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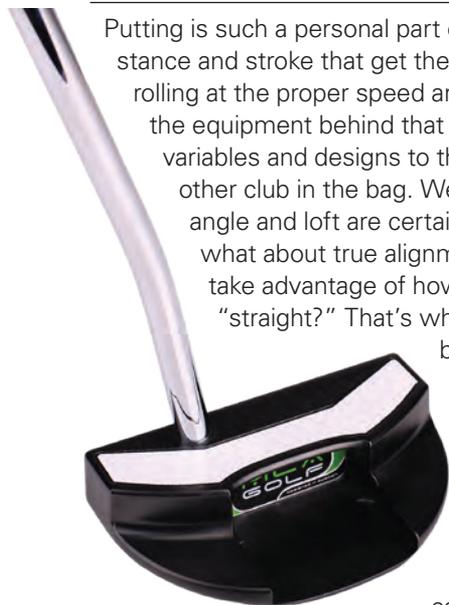
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● **MLA PUTTERS**



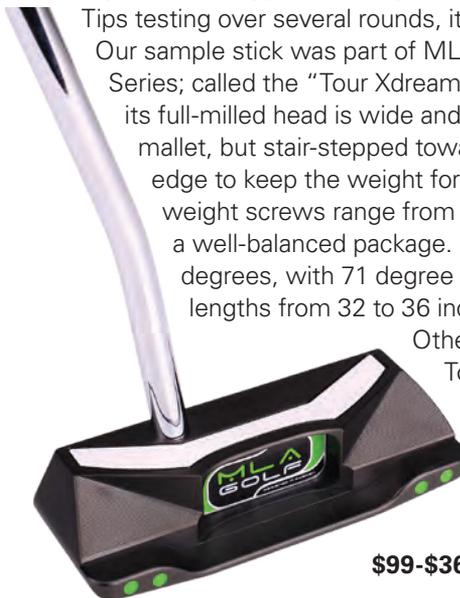
Putting is such a personal part of the game — any stance and stroke that get the ball on line and rolling at the proper speed are truly legit — that the equipment behind that stroke brings more variables and designs to the table than any other club in the bag. Weight, length, lie angle and loft are certainly important, but what about true alignment features that take advantage of how the brain sees “straight?” That’s what the Switzerland-

based MLA Golf’s series of flat sticks are all about thanks to a scientifically vetted and tested system the company calls “Multiple Line-detector Activation”

technology, or MLA. They worked with Dr. Lennart Högman, who has studied the perceptual process for more than 20 years, analyzing sensory information that control pace and direction of putts — that mysterious cocktail of perception and motor skills. MLA putters are designed to take advantage of these guides by boiling down the 100,000 or so line detectors in the human brain to four harmonious

“lines” on the putterhead: At the top and bottom edges and at spots one-third of the way across the top. There are no lines directly behind the point of contact, as with most putters, though there is a tiny dot that’s nearly imperceptible at address; instead, those four lines converge in the mind, “activating the maximum number of coordinated detectors,” eliminating optical illusions and freeing the subconscious to simply “sense” the proper line. It’s the “just get out the way and let it happen” concept, and based on Golf

Tips testing over several rounds, it works beautifully. Our sample stick was part of MLA’s Limited Edition Series; called the “Tour Xdream Black Edition,” its full-milled head is wide and deep like a large mallet, but stair-stepped toward the trailing edge to keep the weight forward (included weight screws range from 5 to 15 grams). It’s a well-balanced package. Standard loft is 2.5 degrees, with 71 degree lie at address; shaft lengths from 32 to 36 inches are available.



Other models include Tour Blade, Pro Series and Target Series, each with two to four models to choose from.

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● **COPPER TECH PLUS GOLF GLOVE**



This one-size-fits-all copper-infused compression glove, which debuted a couple years ago at the PGA Merchandise Show, has picked up steam in the marketplace ever since. Many golfers, especially those of a certain, uh,

seasoned age, nurse hand pain due to arthritis or just beating lots of balls on the range and playing as many rounds as humanly possible (worthy goals for all of us). Made for both men and women, Copper Tech gloves are engineered with a non-slip patent-pending spider weave silicon technology which reduces wear and allows golfers to grip the club with less tension

while improving slip resistance, even in wet conditions. Of course, the glove’s coup de grace is its copper-infused technology that is proven to help soothe joint and muscle pain while helping to relieve pain in arthritic hands. Golf Tips has put Copper Tech to the test over the summer months and realized not only a reduction in spates of hand pain — the kind that will wake you up in the middle of the night — but great contact between glove and grip, even in muggy or damp conditions. This glove retains its shape, doesn’t build up odor, doesn’t stain ... in short, it’s a healthy handful of pain-free performance.



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