006, but that didn't stop The Man Out Front, who came away mightily impressed. With adjoining neighbors such as **National Golf Links of America** and **Shinnecock Hills Golf Club**, Sebonack is starting out in pretty heady company. Add to that the unusual design team of **Jack Nicklaus** and **Tom Doak** (imagine those conversations!) and you have some intense expectations to meet. Of course it helps having waterfront holes on Great Peconic Bay and firm, links-like turf. The Forecaddie spent a lot of time figuring out which features were Nicklaus' and which were Doak's – and came away convinced it was a true collaboration. Next up for the Man Out Front: Figuring how to join. Initiation fee is rumored to be solidly in the middle six figures. It is, after all, the Hamptons.