The Classic Sanctuary Program

What Is the Classic Sanctuary Program?
The exclusive Classic Sanctuary Program is an environmental education and certification program for existing properties who are undertaking any type of redevelopment, renovation, or master plan of any size. The Classic Sanctuary Program takes an approach that is flexible and adaptable to almost any type of property, including redevelopment or restoration projects, in any country.

Who Should Consider Enrolling in the Classic Sanctuary Program?
Property owners and managers of existing land uses that are interested in joining a program of similar rigor to our Signature Program are encouraged to enroll in the Classic Sanctuary Program. Properties or projects of any type undergoing redevelopment or restoration while maintaining the same use, or projects that are too far along into construction for membership in the Signature Sanctuary Program may also consider enrolling. This is also an opportunity for an ACSP for Golf member to enhance their certification to a more exclusive program. The program is also open to projects and individuals interested in recognition for environmental stewardship for a completed project they believe will meet standards for operation and maintenance.

What is Involved in the Classic Sanctuary Program?
Members must meet minimum program requirements, plus any additional site-specific requirements identified by Audubon International. In the process of seeking certification, members host a site visit, submit monthly project progress reports, and implement a Classic Sanctuary Program Management Plan developed by qualified environmental consultants as well as meet standards equivalent to the Signature Program for maintenance facilities. Certification is also subject to passing a final on-site audit of the property. Recertification takes place every three years and includes an on-site environmental audit.

What is the cost?
$4,500 to register which includes two site visits (excluding expenses), AI labor through certification, and first year membership fee. There is a $500 membership fee each year thereafter and an $800 recertification site visit fee every three years.

Osprey Point Golf Course, Boca Raton, Florida
“Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department is honored to be part of a leading group of golf course operators dedicated to preserving and promoting the environment. With the support of Palm Beach County Commissioners and Administrators, the facility development team and County staff and contractors have done a tremendous job pursuing and obtaining certification in Audubon International’s Classic Program.” - Paul Connell, Golf Operations Super

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